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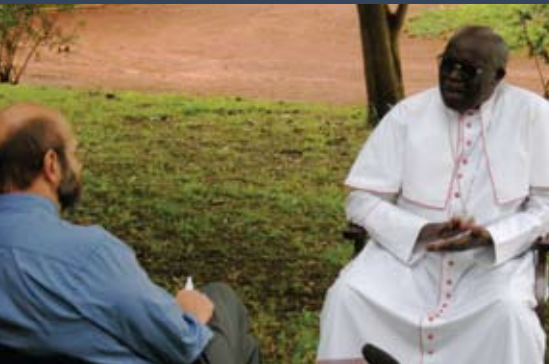
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HELEN CHOLAKIS

## Editor's LETTER

In this issue of The Journal, we focus on UWinnipeg alumni around the world, looking at their leadership, creativity, innovation, and action across a variety of disciplines and range of endeavors.

The Alumni Affairs team is always interested to hear about the ways in which our alumni were shaped by their time at the University. They often tell us that as students, they formed a relationship, shared an idea, or participated in a discussion that inspired them to research, explore, develop, and make decisions.

The University has much to offer alumni as well. Please visit

UWinnipeg.ca and click on the upcoming events calendar to keep up with what's happening on campus, and plan to visit the University at least once this year – for a Virtuosi concert, a public lecture or panel discussion, a Wesmen game, a visit to Gallery 1C03, a trip to the library, or Homecoming 2009. Contact the Alumni Affairs office for your alumni card, which doubles as a UWinnipeg library card and also entitles you to campus discounts.

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Helen Cholakis (BA '93)  
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ANNAMARIA TOPPAZZINI

## Strategic Initiatives Development Director's LETTER

For the past two years, it has been my pleasure to serve as the Director of Alumni Affairs. Our department's objective was clear, to engage our alumni with the University of today. At first glance this may have seemed like an onerous task, but after taking stock, we quickly recognized that we possessed the three greatest resources that any University can wish for: an alumni body that has a natural affinity to the institution; a dynamic and esteemed President providing leadership; and an Alumni Affairs "Team" made up of staff and the Alumni Association that is committed and dedicated to engagement.

Our continued support from the community, the corporate sector and our Alumni naturally encourages us to further explore new opportunities and partnerships. To this end, I am very pleased to assume the new role as Director of Strategic Initiatives Development. I will be looking to our alumni, our faculty and staff and leaders in the community to find collaborative and creative ways to lead the University in pursuit of its objectives, its continued drive for academic excellence and community development. I believe that when a community feels a sense of "ownership", an institution such as The University of Winnipeg can be a catalyst for social change. I look forward to continue working with all of you.

AnnaMaria Toppazzini (MPA '89)  
Director, Strategic Initiatives Development



CLAUDIUS SOODEEN

## Alumni Association President's LETTER

I am honored to be President of The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association for 2008-09. This year the Alumni Council will create new avenues of outreach, opportunities for your involvement and connections with future alumni.

Outreach. Opportunity. Connection. All hallmarks of the "modern university" - UWinnipeg is no exception. Initiatives to reach into local and global communities present us with opportunities to learn with and from each other. For example, students in Winnipeg might sit beside students from Downtown, Africa or Asia, or, using distance technologies connect online to discuss international issues. Our university is growing beyond its walls and into the world! You have a role to play in this growth: through funding scholarships, supporting international students, and welcoming international alumni.

For example, I recently had the pleasure of meeting Timothy Lo (BA'83) who had travelled from his home in Hong Kong to update us on his progress in connecting with alumni in Asia. We look forward to further connections with him.

In this exciting year for alumni we need YOU – your ideas, your enthusiasm, your insights and your energies, to help us meet our objectives. I invite you to become involved with us. Visit <http://www.uwinnipeg.ca/index/alumni-index> to learn more.

Claudius Soodeen (BA '90)  
President, The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association



LLOYD AXWORTHY  
PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR

## President's LETTER

According to Anais Nin: "Life shrinks and expands in proportion to one's courage." It takes courage to go beyond the ordinary and seek change from within, daring to investigate new ideas, nerve to go against the grain and navigate your own route. It takes courage to engage, improve and contribute to the world we live in.

The University of Winnipeg is an active and growing example of transformation and inclusion. Our downtown campus is home to students from many communities as close as Arlington Street and as far as Zimbabwe. Our classrooms are intercultural, transcending boundaries, creating a global consciousness on campus.

UWinnipeg continuously strives to remove barriers so that more students may access our resources. A concrete example is the Opportunity Fund, an initiative that is unique in Canada. Fast-track bursaries and tuition credits assist inner-city, Aboriginal and immigrant youth in getting an education and following their dreams. It helps bridge the graduation gap and transforms lives.

Our alumni community is as diversified as our classrooms and as our world. More than 40,000 UWinnipeg alumni are having an impact in their field of work and creating positive change in their communities. Some of those many accomplishments are outlined in this issue of The Journal.

During the spring and fall convocations, we honoured individuals who have taken active roles in human rights, sustainability and improving community through peace and education.

These recipients cross continents yet they share a vision to create a better world through politics, economics, theology, the arts, science and education. I want to share three intercontinental examples of people who earned an honorary doctorate of laws from The University of Winnipeg. Each is a visionary and an ideal example of what UWinnipeg represents. Each has the foresight, courage and valour to go beyond the ordinary and create the extraordinary. Their contributions have a ripple effect that transcends borders.

Honorary Doctorate of Laws recipient His Excellency Victor Yushchenko, President of Ukraine is an inspirational leader whose fearless defense of human rights transformed Ukraine from a country of tyranny to a democracy. He faced harassment and survived an assassination attempt. The threat to his life only strengthened his resolve to create change.

American citizen and entrepreneur Pat Broe invested in Canada's north. His unique vision and role in the development of Manitoba's north and investment in the Port of Churchill directly



improves the northern economy and has a direct effect in improving trade across continents.

National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations Dr. Phil Fontaine is a survivor of the residential schools. His leadership helped secure many rights for First Nations People. He was integral in the settlement of claims arising out of the 150-year Indian residential school tragedy. His commitment and perseverance earned survivors of this tragedy a Final Settlement Agreement now being implemented, which is the largest and most comprehensive settlement in Canadian history. This settlement includes compensation as well as a Truth and Reconciliation Commission, an education fund, healing resources and commemoration funding.

These examples are just three snapshots of what is taking place on our campus. Everything UWinnipeg does reflects on our students and our alumni, and we are committed in keeping them proud of their institution. Our commitment to adapting to a changing world while remaining one of Canada's top universities as ranked by our students in the Maclean's and Globe & Mail surveys is a priority. Maintaining our excellent academic standing and ensuring equal access is available to all that seek a higher education is our compass as we continue to map a progressive and exciting University landscape that is inclusive – sustainable – on the cutting edge of education – and that is competitive in our shrinking and expanding world.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lloyd Axworthy". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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

## HONORARY DEGREES



# THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG HONOURS OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUALS

A Special Convocation, Tuesday, May 27, 2008

**H**is Excellency Victor Yushchenko, President of Ukraine, received an Honorary Doctorate in Law from The University of Winnipeg at a Special Convocation on Tuesday, May 27, 2008.

Yushchenko was enthusiastically received by hundreds of well-wishers on campus. The special convocation ceremony included the rich music of the Hoosli Ukrainian Folk Ensemble singing the Canadian and Ukrainian National Anthems. Yushchenko was also presented with an icon created for the occasion entitled *Mother of God of Canada* by iconographer

Vera Lazarowich Senchuk. The Duckworth Centre was filled with his compatriots, distinguished guests, faculty, staff and students. After the ceremony, the Hoosli choir spontaneously broke out in song on Spence Street and Yushchenko joined in.

Yushchenko was elected President of Ukraine on December 26, 2004, after a fearless campaign. His dedication to human rights and his vision for a just Ukraine was instrumental in transforming his nation into a peaceful democracy, despite an assassination attempt during his campaign.

## Spring Convocation, Sunday, June 2, 2008

### Mohinder Singh Dhillon

Mohinder Singh Dhillon received an Honorary Doctorate in Law for a remarkable lifetime of community service. Dhillon has contributed his time and effort to more than 30 organizations during the past 40 years. His recent community service work includes serving on an advisory board for the Canadian Museum for Human Rights and The University of Winnipeg's Global College.



### Sharon Hope Irwin

Sharon Hope Irwin received an Honorary Doctorate in Law for her outstanding work in the area of inclusive childcare and early intervention programs. For more than 25 years Irwin has dedicated her efforts to children with special needs. The founding director of SpecialLink – the National Centre for Child Care Inclusion, Irwin has served on numerous commissions, working groups, task forces and committees with the purpose of disseminating successful inclusive child care practices and policies.



### John Langstaff (BSc '75)

John Langstaff received an Honorary Doctorate in Science for his long, meaningful career in the healthcare field. Langstaff, a 2001 Distinguished Alumnus of The University of Winnipeg, is an international leader in pharmaceutical research and development. The President & CEO of Cangene Corporation, Langstaff has been influential in developing and encouraging excellence in the biotechnology industry in Manitoba.



### James A. Richardson (BA '93)

Richardson received an Honorary Doctorate in Law for his lifelong commitment to philanthropy and community service. For decades, Richardson has been at the forefront of community service, including efforts and contributions to diverse organizations such as the Canadian Paraplegic Association, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Ducks Unlimited Canada. His insight, leadership and generosity also extend to The University of Winnipeg, where he has contributed to the University, the Collegiate and The University of Winnipeg Foundation.



## Fall Convocation, Sunday, October 19, 2008

### Phil Fontaine

National Chief of the Assembly of First Nations Phil Fontaine received an Honorary Doctorate in Law. A member of the Sagkeeng First Nation, Fontaine is one of the foremost First Nations leaders in Canada. He played a pivotal role in exposing the abuses within the residential school system and led the Indian residential schools settlement. Fontaine is a person who has made many positive contributions to Canada. Along with his work in achieving a framework agreement for self-government of Manitoba's First Nations, Fontaine made key contributions to the defeat of the Meech Lake Accord.



### Pat Broe

Pat Broe received an Honorary Doctorate in Law. Broe is a Denver-based entrepreneur whose unique vision and role in the development of Manitoba's north has made its mark in Northern Manitoba. Broe and his company OmniTRAX Canada, Inc. rescued 1,300 km of rail line in northern Manitoba from abandonment. He also acquired the long-neglected Port of Churchill. His vision established the port as a vital trade link between Canada and Europe, the Middle East, Africa and South America.





