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Feedback

Dear Editor,

I extend my congratulations to Kristjan Thorkelson on his extremely generous support of the Thorkelson Undergraduate Lab at the new Faculty of Pharmacy. Patient care will be improved far into the future because of the improved education of pharmacists and the improved collaboration with other health professionals. I also want to express my appreciation for having my name on the lab (almost).

Yours Sincerely,

Lynne Thorkelsson,
PPh, BScPharm/67
Humber Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning
Toronto, ON

Alastair G.W. Cameron, a Harvard astrophysicist, Winnipegger, and University of Manitoba alumnus died on October 3, 2005. A former student remembers him and writes...

Dear Editor,

I was a student at the University of Manitoba Medical School at the Broadway campus, 1945-47. During that time Dr. Cameron taught us Biochemistry. It was uncomplicated compared to Chem today but I remember him well. His son was a fine scientist as well.

L. Daniel Stern, MD/52

Thank You

The Alumni Association would like to thank Holly Campbell for her contributions to the Association and to On Manitoba. In May, she left the Association to assume the position of Administrative Assistant to the Associate Vice-President (Finance). We wish Holly well with this exciting opportunity.

Spread the Word:

The Arthur V. Mauro Centre for Peace and Justice is the first Canadian institution to offer a doctoral program in peace and conflict studies.
At the Annual General Meeting on June 21, the Alumni Association thanked several volunteers for their contributions and also welcomed new board and committee members. The evening began with Vice-President (Research) Joanne Keselman, BA/73, MA/75, PhD/78, who brought greetings on behalf of the university. Alumni Association President Bruce Miller recognized accomplishments of the past year and thanked those who are stepping down from the board.

The new executive committee was also introduced with: Bruce Miller, BRS/99, past-president; Rennie Zegalski, BComm(Hons)/95, president; Brian Bowman, BA(Adv)/96, JD, vice-president; Anuj Maini, BA/03, treasurer; Christina Whittaker, BN/83, MN/02, CDE, board representative and Karen Gamey, BHEc/78, secretary, ex-officio.

DHALLA ELECTED AS BOARD REPRESENTATIVE

After a recent election, Romel Dhalla, BA/99, BComm(Hons)/04, was appointed the new Alumni Association representative to the University of Manitoba Board of Governors, succeeding Ian C.P. Smith, PhD.

Dhalla is an Investment Advisor with BMO Nesbitt Burns and a passionate advocate for the University. As a student, he served on many university committees, notably the Academic Senate and Board of Governors. Currently, Dhalla also serves as Vice-President of the Network of Indian Professionals of North America, a 5000-member organization.

The University of Manitoba Board of Governors is the governing body of the University and is comprised of 23 voting members, including three Alumni Association representatives who each serve a three-year term. In addition to Dhalla, the other representatives are Wayne Anderson and Douglas Ward.

WELCOME NEW STAFF

The Alumni Association recently welcomed two new staff members to its team. In May, Denise Proulx (BA/99) assumed the role of Alumni Assistant, replacing Jocelyn Advent, now a trainer for the Aurora student information system. In June, Leslie Lyman (BHEc/96) began as Alumni Assistant to the Executive Director, replacing Holly Campbell who has assumed a new role as Administrative Assistant to the Associate Vice-President (Finance).
The Alumni Association recognized John Foerster (BScMed/61, MD/61), recipient of the 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award, during a reception on June 21.

Foerster is recognized for his contribution to the university, to the medical profession and to advancing medical research in the province. The commitment he has demonstrated through professional and volunteer activities encompasses a broad scope of influence in all aspects of life. He is a professor at the University of Manitoba Faculty of Medicine and a specialist in hematology and oncology. For 20 years he was also Executive Director of Research at St. Boniface General Hospital.

After conducting postgraduate studies in Salt Lake City, New York City and at the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, he returned to the University of Manitoba in 1969 and, until 1975, worked at the Cancer Foundation and Children’s Hospital. He came to St. Boniface as Head of the Department of Internal Medicine in 1975 and was instrumental in the development of the St. Boniface Hospital Research Centre, of which he became Director in 1986.

The Research Centre itself opened in 1988 and grew from a zero base line to a staff of 300 today, while its research budget increased from $1 million to $20.5 million today. The Centre has developed outstanding programs in research on heart disease, magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy, nutraceuticals, degenerative diseases of the nervous system, including Alzheimer’s disease and strokes, as well as laboratories dealing with sleep-related breathing disorders, panic disorders, anaesthesia, robotics, kidney diseases, infectious diseases, and nursing research.

A doubling of the research space with special emphasis on clinical research is in the process of being completed. This Asper Clinical Research Institute will focus on clinical trials, robotic assisted surgery and robotically controlled IV pharmacy systems, the development of health information system programs, and a special emphasis on clinical cardiovascular research. These developments are expected to increase the total amount of research space at St. Boniface Hospital to 200,000 square feet and the total research staff to 600, including some 60 Principal Investigators.

In the medical community, he has served on numerous local, national and international committees, including: the Canada West Health Innovation Council; Co-Chair of the Manitoba Task Force for Building a Health Research Strategy for Manitoba; one of two Canadian delegates to the Carnegie Expert Meeting on Bioethics in Tokyo, Japan; and as a Canadian delegate and contributor to the Advisory to G7 Ministers of Science.

For his accomplishments, Foerster has received many awards and honours including the Manitoba Order of the Buffalo Hunt in 1989, the Manitoba Medical Association Distinguished Service Award in 1997, the “Who is Who in Health Care” Annual Award by the Canadian Healthcare Manager in 2000, and the St. Boniface General Hospital and Research Foundation International Award in 2004.