# GLOBAL TO LOCAL: A Dream Come True

By Dr. Marilou McPhedran (LLD '92)

A few years ago I was walking through the dusty, noisy silk market in Karachi, Pakistan, while on assignment with the Asian Development Bank, when I remembered my freedoms growing up in rural Manitoba compared to the lack of fundamental freedoms of most women and girls in so many countries – due to the rise of fundamentalisms. As a mature professional woman, I had to be shrouded in order to go shopping – such a simple act, which hotel staff warned me against.

Recently, the hotel where I was based in Islamabad was blown to bits, demonstrating the challenges of working and living in our global village – far from one's roots. Writing this on a flight, when I stepped off the plane in Winnipeg, a big sign greeted me: "You of W.com – where you matter", capturing why I chose this university, decades ago. Tugging at my roots then, I registered at U of Winnipeg at seventeen. I loved cities, unlike the rest of my family, and what drew me to "You of W" as a teenager was the magnet that brought me back: a sense of belonging and purpose in a small university embedded in a complex, challenging cityscape.

Little did I guess when I returned last year for the UWinnipeg 40th Anniversary Homecoming, that in a few months I would be resigning as a law professor and Chief Commissioner of the Saskatchewan Human Rights Commission to return as the Principal of Global College.

A simple silver bracelet that I wear always is engraved "dream". I loved my Saskatchewan life but became captivated by the Global College dream. The Global College mandate of "research, dialogue, and action among the peoples of the world" and new interdisciplinary human rights degree – a first as far as I knew – intrigued and excited me. But, at Homecoming, when I walked into the newly named Carl Ridd Sanctuary to honour the professor who most influenced my life, I had no idea that I was returning to UWinnipeg.

Dr. Lloyd Axworthy and I had some major differences many years back, yet I developed a high regard for his principled, gender-responsive leadership in cabinet and how he pioneered "human security" – a concept now influencing the whole UN system. It's the measure of the man that my enthusiasm expressed at Homecoming led to the process of my becoming the Principal of Global College.

From a Canadian human rights practice, my past ten years involved international human rights in four universities, in places like Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Philippines, and



Swaziland, which coalesced into teaching human rights as 'lived rights'; not just legal theory. To live our rights, we have to incur substantial systemic change – on the streets of Kandahar and Winnipeg. To live our rights, we need research, dialogue and action – now being facilitated in the new interdisciplinary human rights degree program and the seven institutes of Global College, which focus on: Health and Human Potential; Human Rights and Global Studies; Literacy and Transformative Learning; Political and Cultural Studies of the Americas; War Affected Children; Women's and Gender Studies; Religion and Global Policy.

Lifelong learners are welcome at Global College – in our degree programs and our Spring and Summer Institutes. Community engagement at Global College surpasses anything I've seen at any other university in Canada. Members of the Lost Boys and Girls of Sudan, some child soldiers among them, have told me that the Global College's outreach and Dr. Axworthy's support have been transformative. To see the dream of integrating Community and University in the process of realisation confirms my decision, made in response to the moment when Lloyd Axworthy said to me quietly, but firmly, "It's time to come home."



# THE HUMPTY DUMPTY DILEMMA

By Dean Peachy

Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall  
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall  
All the King's horses  
And all the King's men  
Could not put Humpty Dumpty together again

Working this year in northern Uganda, the nursery rhyme from my childhood posed an apt metaphor for the challenges facing people I was interviewing: how do you put society together again after two decades of civil war have splattered everything?

As with many civil wars, the one between the Government of Uganda and the rebel Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) has been waged up close and personal, including combatants killing, torturing, and kidnapping people from their own communities. Upwards of 30,000 individuals have been abducted to serve as fighters or porters for the LRA, many of them children. Uncounted thousands of people have died, and many more were tortured or maimed. Ninety percent of the rural population was displaced with their homes destroyed, and many forced to spend years in crowded, squalid encampments for internally-displaced persons. The economy is in shambles. Everyone in the region is war-affected.

I was drawn to research in northern Uganda because of the persistent way in which local leaders have called for "reconciliation" in the midst of the violence. As one woman told me, "Something drastically happened in my life that turned me to looking for reconciliation, thirsting for reconciliation, seeing the need for reconciliation." The woman is Angelina Atyam, and the event she was referring to was the abduction of her 14-year-old daughter to become the forced "wife" of an LRA commander in the bush.

How does the mother of an abducted child become a leading proponent for reconciliation with the people perpetrating

atrocities? Is justice possible in such a situation, and if so, what does it mean? Is reconciliation at individual, community, or national levels possible, and if so, what does it look like?

These questions are set in the midst of a raging controversy as to whether war-time atrocities should be addressed through western-style prosecutions by the International Criminal Court or by African approaches that draw on traditional cultural values of restoration and reconciliation, and build on recent transitional justice experiments such as South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission and Rwanda's gacaca community courts.

I am not trying to answer this debate with my research, but rather to document and understand people's experiences as they seek reconciliation in their lives and communities. Along with my research associates, I have interviewed youth who were abducted, rebel commanders, community leaders, and government officials. I have attended ceremonies where goats and sheep were sacrificed, and interfaith religious ceremonies with peacebuilders from around the globe. I have been served tea by hands that were figuratively dripping in blood.

A common thread in the interviews is people who desperately want to be able to live in peace. Another striking commonality is a growing openness to putting aside notions that have been formed of the enemy, and a willingness to reach out to adversaries – even though the task is almost as difficult as putting an egg together again.

*Dean E. Peachey is Professor of Conflict Resolution Studies at Menno Simons College. He is currently on sabbatical research leave, and working on a book tentatively titled *Thirsting for Reconciliation: Case Studies of Transitional Justice in Northern Uganda*.*



ANGELINA ATYAM SHARES HER QUEST FOR RECONCILIATION WITH MEMBERS OF THE CONCERNED CHILDREN AND YOUTH ASSOCIATION.

Photo by Dean Peachey



PEACHEY CONDUCTS BOOK INTERVIEW WITH CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP JOHN BAPTIST ODAMA IN GULU.

Photo by Enoch Mutabaazi

Audiences across the province have been seeing a lot more of The University of Winnipeg's Fine Art Collection lately. From February 7 – March 22, 2008, Gallery 1Co3 on campus hosted (Re)Visiting the Collection: Selections of Manitoba Art from The University of Winnipeg in honour of the University's fortieth anniversary. The exhibition featured forty artworks created over the last century by 25 of Manitoba's best-known artists, including Jackson Beardy, Wanda Koop, Walter J. Phillips, Tony Tascona and others. Accompanied by an illustrated publication with essays by current and former University art curators Jennifer Gibson, Dr. Sarah McKinnon and Patricia E. Bovey, thirty pieces from this show subsequently embarked upon a year-long tour to several venues throughout Manitoba and in Saskatchewan, thanks to a partnership with the Manitoba Arts Network. Last spring the art traveled to Virden and Shaunavon, Saskatchewan before it was displayed at Thompson's Heritage North Museum for the summer. The works were then presented in Leaf Rapids and are currently being shown at the Sam Waller Museum in The Pas before they move on to Portage la Prairie, Holland and Carmen. Visiting the Collection, as the touring exhibition is titled, promotes knowledge about the University in these rural communities and enables us to share some of the gems in our art collection with those who do not often get to see such high quality pieces.



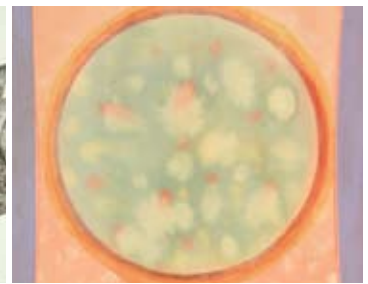
Wanda Koop, *The Mountain*, 1981, acrylic on paper. Photograph by Larry Glawson.



Walter J. Phillips, *Grain Elevators*, 1934, watercolour. Gift of the Class of 1935. Photograph by Larry Glawson.



Tony Tascona, *Wing Span*, 2000, acrylic ink on paper. Photograph by Larry Glawson.



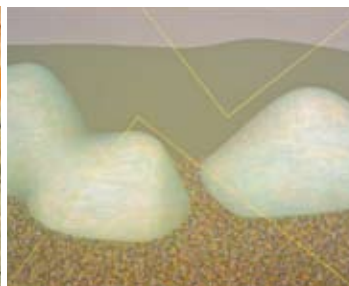
Tony Tascona, *Untitled (Seed Circle)*, 2006, acrylic ink on paper. Photograph by Larry Glawson.

## UNIVERSITY'S ART COLLECTION ON THE MOVE

By Jennifer Gibson (BA Honours '94), University Art Curator



Bruce Head, *Conversation*, 1957, oil on canvas. Gift of Dermot and Shelagh Daly. Photograph by Larry Glawson.



Caroline Dukes, *Landscape #11*, 1977, acrylic on canvas. Gift of Caroline and Alfred Dukes. Photograph by Ernest Mayer, The Winnipeg Art Gallery.



Daphne Odjig, *Nanabajou and his daughter*, 1975, silkscreen (4/60). Gift of Frank and Sue Hechter. Photograph by Larry Glawson.



Daphne Odjig, *The Squaw Man*, 1975, silkscreen (54/60). Gift of anonymous alumnus donor. Photograph by Larry Glawson.

Other works from the University's art collection have been on view recently at The Winnipeg Art Gallery in three separate solo exhibitions highlighting prominent Manitoba artists. The WAG's Curator of Contemporary Art and Photography Mary Reid included two large paintings created by the late Caroline Dukes for the retrospective *Caroline Dukes: Concealed Memories*, displayed July 24 – October 19, 2008. The survey exhibition *Head Space: Five Decades of Bruce Head* ran from September 11 - November 23, 2008 at the WAG and contained eight of Head's abstract paintings and prints drawn from the University's art holdings. At present, five Sheila Spence photographic portraits from the University's collection can be seen at the WAG until March 29, 2009 in *Sheila Spence: Pictures of Me*.

Although the University's holdings of Aboriginal art are not large, we do own several pieces by important First Nations artists. Recognizing this, independent curator and University of Winnipeg alumna Jenny Western (BA Honours '03) selected four silkscreen prints from our collection by renowned Ojibway artist Daphne Odjig for the exhibition *Mother's Mother's Mother: The Legacy and Rebellion of Aboriginal Women's Art*. First presented in Winnipeg at Urban Shaman and Ace Art from July 11 - August 16, the group show toured to Brandon's Art Gallery of Southwestern Manitoba where it was displayed in September and October.



# Winnipeg Art Gallery Director **STEPHEN BORYS** on Coming Home

By Helen Cholakis (BA '93)

**S**tephen D. Borys was installed as the Director and CEO of The Winnipeg Art Gallery in June 2008. He oversees all aspects of the WAG, managing an operating budget of 5.5 million dollars and a staff of 60. Originally from Winnipeg, he moved back to the city from Sarasota, Florida, where he was the Ulla R. Searing Curator of Collections at The John and Mable Ringling Museum of Art and an adjunct professor in the art history department at Florida State University. He lives in downtown Winnipeg with his wife Hazel, a town planner and new urbanist, and their son Roman. Since his return, Borys says he has been enjoying walking to work, getting to know the people in the neighbourhood, and visiting local parks, restaurants, and museums.

Borys began his post-secondary education at The University of Winnipeg, and says he's glad he kept his first year of studies diverse.

"In my first semester at U of W, I took a course with Professor David Topper, *Arts and Ideas*," says Borys. "I wasn't contemplating art history as a major—as a minor—at all. In fact I was thinking about law school. I took that course and it changed my whole perspective on the role of art in society, and it changed my career path. I recall a lecture at the WAG when I was an undergraduate. The guest speaker was John Canaday, the distinguished American art historian and critic, and I had just finished Dr. Topper's course in which we had used one of Canaday's books. At the close of the lecture, Mr. Canaday remarked: 'The next time you hear someone use the expression – I don't know much about art, but I know what I like – tell them that you really can only like what you know or have been exposed to'. . . I've never forgotten Canaday's advice."

Borys graduated in 1984 with a BA Honours in Art History and went on to graduate school, receiving an MA in Art History from the University of Toronto in 1987 and a Ph.D. in Art and Architectural History from McGill University in 1994. He is currently enrolled in the Executive MBA program at the University of South Florida, Tampa.

Borys speaks with enthusiasm about his plans for The Winnipeg Art Gallery and says it's a great time to be the director, pointing out that The WAG is the sixth-largest art museum in the country, the oldest civic art museum in Canada, and will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2012.

"My goal for exhibitions and programs is to bring more diversity and quality to the process, and this includes diversity in how we produce exhibitions: we need shows that originate here, shows



where we partner with other museums, and packaged shows that we bring into the Gallery from other places. I also am interested in working more with our permanent collection, which totals over 24,000 objects; not just getting it out, but examining it seriously as we would do with any temporary exhibition."

Borys says that his time in the United States provided him with valuable opportunities and experience in the cultural sector, and it also opened his eyes to Canada's important role as a leader and innovator in the arts.

"As I worked nationally and internationally with colleagues at other museums and universities on various exhibition and research projects, I began to see how Canada was perceived around the world, and this was incredibly encouraging and exciting."

Borys explains the mission of The Winnipeg Art Gallery is to engage people with art, and he is looking at audiences in all places — locally, nationally and internationally — to achieve this goal. He believes that art is something that everyone should be able to embrace and enjoy.

"In terms of going cross-generational, cross-cultural, cross-media, I like a balance in what we document and present so that the Gallery visitor is exposed to a full spectrum of artmaking."

Getting people in touch with art and contributing to the cultural life of Winnipeg is a job Borys clearly enjoys.

"You know," he says, "I'm the director of one of Canada's great art museums located in the city where I was born; and the thought of walking to work and doing exactly what I have been trained to do, and what I want to do, is very rewarding."



STUDENTS FROM XIAMEN, FUJIAN PROVINCE, CHINA

# STUDENT RECRUITMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL RELATIONS

## Creating a Global Community

By Karyn Kibsey (BAH '06)

The University of Winnipeg operates with a global focus: recognizing diverse perspectives, encouraging a social conscience, and striving toward global citizenship. The Student Recruitment and Institutional Relations Office at The University of Winnipeg is a catalyst for diversity both on and off campus.

Student Recruitment and Institutional Relations, a newly constituted department at The University of Winnipeg, is headed by the Deputy Provost and Associate Vice-President International, Neil Besner, and supported by Director Livia Castellanos. Besner presents a progressive vision for the University and its international endeavors.

“Drawing on the strengths of our Global College, our new graduate programs, and on the unique advantages provided by our Collegiate and our strong English Language Program, the University is establishing a strong presence in international education,” explains Besner. “Over the next five years, we are seeking to increase the numbers of our international student body from its current 500 students to 1000; we are also developing our study abroad program, enhancing our range of services for international students, increasing the number of residence opportunities near campus, and, of course, increasing the range and the number of scholarships and bursaries available for international students.”



To support this vision, recruitment staff will be traveling the world, bringing the University's message to all corners of the globe. From South America to Asia and Europe to the Middle East, recruiters will be working at secondary schools, universities, language schools, and fairs to build relationships that will not only increase the international presence on campus, but also provide our Canadian students with opportunities to gain experience abroad.

Since her arrival as Director of Student Recruitment and Institutional Relations, Castellanos has been a driving force in many new projects.

"I am happy about several partnerships that The University of Winnipeg has established during the time I have been here: Beijing Concord College of Sino Canada is a new partner in China that will send undergraduate students to The University of Winnipeg, and Universidad de León in Mexico is another strong partner that just sent 33 students to take courses in English and culture at The University of Winnipeg English Language Program," notes Castellanos.

The latter is a reciprocal exchange program; 33 students from the Universidad de León studied at The University of Winnipeg from August 15 to September 13, while students from UWinnipeg's Modern Languages department will travel on exchange to the Universidad de León in May 2009 for a five-week program.

A separate group of students arrived in August 2008, from Xiamen, Fujian Province, China. These 22 students from Xiamen will complete an intensive English Language Program which involves daytime classes in English and participation in University-run cultural activities on select afternoons and evenings.

When dialogue between Xiamen and The English Language Program at The University of Winnipeg began, work commenced on building a program to meet the needs of these students. While their studies began in The English Language Program, they are expected to leave with a full university education. These students plan to continue their studies at The University of Winnipeg, enrolling in regular classes as international students.

Many of the international students who study at The University of Winnipeg adjust to Canadian life with the help of Homestay families. Homestay is a unique living arrangement through which international students live with a host family. Living with a Canadian family through the Homestay program provides students with a socio-cultural learning opportunity which complements their studies. Host families regularly comment on the satisfaction they get from meeting students, experiencing a variety of cultures, and helping the University find homes for its students.

From across the world to our own backyards, The University of Winnipeg is invested in creating a global community. We would like to invite all our Alumni to take part in our dynamic initiatives.

The University of Winnipeg is currently looking for Alumni Homestay families. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Homestay family, please contact Ingrid Willey at [i.willey@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:i.willey@uwinnipeg.ca) or phone 204.982.1702 for more information.

If you are an educator, counsellor or administrator at an overseas school or an international school in Canada and would like more information about The Student Recruitment and Institutional Relations Office, please contact Livia Castellanos at [l.castellanos@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:l.castellanos@uwinnipeg.ca) or call 204.258.2952.



## RECRUITMENT

### International travel by country:

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India  
Mexico  
Malaysia  
Germany

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Vancouver  
NW Ontario (various towns/cities)  
Thunder Bay  
Saskatoon  
Regina

### Manitoba travel by region:

Eastman  
Westman  
Northern Manitoba  
Parkland  
Interlake  
West Central  
Yellowhead  
Winnipeg and surrounding areas

# UWINNIPEG CAMPUS UPDATE

## RICHARDSON COLLEGE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND SCIENCE COMPLEX

Construction on the Richardson College for the Environment and Science Complex began on November 17, 2008. It will be located on the University's new Furby/Langside western campus and will contain state-of-the-art, energy-efficient teaching and research laboratories for biology, chemistry and environmental studies, as well as office and classroom space. The LEED-certified facility will also be a policy centre for environmental issues and a centre for applied research in environmental technologies.

Construction on the College and Complex and the development of the green corridor connecting the site to the main campus have been made possible by the Richardson Firm, Family and Foundation's donation of \$3.5 million, and by the Province of Manitoba's historic donation of \$25 million and additional gift to support University laboratories. These major gifts have leveraged significant additional gifts from private donors for the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in late 2010.



## MCFEETORS HALL: GREAT-WEST LIFE STUDENT RESIDENCE

Construction on McFeetors Hall: Great-West Life Student Residence began on July 30th, 2008. Built on the northeast side of the Furby/Langside western campus, McFeetors Hall will provide a home for 176 students and 25 student families. This LEED-certified building will model a range of leading-edge environmental technologies to foster sustainability and energy



efficiency. On November 7, 2008, Mansfield Construction hosted a "Top On" ceremony to celebrate the installation of the hollow core roof. Special guest in attendance was UWinnipeg alumnus Ray McFeetors, CEO of Great-West Life, who donated \$1.67 million dollars toward the Residence. Great-West Lifeco Inc. committed a further \$1 million. Construction is scheduled to be completed in August 2009, and is currently proceeding ahead of schedule.

## UWINNIPEG'S NEW TRANSIT TERMINAL NOW OPEN

The University of Winnipeg has opened a new bus-only loop road and bus shelter on campus between Spence Street and Young Street, transforming Spence Street between the CBC building and The Duckworth Centre into a pedestrian-only zone. The project is the result of cooperative discussions with area residents, CBC Manitoba, and the City of Winnipeg, and was made possible by a contribution of \$1.2 million from the Manitoba government.

## UWINNIPEG'S EASTERN CAMPUS TAKES SHAPE

On November 17th, 2008 The University of Winnipeg's Board of Regents approved the first phase of redevelopment of the Greyhound Bus Depot at 491 Portage Avenue and construction of a new building on the former United Army Surplus site at 460 Portage Avenue. These campus developments will allow for the consolidation of student services and academic programs into a cohesive campus environment, and will advance the University's goals of partnering with complementary external organizations and helping strengthen Winnipeg's downtown business and arts hub.



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## NEW MASTER'S PROGRAMS

# MASTER OF ARTS IN BIOSCIENCE TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLIC POLICY

The Master of Science degree in BioScience, Technology and Public Policy is a two-year full-time program. Students complete course work that includes three elements: core BioScience, Technology, and Policy. In addition, students are expected to undertake a research project culminating in a Master of Science thesis. The current enrollment is 11 students: 9 full-time and 2 part-time. Four students in the program are externally funded by either the Natural Sciences and Engineering Council of Canada, the Manitoba Graduate Scholarship program or a foreign source of funding (international). The research program of the students is evenly distributed between ecological and molecular/biotechnology topics. Our educational objectives are four-fold. First, we provide our students with an applied education in the methods of science. Second, we educate our students in the methods of scientific literacy. Third, we educate our students on the relationship between science and the community around us.

This involves the study of science and ethics, and science and the development of public policy. Fourth, we educate our students in the methods of communicating science to policy-makers and the general public. We are training students not only in the basic methods of science, but how in to make a difference in society. We plan to launch a course-stream Masters degree in the fall of 2009 that will train students in biotechnologies. The new science building will provide our students with state-of-the-art research facilities.



# MASTER OF ARTS IN ABORIGINAL GOVERNANCE

In the fall of 2008 the Aboriginal Governance Program is introducing its first five enrollees in its new Master's degree program. Carla Cochrane and Freeman Simard lead the local contingent in this historic first class, while Alex Paterson hails from Ontario. Tamara Stout is a Canadian coming back to study from her new home in Colombia, while Derek Nepinak, a law graduate from Saskatchewan and Alberta, returns to the roots of the Nepinak family in Manitoba.

The program, which had offered an undergraduate degree program, has taken on new challenges as it becomes Canada's only program offering both the undergraduate and graduate degree in the new and challenging field of indigenous governance. The new course is being crafted as part of an overall university vision that unites the university with the community that it serves. With indigenous Elders as part of the faculty and with community work placement arrangements as one of the three optional study streams open to students, the AGP aims to promote and to provide leadership.

The AGP has also been invigorated in 2008 with the appointment of three new faculty members. Lorena Fontaine is a legal scholar from a well-known Manitoba Cree family. Brock Pitawanakwat is Anishinaabe from Ontario and First Nations University in Saskatchewan. Paul Chartrand is the third new faculty member and also the new director of the program. A law professor who grew up in the Métis community of St. Laurent, Manitoba, he graduated from The University of Winnipeg in 1972 and has held academic appointments in several countries.





# GRADUATE PROGRAM IN APPLIED COMPUTER SCIENCE AND SOCIETY



The new M.Sc. degree in Applied Computer Science and Society is on technology and ethical/human/social aspects of computing. The program expands the role of the ACS department in developing applied computer scientists who can relate their technical skills to global and cultural issues and become valuable global knowledge citizens.

This fall term we admitted our first batch of graduate students. Ms. Leone Doderio is one of them. She has been awarded the Manitoba Graduate Scholarship to pursue her Master's degree. She will be doing research on the evaluation of graph reachability queries under the supervision of Professor Yangjun Chen. She hopes that her research results can be used to solve some hard problems in geographical navigation, ontology queries, as well as XML document processing.

In our program, some other interesting research topics are also provided, such as Intelligent System, Pattern Recognition, Information Security, and Distributed Computation. While many students are eager to be involved in a research team, some others may choose to study for course-based degree. A wide range of courses are scheduled including computer science theory and practice, as well as some ethical/human/social courses.

With the strong support of the Manitoba government, we are establishing an attractive and competitive program. We cordially welcome all those students who want to become successful engineers, researchers and scholars to join our program.

## MASTER OF ARTS IN ENGLISH WITH A FOCUS IN CULTURAL STUDIES

Don't be put off by the title of the new MA in English with a Focus in Cultural Studies degree: the somewhat wordy description names an exciting venture for the Department of English and The University of Winnipeg. Cultural Studies is one of the interdisciplinary sites at which teaching and research in the Social Sciences and Humanities is being rethought and reconfigured. The title of the new degree marks both the location of the new program within the well-established discipline of English studies and the commitment of the department to reach beyond its current borders to bring in students, researchers, and teachers from other departments and programs.

The questions posed in Cultural Studies often occur at the intersection of traditional disciplines. What, for example, are the implications of globalization for national and local cultures and identities? How do different forms of popular culture produce different publics? Why does the idea of "the child" and childhood shift in different social and cultural circumstances? How does the circulation in culture of such terms as "homosexual" and "heterosexual," or "masculine" or "feminine," help us to organize our understanding of ourselves?

The new MA degree offers students the opportunity to focus on five topics: cultural theory; cultures of childhood; genders, sexualities, and cultures; local, national, and global cultures;

and manuscript, print, and digital cultures. As a program situated in an English department, Cultural Studies at The University of Winnipeg is particularly interested in how texts encode, produce, and resist cultural formations. Texts, however, now are understood to include not only poetry, novels, plays, and essays, but also films and social networking Internet sites, material objects such as toys, and public monuments, to list just a few of the possibilities.

The focus in the area of Cultures of Childhood will be enhanced by the presence of the Centre for Research in Young People's Texts and Cultures (CRYTC) at the University of Winnipeg. Established in 2006, after the appointment of Mavis Reimer to the position of Canada Research Chair in the Culture of Childhood, CRYTC facilitates the development and management of collaborative national and international research projects, hosts visiting speakers and researchers, maintains links with other research centres in children's studies internationally, and houses the offices of a bilingual journal in the field of the study of young people's texts.



# NOW APPEARING

## The University of Winnipeg Theatre Alumni

Compiled by Kelly Nickie, Student Assistant, Alumni Affairs

### **Beilfuss, Rodrigo (B.A. Hons. '07)**

Since moving to Winnipeg from Brazil in 2001, Rod has studied Theatre & Film at The University of Winnipeg, and is currently back in school planning to pursue a Masters of Arts in English, with focus on Cultural Studies and 16th Century Drama. Rod has appeared on many stages in Winnipeg, and some of his most recent credits include *Otello* (MB Opera), *The Merchant of Venice* and *Macbeth* (Shakespeare in the Ruins), *Comedy of Errors*, *Two Gentlemen of Verona* (TBTR - Theatre by the River) and the directorial projects *Enter a Free Man* (StoppardFest) and *The Duck Variations* (MametFest). Rod also lends his voice to a couple of characters in the animated series *Noonbory & the Super 7*. Upcoming projects include *Billy Bishop Goes to War* (TBTR), *Romeo & Juliet* (SIR) and *Resurrection Blues* (MillerFest '09).



### **Boris, Trevor (B.A. Hons '02)**

Trevor has come a long way from the farm he grew up on near Winnipeg. Although he was a psychology major at UWinnipeg, he has found success in the performing arts. He is one of the stars and producers of MuchMusic's hit show 'Video on Trial', and has appeared in many other shows on the network including 'Stars Gone Wild', 'Much on Demand', and the MuchMusic Video Awards. Trevor has performed his stand up all over the world including South Africa and England, and has starred in his very own Comedy NOW special on CTV. Trevor has also appeared on NBC's 'Last Comic Standing', and recently wrote the 2008 Juno Awards.



### **Desrochers, Larry Wilbert (B.A. '84)**

Larry was awarded the University of Winnipeg Distinguished Alumni Award in June 2003 for his important contribution to arts and culture in Manitoba. Larry began his career as an assistant stage director at the Manitoba Theatre Centre while completing his studies at the U of W. He directed numerous plays for MTC and was appointed Associate Artistic Director in 1988. His founding of the Winnipeg Fringe Festival in 1988 is generally considered to be a significant event in the development of Canadian theatre.

In 1999, he produced and directed the Opening & Closing Ceremonies for the Pan American Games featuring over 5,000 performers. Larry served as Executive Director of the Winnipeg Film Group from 1995-2000 when he began his current duties as General Director & CEO of Manitoba Opera.

### **Drader, Brian (B.A. '84)**

Brian is an actor, writer, drama teacher and artistic administrator. His plays have been produced in Canada, the United States, and Europe, and published by Scirocco Drama and Signature Editions. Awards for his writing include the Herman Voaden National Playwriting Award, the Philadelphia Brick Playhouse New Play Award, and the Lambda Literary Award for Drama (USA). His play *PROK* was also nominated for the Governor General's award (2003) and the McNally Robinson Book of the Year.

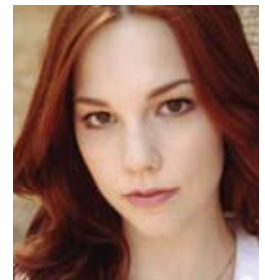


Brian has also acted in over seventy professional theatre productions across Canada, as well as numerous films, television projects, and radio dramas. As well as serving as Associate Artistic Director for Prairie Theatre Exchange, we worked with over 60 young playwrights through the PTE / Manitoba Association of Playwrights co-sponsored Playblitz and Young Emerging Playwrights programs.

Brian is presently the Director of Playwriting for the National Theatre School of Canada in Montreal.

### **Kelly, Suzanne (B.A. Hons. '07)**

Since graduation, Suzanne has continued to pursue acting professionally, with roles in the TV mini-series "The Capture of the Green River Killer," Bravo!FACT short film "Infectious" and the feature film "Wild Cherry" among other independent films. In addition to her degree, she has studied film acting for the past 7 years at Onalee Ames Film Studio. Her largest roles to date have been in the US features "The Lookout" by Miramax and "Full of It" by New Line Cinema. Most recently, Suzanne has signed with the Characters Agency in Vancouver and is moving this September to further advance her career.





# HOMECOMING 2010

## Bringing Manitobans Home

By Helen Cholakis (BA '93)



**M**anitoba Homecoming 2010 is a year-long celebration and series of events that will take place in Winnipeg and around the province throughout the year 2010, Manitoba's 140th birthday year. Its goal is to bring back former Manitobans and increase visitation to the province through a series of special events. Some of the celebrations involve partnerships with existing events like the Winnipeg Folk Festival, Dauphin Countryfest, Festival du Voyageur and Folklorama. Manitoba Homecoming 2010 also plans to attract national events that traditionally move around the country. Another component will be creating new and unique events like a New Year's Eve kickoff, socials and outdoor winter parties. There will also be a speaker series, job fair and trade conference, designed to create legacies after the year is over.

On the interactive website, [www.manitobahomecoming2010.com](http://www.manitobahomecoming2010.com) visitors can create a profile, sign up for newsletters and chat about their favourite places and things to do in Manitoba. The founding partners of Manitoba Homecoming 2010 are Travel Manitoba, Destination Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba.



**Stuart Duncan (BAH Geography '84)** is the president of Destination Winnipeg Inc. ([www.destinationwinnipeg.ca](http://www.destinationwinnipeg.ca)), Winnipeg's economic development services agency.

"Destination Winnipeg is the city's marketing arm and we're involved in economic development projects and expansion opportunities for the good of our city," says Duncan, "We're in the business of

tourism, so we work around the year to attract meetings, conventions, sports and special events, and group business to the city."

Duncan remembers The University of Winnipeg as "a great university to do undergrad work." He says he enjoyed having "top-notch professors" like Tony Kuz, James Richtik, and John Selwood in Geography and Professors Snidal and McKinley in Economics, small classes with interactive discussion, and great courses in statistics, geography, economics and city planning.

"Which is relevant," he explains, to his work with Destination Winnipeg involving economic development, regional planning and marketing. "I have kept a keen interest in geography, economics, trade, corporate finance and multi-disciplinary studies. I'm interested in world affairs and like looking at things holistically."

Duncan also says he feels fortunate that he was able to do well enough in his final year at The University of Winnipeg to be awarded a full scholarship and teaching assistantship at York University, where he went on to receive a Master's degree ('87), again combining geography and economics. After graduation, and prior to returning home to join Destination Winnipeg, Duncan worked in a variety of roles and organizations, including for the Province of Manitoba as the CEO of the Economic Innovation and Technology Council, in Calgary for KPMG LLP as vice-president in their corporate finance practice, also in Calgary as General Manager of the Canada West Foundation, and owner/partner of an economic and trade research firm in Winnipeg.



**Kevin Walters (BA Administrative Studies '80)** is the executive director of Manitoba Homecoming 2010. His job over the next two years is to plan Homecoming 2010 events, develop partnerships with various events and organizations and market the year to ex-pat Manitobans to encourage them to come home and celebrate the best of Manitoba.

He has had a lot of experience with world-class events in Winnipeg. He was Chair of the 2005 Winnipeg Juno committee and Co-Chair of the Canadian Country Music Week last September. He says when people ask how long he has been in the music

business, he tells them, "Since about grade nine! I booked the bands at my high school, I booked the bands in University and at U of W I worked with the programming department on all the events and socials that went on." On the academic side, he remembers being in a class of about 12 with David Walker, where they would sit around a table talking and had a satirist from Air Farce as a guest speaker; taking sociology classes with Prof. Morrison; and the hardest class he ever took, a political science course with Claudia Wright. He liked the style of learning at The University:

"It was a free exchange of ideas, as much as textbook learning... You learned how to think. There was obviously a knowledge component, but you also learned how to use that knowledge in a small group setting."



THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG

# HOMECOMING 2008

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**ALUMNI ANNUAL GALA DINNER HEAD TABLE:** FRONT: CANDACE BACKMAN; EARL BACKMAN, DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD SPRING 2008 RECIPIENT; DR. LLOYD AXWORTHY, PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG; SUSAN THOMPSON, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG FOUNDATION. BACK ROW: CLAUDIUS SOODEEN, PRESIDENT, THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG ALUMNI ASSOCIATION; BRIAN STEVENSON, PROVOST AND VICE-PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC); JUDY STEVENSON; VINAY IYER, UWSA PRESIDENT

To coincide with the return of students to campus, The University of Winnipeg celebrated Homecoming Weekend Sept. 5th – 7th, 2008. More than 300 alumni from far and wide returned to The University of Winnipeg campus for a weekend to remember! There were more than 20 events – a beer garden and barbecues, special lectures, an alumni authors reading, book sales, musical performances by alumni and current students, campus tours, an Alumni Gala Dinner, an ecumenical service and more.

Class reunions were held for the alumni of Wesley College, the University classes of 1948, 1958, 1968, 1983 and the Collegiate class of 1958. UWinnipeg alumni had the opportunity to share memories of University life with old friends, to connect with the University community of today, and to learn about and become involved with the exciting plans for the University's future.

The University of Winnipeg would like to thank all those who shared in the celebration and made Homecoming 2008 a great success - alumni, students, faculty, staff, volunteers, reunion coordinators and our sponsors.

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- 5. THE CLASS OF '58 REUNION BRUNCH
- 6. THE CLASS OF 1968, SPARLING HALL AND GRAHAM HALL RESIDENTS REUNION
- 7. THE CLASS OF 1983





## HOMECOMING 2008



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8. FACULTY OF SCIENCE SPECIAL LECTURE WITH DR. ED CLOUTIS: "EXPLORING PLANETS, EXPLORING PAINTINGS - LOOKING UP AND DOWN WITH SPACE-AGE TECHNOLOGY"

9. ALUMNI AUTHORS READING WITH CHANDRA MAYOR, MICHAEL VAN ROOY AND DARIA SALAMON

10. FRONT: JESSIE LANG, SHIRLEY DUCKWORTH, DR. HENRY DUCKWORTH, PETER GINAKES  
BACK: PROF. HARRY STRUB, KATHY STRUB, SIGNY HANSON, ANNA MARIA TOPPAZZINI

11. EARL BACKMAN, DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD SPRING 2008 RECIPIENT AND BARBARA KELLY, PAST PRESIDENT, THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG ALUMNI ASSOCIATION



## STEVEN PATAKI

Alumni Development Coordinator

Having experienced my first University of Winnipeg homecoming weekend this past fall, I am excited about the planning and organization of next year's class reunions.

It has always been a special feeling for me to see alumni come together for reunions and to watch the interaction amongst former classmates who have special bonds of friendship with one another that were formed during their school years.

I am again seeking individuals to serve as reunion coordinators and help our office in forming reunion committees for those years wishing to celebrate their class reunions in 2009.

The class reunions proposed for Homecoming 2009 are:

- Class of '49 60-year
- Class of '59 50-year
- Class of '69 40-year
- Class of '84 25-year
- Class of '99 10-year
- Class of '59 Collegiate 50-year
- Class of '84 Collegiate 25-year
- Class of '99 Collegiate 10-year

Class reunions can only be successful with a committee in place so if you are interested in working on a reunion committee for your particular graduation year, please contact me at: 988-7122 or [s.pataki@uwinnipeg.ca](mailto:s.pataki@uwinnipeg.ca).



## THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG FOUNDATION UPDATE

# CAMPAIGN REPORT

By Campaign Chair R.M. (Bob) Kozminski

This past year has seen many exciting announcements. 'A World of Opportunity' Capital Campaign has passed the \$62 million level, and University Faculty and Staff continue to take a leading role, with Family Gifts exceeding \$3 million and rising. This Campaign is the largest fundraising endeavor ever undertaken at this institution.

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## RECENT CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

### ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

Canadian entertainer and philanthropist Dr. Tom Jackson, OC is the 2008 Duff Roblin Award recipient, announced at the University and Foundation's 2008 fundraising President's Gala Dinner. The year-old Duff Roblin Scholars Fund has grown to over \$350,000 and is already assisting students taking their Masters in Aboriginal Governance.

Recently announced gifts include \$75,000 from Windsor Masonic Lodge No. 38 and \$100,000 from a Winnipeg couple. Both donations support the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund and the Opportunity Fund.

### SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Ground-breaking news! Construction of McFeetors Hall and Great-West Life Residence is progressing well and the official ground breaking for the Science Complex and Richardson College for the Environment was held November 13.

### THEATRE AND ARTS

Reconstruction and interior space renovations for Canwest Centre for Theatre and Arts are substantially complete. Fundraising continues in support of new equipment and other important acquisitions.

### THE COLLEGIATE

An anonymous gift of \$250,000 was received in support of bursaries for Collegiate students.

We extend sincerest thanks to our volunteers and donors who are bringing their extraordinary gifts and commitment to 'A World of Opportunity' Capital Campaign.

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## THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG FOUNDATION UPDATE

# The University of Winnipeg and The University of Winnipeg Foundation WELCOME DR. C.R. HARINGTON

By Tanya Misseggers

The University of Winnipeg Foundation and The University of Winnipeg were privileged to welcome Dr. C. Richard Harington, Curator of Quaternary Zoology Emeritus and Research Associate at the Canadian Museum of Nature, to Winnipeg for two very special events: a Harington Fellows Reception on October 8 and The University of Winnipeg's Bonnycastle Lecture on October 9, 2008.

At the reception, Harington received a plaque of appreciation in his generous endowment of the Harington Fellowship in the Centre for Rupert's Land Studies at The University of Winnipeg, and lifetime donations of \$50,000.

Harington's engaging Bonnycastle lecture, "Climatic Change in Perspective," drew on his research on paleoenvironmental information derived from arctic vertebrate fossils over the last 400 million years.

The University of Winnipeg and its Foundation are grateful for Dr. Harington's tremendous support of student scholarship and research, and were delighted to welcome him to our campus and city.



L TO R: BILL BUHAY, JENNIFER BROWN, DANNY BLAIR, GAIL HARINGTON, RICHARD HARINGTON



L TO R: ANNE LINDSAY, JENNIFER CHING, ALVINA BLOCK, WILLIAM TEMPLE, GAIL HARINGTON, RICHARD HARINGTON, ROLAND BOHR, SCOTT STEPHEN, MONIQUE OLIVER, DONNA SUTHERLAND

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## 2008 PRESIDENT'S GALA DINNER Celebrates Award Winners and Campaign Success

By Nadine Kampen, BA '81

Guests at the October 18, 2008 President's Gala Dinner at The Fort Garry Hotel enjoyed tributes to award winners and festivities celebrating continued success of 'A World of Opportunity' Capital Campaign.

Gala MC Debra Radi introduced special guests Premier Gary Doer, Ginny Devine, Hon. Diane McGifford, and Councillor Harvey Smith along with honourees and guests including: Duff Roblin Award Winner Dr. Tom Jackson; Hon. Doctor of Laws recipients Dr. Pat Broe and Dr. Phil Fontaine; Fellow Dr. Frank Hechter; Distinguished Alumnus The Hon. Howard Pawley '57; Clarence Atchison Award Winner Rev. Dr. James Christie; and Erica and Arnold Rogers Award Winner Dr. James Currie.

President Lloyd Axworthy brought greetings at the dinner as did University Chancellor and Chair of The University of Winnipeg Foundation H. Sanford Riley and Campaign Chair R.M. (Bob) Kozminski.

Proceeds from the Gala dinners are allocated to the Duff Roblin Scholars Fund, which aids graduate students undertaking a UWinnipeg Masters Degree in Aboriginal Governance. The Duff Roblin Fund now exceeds \$350,000. A law-school graduate now taking his Masters degree, recipient Derek Nepinak conveyed appreciation for the support provided through the Scholars Fund. An inspirational citation from Dr. Tom Jackson, honoured for his special contributions to the advancement of education, concluded the evening's program.



STANDING L TO R: FRANK HECHTER, SUSAN HECHTER, ADELE PAWLEY, ED WAJCZYNSKI, JILL OGBORN, MIKE OGBORN, MARYLYNN BROE. SEATED, L TO R: JENNIFER RATTRAY, HOWARD PAWLEY, DIANE MCGIFFORD



L TO R: DENISE OMMANNEY, PHIL FONTAINE, PAULA BROE, PAT BROE, ALISON JACKSON, TOM JACKSON, LLOYD AXWORTHY (SEATED), GINNY DEVINE, PREMIER GARY DOER, KATHLEEN MAHONEY



Standing, L to R: Bob Kozminski, Paul Chartrand, Alex Paterson. Seated, L to R: Freeman Simard & Derek Nepinak.

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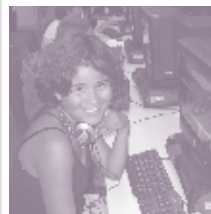
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# Remembering PROFESSOR A.R.M. LOWER

## Celebrated Canadian Historian

By Nadine Kampen, BA '81,  
based on recollections by Jeanette (Grosney) Block, UColl '43, BA '46 and Jack Russell, BA '46

In December 2008, UWinnipeg established its new National Centre of Canadian History, welcoming Canada's National History Society - publishers of the Beaver historical magazine - and Oral History Centre to new offices in Bryce Hall. This initiative is supported by the H. Sanford Riley Fellowships in Canadian History, awarded for the first time in Fall 2008, encouraging dialogue among and with the country's top historians. How fitting it is to recollect the University's tradition as a leading centre of excellence in Canadian History and to remember one of Canada's foremost historians and Wesley College and United College Professor and History Department Head, A.R.M. Lower...

United College '46 graduates Jeanette Block and Jack Russell proudly recall studying under Professor Arthur Reginald Marsden Lower, PhD, CC - one of Canada's great historians. A graduate of Toronto and Harvard universities, Dr. Lower came to Winnipeg in 1929, where he headed the History Department for Wesley and United Colleges for 18 years.

"In May 1946, our graduates went out into the world - a world recently emerged from a terrible war - with high hopes and high ambition," says Russell. "It was a society on the threshold of change - a Canada full of promise and opportunity and growing strength, ready to take its place among the nations of the world. And those of us who studied under Professor Lower went out with a fuller understanding of that world."

"Dr. Lower was a giant of a man in so many ways," says Block, who corresponded with Professor Lower up to the year of his death. "He was tall, imposing, sometimes gruff, and impatient. He was also an inspiring teacher, sensitive, witty, kind, and strangely surprised when students remembered him long after he left United College."

"Lower was an exciting figure," says Russell, "a man of great personal presence and distinction - one who dominated the classroom with his obvious learning and ability to interest and inspire with thoughts and ideas."



Photo courtesy of UWinnipeg Archives

Whether through the History Club that Lower organized, or through his lectures, books, articles, and discussions, students keenly valued his teachings. In fact, the Class of '46 elected him as its Honorary President.

In one of his letters to Block, Lower notes, "United College in those days was a stirring place, always on the edge financially... with so many energetic, enterprising and gifted students that it was well worth while. It was the students, in fact, who made the College."

And in 1985, he writes, "One of my present students has visited The University of Winnipeg and brings back the same report about its atmosphere that would have been applicable in your day and mine. I used to call it the poorest college in Canada (economically), but otherwise I am beginning to think it must have been one of the richest."

**"ARTHUR LOWER WAS ONE OF OUR FOREMOST HISTORIANS, A GREAT CANADIAN, AND A GREAT TEACHER. IT WAS A PRIVILEGE TO HAVE KNOWN HIM AND TO HAVE BEEN ONE OF HIS STUDENTS."**

**Jack Russell, United College '46**

Lower served as president of the Canadian Historical Association in 1943, and wrote several books, including one of our country's classic history texts, *Colony to Nation* (1946), along with *Canadian in the Making* (1958), and his autobiography, *My First Seventy-Five Years* (1967).

In 1947, Lower left United College to become Douglas Professor of History at Queen's University in Kingston until retirement in 1959. He was named a Fellow of United College in 1956, and awarded the Companion of the Order of Canada in 1968 having demonstrated, as the award sets out, the highest degree of merit to Canada and humanity.

Professor Lower died on January 7, 1988 at the age of 98.





# ALUMNI NEWS BRIEFS

## VOLUNTEERING

By Mike Cook (BA '80)

It has often been said Winnipeggers generously give their time and financial support to a host of causes. To say we willingly offer our heart, hand and time is a great testament to our collective nature and community.

There is a plethora of fantastic causes to assist and become involved in. If you want to work with the young or elderly, the well-to-do or those who struggle, those far away or in our own backyard, the list is seemingly endless. For the majority of the readers, we share a wonderful common denominator: The University of Winnipeg.

Our Alma Mater owes a great deal of its success to volunteers. Those tireless men and women who freely give their time to assist the administration, the staff and the student body to become more receptive to the needs of the University and surrounding community.

The University Alumni Association Council is a gleaming example of the volunteer spirit of students of all years. The Council is made up of former students who want to enhance the reputation and ensure the University will continue to provide the highest level of education. Did you know you too could become a Council member? By so doing, you will help pursue the vision of the school and I dare say, have a lot of fun as well. No volunteer is unwanted. No time commitment is too small.

The spirit of helping others is very much alive at your University. If you wish to assist, the effort will be richly rewarded in watching current and future students take their place as vibrant members of our community and beyond. Who was it that said "no time like the present"? The answer is moot. I say to you now. Get involved with the school that shaped you into the person you are today.

The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association is pleased to introduce the 2008 – 2009 Alumni Association Council:

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| <b>President</b>                           | Claudius Soodeen (BA '90)                                |
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|  | Anrea Zaslov (BA '95, DCE '05)                           |
|  | Gabriela Klimes (BA '98)                                 |
|  | Keith Sinclair<br>(The Collegiate '70, BA Hons. '73)     |
|  | Andrea Doyle<br>(The Collegiate '02, B.Sc. '06)          |
| <b>Board of Regents</b>                    | Michael Bayer (B.Sc. '90, BA '95)                        |
|  | Brenda Keyser (BA Hons. '74)                             |
|  | Debra Radi (B.Ed.'81, BA '85)                            |

## STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

By Del Sexsmith (BA '72)

The members of the Alumni Association Council gathered in a meeting room at Manitoba Hall Saturday morning September 20th to engage in a strategic planning session for the Association. Led by Gerald Munt, The University of Winnipeg's Director of Strategic and Budgetary Priorities, the session invited brainstorming built around practical ideas for a volunteer organization. A focus for the discussion was provided by the four objectives identified in the Alumni Association's constitution: to promote alumni interest and support; to promote camaraderie among alumni; to encourage alumni contributions to the University; and to foster an understanding of the role of alumni with current students. Visibility on campus, increased communications with alumni and the wider community, and the development of mentorship programs were common themes for the session.

Mr. Munt's report will be reviewed by the Council this fall with a view to setting achievable goals for the Alumni Association over the next two to three years.



COUNCIL MEMBERS CRAIG GOLDSTEIN AND GABRIELA KLIMES AT THE AGM RECEPTION



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# ALUMNI AUTHORS

Compiled by  
Kelly Nickie, Student Assistant, Alumni Affairs



## All the Pretty Girls

**Chandra Mayor (Collegiate '90, BA '04)**

Each of these stories is a glimpse into a young woman's life, spoken in her own voice. These are young women who roll pennies to buy toilet paper and roll their own cigarettes, but also watch their own children play in parks and wading pools, and watch the horizon for

other women, other possibilities.

Chandra Mayor is also the author of *Cherry*, a novel about the Winnipeg skinhead scene in the 1990s, which won the Carol Shields Winnipeg Book Award in 2005.



## Widows of Hamilton House

**Christina Penner (BSC '95, BA '99)**

After Ruth moves into a suite in Winnipeg's Hamilton House she discovers that world-famous séances were hosted in the building in the 1920s, led by Dr. Hamilton and his wife Lillian. Ruth, against the wishes of her conservative Mennonite family, delves into

the house's uncanny history and develops a fascination with the Hamilton family and the house they have both lived in.

Christina Penner currently teaches in the Computer Science Department at the University of Manitoba. She lives in Winnipeg with her family.



## The Prairie Bridesmaid

**Daria Salamon (BA '99)**

Anna Lasko is a frustrated schoolteacher in her thirties stuck in a dead-end relationship with a past rock and roll star. Anna's friends try to help by staging a "ditch-the-loser" intervention, which doesn't help while hearing the news of her beautiful

but rash sister moving to the Middle East. Luckily, she has her grandmother who teaches her that being alone can be meaningful, even when you are half-blind and old.

Daria Salamon is a freelance writer whose work has been published by the *Globe and Mail*, the *Winnipeg Free Press* and *Uptown Magazine*. She lives in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Please visit [www.theprairiebridesmaid.com](http://www.theprairiebridesmaid.com).



## Shadow-Town

**Duncan Thornton (BAH '87)**

Cousins Jack and Rose have been sent to their grandmother's farm for the summer. She warns them to stick to the road when traveling to Shadow-Town. The cousins deviate from the path into unknown territory, losing Jack's friend Tamlin to the Whisperers.

Soon the cousins are matching wits with the Dickensian Speculators, bunking with the mysterious Red Man, and riding the rails with the inhuman Clatterfolk. In their struggle to rescue Tamlin, they must outrun, outwit or align themselves with some extraordinary characters.

Duncan Thornton writes fiction, non-fiction, and drama for the radio and stage. He lives in Winnipeg.



## Your Friendly Neighbourhood Criminal

**Michael Van Rooy (BA '07)**

Ex-criminal Montgomery "Monty" Haaviko would rather be known as the friendly neighborhood daycare provider, but it's his criminal past that brings him to Marie Blue Duck. She is a human rights activist in Canada and wants Monty to set up a route to smuggle refugees into the United States from Canada.

Monty's careful plans are disrupted when he meets fellow thugs Samantha Richot and Hershel "Smiley" Wiebe.

Michael Van Rooy has worked as a restaurant manager, bartender, fishing guide, card dealer, news editor, freelance researcher, and cheese maker.



## The Tristan Chord

**Bettina von Kampen (BA '86)**

Near the end of World War II in Bayreuth, Germany, a composer meets a musically gifted SS officer. The officer has been posted to Bayreuth to perform with other SS members in the chorus of Wagner's *Die Meistersinger*. The soldier has committed

atrocities at Dachau, but his artistic nature is moved by the composer's unfinished opera, which he then steals.

Bettina von Kampen works as a physiotherapist and plays with the intrepid second violins in *Symphony Hamilton*.



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# CLASS ACTS

Compiled by  
John-Paul Knox, Student Assistant, Alumni Affairs

## 1930's

**Bell, Rietta (BA '35)** Rietta has been living at a Retirement Village – Shell Point – in Fort Myers, Florida for the past 16 years. She originally moved there with her husband, Jamie, who passed away 6 1/2 years ago – after 60 years of happy married life. Rietta is happy to report that her health is still good enough that she can take athletic and academic classes. She does Sittercise each morning for half an hour and is taking a course on how to prevent falls. For the mind, she just finished a course on Ancient Egyptian history, and will start a computer class this month. She is thankful for her opportunity to attend Wesley College during the difficult depression era, an experience that gave her the background to appreciate the fullness of her adult life.

## 1950's

**Bevan, Richard (Dick) (BA '52)** – Dick dropped by the alumni affairs office in July. He is retired in Victoria, BC and visits with his family in Winnipeg every year for a few weeks in the summer.



## 1960's

**Buckingham, Brett (The Collegiate '65, BA '69)** Brett is semi-retired, working part-time as a broadcaster for CJNU Nostalgia Radio. Brett also role-plays to help train City of Winnipeg Police recruits and is a Standardized Patient for med students and foreign doctors. Brett also works as a shuttler for car rental company.

**Grywinski, Terrence B. (BA Hons. '66)** For the past fifteen years Terrence has had his own practice in Sarasota doing Advanced Cranio Sacral Therapy, a therapy that deals with any kind of body pain. He has been married for five years to Elizabeth Power, executive

director of the Perlman Music Program, Sarasota.

**Nodelman, Perry (BA Hons. '64)** Dr. Nodelman retired from UWinnipeg's English faculty in 2005. His recent children's books include *Not a Nickel to Spare: The Great Depression Diary of Sally Cohen* published as part of Scholastic Canada's Dear Canada series, as well as *The Proof that Ghosts Exist*, which was co-written with Carol Matas. This latter book is the first book of the Ghosthunters Trilogy published by Key Porter. Book two of the series, *The Curse of the Emerald Eye*, is scheduled for publication next spring. Dr. Nodelman's academic book, *The Hidden Adult: Definitions of Children's Literature*, is forthcoming from Johns Hopkins University Press in September.

## 1970's

**Charlton, Margo (BA '75)** Margo completed a Master's in Environmental Studies at York University in 2006. Her thesis examining her work with the Popular Theatre Alliance of Manitoba, a company dedicated to working with the residents of Winnipeg's North End. In addition to working as a Grants Officer at the Toronto Arts Council, Margo recently founded Resonance Creative Consulting Partners, a company that conducts workshops and writes reports evaluating community-engaged arts practices.

**Fulford, Aden A. (BA '71)** Aden is currently retired and living in Winnipeg.

**Goodhand, Margo (BA Hons. '79)** Margo was appointed the editor of the Winnipeg Free Press in fall of 2007.

**Leckie, Wayne (BA '73)** After six years as superintendent/CEO of School District 27 and several more years in teaching and administration in BC, Wayne will return to Manitoba to serve as superintendent of Sunrise School Division. According to Sunrise Board Chair, Karen Carey, Wayne

was chosen based on "a combination of personality, work ethic, expertise with stringent provincial accountability systems, and eight years experience as the superintendent of rural school divisions".

## 1980's

**Daniels, Michele (The Collegiate '79, B.Sc. 4-Yr '86)** Michele works with Atlas Immunization Services as a travel nurse specialist. She is currently volunteering for the fourth time in Namibia with the Global Polio Eradication Initiatives' STOP 28 (Stop Transmission of Polio).

**Friesen, Larry (BA '80, B.Ed. '81)** Larry lives in Toronto working for the Toronto Transit Commission as a bus operator.

**Lightfoot [Taillon], Catherine (BA '87)**

Catherine lives in New Brunswick where she works as a branch manager at RBC.

**Lunn, Calum (B.Sc. '82)** After graduating from UWinnipeg in 1982 with a double major in chemistry and biology, Calum obtained a Diploma of Medical Science with merit in Medical Microbiology at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. He returned to Canada to study nursing and worked at the Rainy River Hospital for 5 years. In 1994 he became a flight nurse stationed in Churchill, MB and Rankin Inlet, NU before moving on to Critical Care International, where he helped patients return home from such countries as Cuba, Mexico, Panama, England, etc. He now enjoys a life of relative leisure helping his wife raise their two daughters in La Salle, MB, while also working for the Government of Canada.

Recently, Calum contributed a short story to the book *Northern Nurses*, the proceeds of which go to The Northern Nurses Memorial Fund. His story, approximately 13 pages long, describes the night that Calum and his wife made their way through a blizzard in Rankin Inlet, NU to help deliver premature twins at the nursing station.



## CLASS ACTS

### **MacTavish (nee Peters), Colita (BA '87)**

Colita is a regional audiologist with the Burntwood Regional Health Authority in Thompson, MB.

### **Mathur, Pratap (The Collegiate '83)**

Mathur is enjoying living in California and working at Microsoft Corporation.

### **McKay, Catherine (BA '86)**

Catherine is a senior travel consultant with Canadian Universities Travel Service here in Winnipeg, MB. Catherine is back in Winnipeg after working for a year in the company's Florida office. When she's not working on travel business, Catherine continues to train for marathons. She ran the Boston Marathon for the second time in April 2008.

### **Schroeder, Trudy (BA '82)**

Schroeder recently was honoured with a Women of Distinction Award from the YMCA-YWCA of Winnipeg. Schroeder, who served as executive director of the Winnipeg Folk Festival for ten years, began as executive director of the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra at the end of July. She is also renowned as a musical teacher and performer, having earned her ARCT in vocal performance from the Toronto Royal Conservatory of Music.

### **Stahr, Hans-Peter (BA '83)**

Hans-Peter is a data integrity analyst with the Smart Systems for Health Agency of the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long Term Care in Toronto, ON. He previously worked for the University Health Network and was seconded to the Ontario Ministry of Health's Wait Times Initiative Strategy project implementing the Enterprise Master Patient Index for the past two years prior to its transition to its permanent post-production owner, the newly created Client Registry Department at

Smart Systems for Health Agency (SSHA) on January 1, 2008.

**Venditti, Marcello (B.Sc. '89)** Marcello works at the University of Alberta in Edmonton.

### **Wiebe (nee Receveur), Mary Lynn (BA '83)**

Following graduation, Mary Lynn entered a social work program in Saskatchewan. She graduated with a BSW in 1992 and began working as a sexual assault counsellor. After 5 years in that field, Mary Lynn began working for the Health Region doing general counselling before eventually moving into the addiction field. She has now begun to specialize in addiction work with young offenders and is really loving her work. Mary Lynn married Curtis Wiebe in 1999 and they live in a small town near Saskatoon, SK with their 2 daughters, Sara and Christina.

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## 1990's

### **Aysan, Tim (The Collegiate '88, BA '91)**

Tim is currently living in Toronto and is the director of Billing Operations at Telus.

**Cassidy, Christian (BA '92)** Christian resides in Winnipeg and is corporate services officer at the International Centre for Infectious Diseases.

**Ee, Ai Li (BA '94)** Ai Li currently works as an administration manager at Wachovia Bank in Hong Kong.

**Fernando, Anton Nevill Kumar (BA '97)** lives and works in Winnipeg.

**Gamache [Peek], Leia (BA Hons. '96)** Leia lives and is self-employed in Calgary as a life coach at WhiteFire Coaching.

**Johnson, Gavin (BA '94)** Johnson is a lecturer at Qatar University after earning an M.Ed. in Second Language Education from the University of Wollongong in Australia in 2006.

**Leong, Angelynn (B.Sc. 4-Yr '94)** Angelynn now works as a senior IT analyst for The National Healthcare Group in Malaysia.

**Shaklaon, Mohamed (B.Sc. 4-Yr. '91)** Shaklaon is the president and owner of Chinook Transport Services in Calgary, AB.

**Tay, Andrew Yew Meng (BA '94, B.Sc. '96)** After twelve years working with Hewlett-Packard in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Andrew recently moved to Hitachi Data Systems Cyberjaya, Malaysia.

**Wong, Yok Chiang (BA '94)** Yok Chiang is a sales manager with Computer Systems Advisers in Petaling Jaya, Malaysia.

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## 2000's

**Allan, Nicole (BA 4-Yr '03)** Nicole works as a social worker in a personal care home here in Winnipeg.

**Balx, Kyle (BA 4-Yr '07)** Kyle is now works as a television news reporter in Medicine Hat, Alberta.

**Beange, Jaya (BA Hons. '06, B.Sc. '07)** Jaya completed a MA in Architecture at McGill University and is working in the JET Program in Japan.

**Boli, Richard (BA 4-Yr '06)** Richard is a development instructor with St. Amant Centre in Winnipeg, MB.



Edmonton alumni of The University of Winnipeg attended a cocktail reception and presentation on new developments at The University of Winnipeg hosted by Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice-Chancellor of The University of Winnipeg on Wednesday, August 27, 2008 at The Fairmont Hotel MacDonald in Edmonton.



## CLASS ACTS

**Caines, Estelle (BA '02)** Caines is currently director of Access Services for Lake of the Woods Child Development Centre in Dryden, managing intake and service coordination for children's services and adult developmental services and adult developmental services across the Kenora/Rainy River districts.

**Chan, Mark (The Collegiate '01, BA '06)** Mark works as a finance assistant with The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce and is happy to report that as of June 2008 he successfully became a permanent resident of Canada.

**Esselmont, Christine (BA Hons. '06)** Christine is currently enrolled in the Philosophy MA program at Queen's University in Kingston, where she is studying the relation between moral and political philosophy and the philosophy of emotion.

**Fouad, David (BA '03)** David works in Winnipeg as a senior account manager with RBC, and is completing a Personal Financial Planning (PFP) designation through Canadian Securities Institute. David is also involved with the Winnipeg Junior Chamber of Commerce and volunteers in the Manitoba Dragon Boat Races. He actively serves his church, Springs, and enjoys being a sailing member of the Gimli Yacht Club.

**Gilroy, Matthew (BA '05)** Matthew is a sales associate with Vespa Metro Vancouver.

**Greenwood, Lisa (BA '03, DCE '05)** Lisa lives in Winnipeg and works as recruiting consultant with People First HR Services.

**Hamilton, Matthew (BA Hons. '06)** This September Matthew will begin an MA Program in Theory, Culture, and Politics at Trent University in Ontario.

**Huang, Yunkai (The Collegiate '06)** Yunkai is currently an instructor at Honghe University in Mengzi, Yunnan, China.

**Kataoka, Tomoko (BA Hons. '07)** Tomoko is currently living in Kitchener, Ontario.

**Kyle, Kerr (BA '04)** Kerr recently transferred from Iqaluit, Nunavut, where he worked with Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, to work in Vancouver as a human resources generalist with the Canada Border Services Agency. Outside of work, Kerr volunteers with the homeless and hungry in downtown Vancouver.

**Liebrecht, Richard (BA 4-Yr. '07)** After just six months of employment there, Richard has become the editor of Alberta's Hinton Parklander newspaper. During his job he regularly employs the critical thinking skills he learned while at UWinnipeg.

**Lim, Fung Tet (BA Hons. '06)** Currently living in Kitchener, Ontario, Fung works as a securities analyst and equity trader at Title Trading Services, Inc.

**Marynick, Catherine (B.Sc. '08)** Catherine is currently career hunting here in Winnipeg.



**McBurney, Matthew (B.Sc. 4-Yr '05)** Matthew recently successfully defended his Master of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) at the University of Calgary. Now he has returned to Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada to work as a GIS analyst.

**Singer, Ben (B.Sc. Hons. '04)** After working as a journalist in Kenya, Ben is now an editorial assistant at the CBC in Toronto, ON.

**Swart, Philip (BA 4-Yr '06)** Phil wrote the Uniform Final Exam in mid September 2007 and found out he passed on November 30, 2007 and is now a chartered



accountant. The graduation ceremony was in February 2008 where he received both the Great West Life Leadership Award (This award is presented to the successful UFE candidate who exemplifies leadership in community, work, and academic activities) and the William G. Eamer Award (This award recognizes overall academic achievement in the Chartered Accountant School of Business program). He is working at Meyers Norris Penny accounting firm as an auditor. Phil was recently appointed treasurer for The Knights of Columbus St. James Council #4557. And best of all, Phil is engaged to be married in the summer of 2009.

**Tan, Jonathan (BA '05)** Jonathan currently lives in Ottawa and works as a political officer with the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in Ottawa.

**Tucker, Cameron (B.Sc. 4-Yr '01)** Cameron is currently completing a Master's in Divinity at Regent College in Vancouver.



**Zuniga, Domingo (B.Sc. 4-Yr '00)** Domingo lives in Winnipeg and is self-employed as a dentist.



**Joanne DiCosimo (BA Hons. '74)** President and CEO of the Canadian Museum of Nature with Dr. Lloyd Axworthy, President and Vice-Chancellor of The University of Winnipeg at the Ottawa Alumni Reception held at the Museum on Oct 21, 2008. Guests enjoyed a tour of the Canadian Museum of Nature's new exhibit halls before the reception.



# IN MEMORIAM

Compiled by  
John-Paul Knox, BAH 2009

The University of Winnipeg 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.

## 1920s

**Ridgeway, Alice M** (T 1925) on August 13, 2008 in Stonewall, MB

## 1930s

**Cole, Dorothy** (BA '37) on Feb. 22, 2008 in Victoria, BC  
**Gamey, Lucy [Pat]** (BA '31) on Mar. 27, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Graham, Alice Mabel** (BA '35) on September 24, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Machula, John** (The Collegiate '32) on Apr. 20, 2008 in Vita, MB  
**Marchant, Lawrence** (The Collegiate '31) on March 30, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**McGrath [Bolton], M Marie** (The Collegiate '35) on June 4, 2008, in Winnipeg  
**Pastuk, Russell** (BA '33) on Mar. 31, 2008 in Calgary, AB  
**Rogers, Florence Dorothy** (The Collegiate '35, BA '78) on July 21, 2007 in Winnipeg  
**Stevens, Madge Olwyn** (BA '37, BED '45) on Apr. 30, 2008 in Winnipeg

## 1940s

**Campbell, G. Cameron** (Assoc. Alumnus '47, HD '89) on Mar. 22, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Clay, Ronald W.** (The Collegiate '47) on May 26, 2008  
**Dempsey, William A.** (BA '42) on August 15, 2008 in Carberry, MB  
**Long, James A.** (The Collegiate '41) on May 31, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Marcus, Robert John** (BA '47) on June 10, 2008 in BC  
**Nilsson, Vera** (The Collegiate '43) on Apr. 11, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Oxby, Nora** (The Collegiate '41) on May 12, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Sumner [Currie], Elaine** (BA '42) on July 13, 2008 in Ottawa, ON  
**Waston, Sister Philippa (Dorothy)** (BA '44) on September 1, 2008 in North York, ON

## 1950s

**Brock, Helen** (The Collegiate '59) on Apr. 16, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Dickman (Koop), Irene** (BA '54) in September 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Hinds, Robert Stuart** (The Collegiate '58) on June 18, 2008 in Dartmouth, NS  
**Laberge (Lobb), Rosemary** (BA '50) in Winnipeg  
**McKay, Hughena** (The Collegiate '53) on July 6, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Rohl, Albert** (The Collegiate '57) on June 29, 2008 in Winnipeg

## 1960s

**Harvey, Jack G.** (The Collegiate '62, Assoc. Alum '67) on July 21, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Hunter, John McVicar** (The Collegiate '60) on September 16, 2008 in Winnipeg

**Klein, Helmut** (BA '69) on July 7, 2008 in Duncan, BC  
**Klemens, Jennifer** (The Collegiate '67, BA '76) on May 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**McDonald, Val** (BA '61) on June 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Metcalfe, William J.** (BA '62) on April 16, 2008 in Cornwall, ON  
**Shepherd, James Malcolm** (The Collegiate '64) on May 25, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Smith, Rev. Ivan** (B.Th. '67) on July 31, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Tweedie [Stewart], Berniece** (BA '39) on September 21, 2008 in Winnipeg

## 1970s

**Blackwell, Dorothy J.** (BA '74) on August 23, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Cain, Robert D.** (B.Sc '70) on October 5, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Christianson, M Wayne** (B.Sc. '72) on May 13, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Dicosimo, Philip P.** (BA '75) on May 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Dupont (Rey), Denise** (BA '73) on August 20, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Hildebrand, John Charles** (BA '70) on September 22, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Klemas, Alben Joseph** (BA '72) on Apr. 20, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Klemens, Jennifer** (The Collegiate '67, BA '76) on May 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**March, Carl Martin** (BA '72) on May 6, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Pollock, Raymond** (The Collegiate '74) on May 4, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Rennie, Dorothy** (BA '79) on May 17, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Rogers, Florence Dorothy** (The Collegiate '35, BA '78) on July 21, 2007 in Winnipeg

## 1980s

**Bendera, Lorry** (BA '85) on June 27, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Campbell, G. Cameron** (Assoc. Alumnus '47, HD '89) on Mar. 22, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Gusberti, Garth** (BA '83) on Sept. 6, 2000 in Winnipeg  
**Koodoo, David** (B.Sc. '85) on June 23, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Prefontaine, Philippe** (The Collegiate '86) on Dec. 21, 2006 in Winnipeg  
**Tottle, Hilda** (BA '83) on Apr. 12, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Tymchyshyn, Lloyd** (B.Sc. '84) on October 6, 2008 in Winnipeg

## 1990s

**Annable, Elsie** (EADP '04) on September 10, 2008 in Winnipeg

## 2000s

**Weiss, Philip** (LLD '03) on September 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Wah, Tsang Chun** (The Collegiate '06) on September 16, 2008 in Winnipeg

## FACULTY and STAFF

**Clake, Dr. John** (Psychology) on August 3, 2008 in Winnipeg  
**Davis, Dr. Stephen** (Psychology) on April 2, 2008 in Weslaco, Texas.  
**Rooke, Dr. Constance** (President and Vice Chancellor 1999-2002) on Oct. 4, 2008 in Toronto, ON  
**Wilson, June** (DCE) on November 15, 2008 in Winnipeg

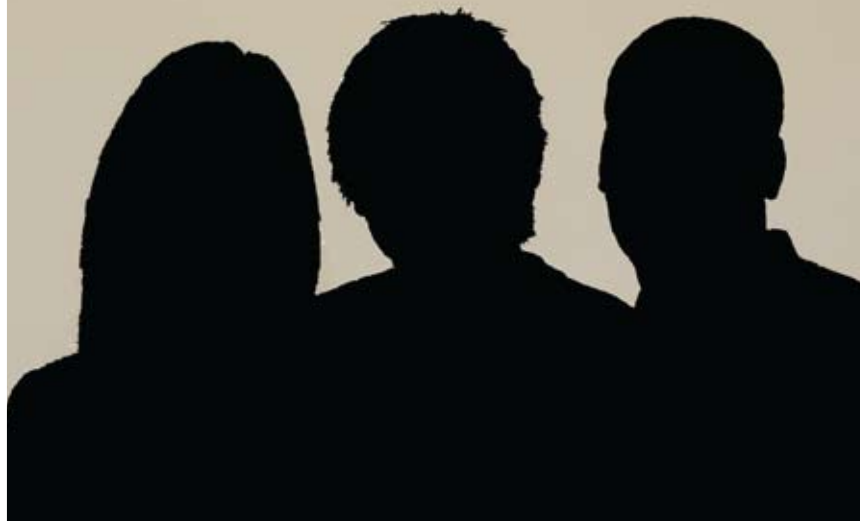


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