Foerster continues to give back to the community as both he and his wife are active members of the McDermot Avenue Baptist Church in Winnipeg. He has served as a board member of the North American Baptist Seminary in Sioux Falls and received the Providence College and Seminary Distinguished Christian Leadership Award in 2000. In the local community, he has served as a board member for Meadowood Manor, a non-profit corporation providing housing and personal care to the elderly.

In addition to his medical, research and community endeavours, Foerster and his wife enjoy spending time with their three children David, Steven and Susan and their families, including six grandchildren. When not working or volunteering in the community, he enjoys relaxing at his cottage.

Foerster was nominated by Alan Ronald (BScMed/61, MD/61) and will officially receive the award at the University’s fall convocation.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is presented annually to an alumnus or alumna who demonstrates outstanding professional achievement, significant service to the University of Manitoba, and significant contributions to the community and to the welfare of others.
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13
Faculty of Education Alumni Association Homecoming 2006
Room 200 Education Building  7 PM
For more information, contact Terry Cooke at
cooket@ms.umanitoba.ca or phone (204) 474-9170

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 14
Gala Music Concert
No charge to attend, tickets available at Alumni House
Eva Clare Hall  7 PM
For more information, contact the Alumni Association
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FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15
Smartpark Interactive Speaker Series
Featuring Nestor Burtnyk and Ken Zorniak
No charge to attend
135 Innovation Drive, Fort Garry Campus  8 AM
Fort Garry Campus Tours
Tours leave Alumni House at 10:00 AM, 180 Dafoe Road
For more information, contact the Alumni Association
at (204) 474-9946

Bannatyne Campus Tours
Tours leave the front of the book store at 1:30 PM, Brodie Centre
For more information, contact Tammy at (204) 977-5650

Arts Celebrating Arts Luncheon and Awards
Great Hall, University College  12:00 PM (noon)
For more information, contact Betty at (204) 474-7321

Arts Celebrating Arts Social Evening
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Back to School
Sit in on Arts courses, listing available early September
on www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/arts

Engineering Homecoming Wine, Cheese and Tour
Room E2-229, EITC 2:00 PM
For more information contact Amber at (204) 474-9034

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16
Homecoming Football Game
University of Manitoba vs University of Calgary
Doors open at 12 noon, Kickoff at 1 PM
Half price tickets available through the Alumni Association
(204) 474-9946
Homecoming Post Game Party
Tavern United at Canad Inns Fort Garry

HOMECOMING REUNION DINNER
Canad Inns Polo Park  1405 St. Matthews Avenue
The highlight of Homecoming weekend is the annual Homecoming dinner. Join your classmates on a trip down memory lane while enjoying a delicious five course meal served with complimentary wine. Reminisce about your days on campus and the fun of being a student.

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17
President’s Luncheon- Class of 1936 and 1946
University Club  12:00 noon
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Active can also join us after dinner at 9:00 for dessert and dancing for only $10.00 per person (free if you come in a toga!).
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It's still all Greek to me September 15, 2006

University of Manitoba Alumni Association
University of Manitoba Bisons vs. University of Calgary

Football game $10 per person (but only $5 if you purchase your tickets by Friday, September 15, 2006 at noon).

Doors open at 12 PM – Kick off at 1 PM

Bring the whole family out for an afternoon of fun. Meet Billy the Bison, Ally the Educator and many more mascots from Winnipeg. Wear your Brown and Gold and cheer on the Bisons as they challenge the University of Calgary. Join the pre game party for face painting, children’s activities and much more. Half price tickets are available through Alumni House, or on the registration form attached.

Football Post Game Party!

Join us for the Homecoming Post Game Party @ Tavern United, Canad Inns-Fort Garry. Meet your favorite Bison players, Enjoy Happy Hour Drink Prices & 1/2 price Wings & Nachos from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Support Bison Sports – chow down on a Bison Burger & $1.00 goes towards Bison Sports.
More than 150 alumni and friends attended the Calgary event. Pictured are Doug Ruth, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, and Tom Lamb (BScCE/41).

Approximately 100 attended this event. Pictured are: Dawn Krahn (nee Wuskynyk) (BN/92, MN/04), Dawn Cayer (nee Semeniuk) (BN/92), and Daralea Gravett (BSc/93).

More than 200 alumni and friends attended this event. Pictured are Simma Holt (BA/44) and Hsin Kan Chen (BSc/44).

James Kodowski (BScCE/80), Beverly Cox (BComm/79), Judy Wilson (BScCE/81, MBA), Asper School of Business, and Rob Burt (BScCE/80).

Derek McLean, St. John’s College, Janet Hoskins, Warden, St. John’s College, Heather Young, and LaVerne Fraser.

John Bergen (BSc/49, BEd/50, MEd/59), Jerome Eli and R. Neil Moore (BComm/Hons/71).

More than 90 people attended this event in Victoria. Pictured are Brian Macpherson, Faculty of Science, Emil Hain (BScCE/59) and Margot Hamilton, Director of Development.

Robert Mullally, Dean, Faculty of Social Work, Lisa Howe (BN/78), Glen Roy.

Emilie Szathmáry, President and Vice-Chancellor, Birdie Garney (BA/35), Richard Sigurdson, Dean, Faculty of Arts.

On March 18, the university sponsored a Manitoba Moose game with special ticket prices for alumni and friends as well as prizes. Pictured at the event are (l-r): Moose captain Mike Keane, Bruce Miller, Alumni Association President, John Alho, Associate Vice-President (External), The University of Manitoba, and Andrew Paterson (BA/94), Manitoba Moose.

Events

**CALGARY, MARCH 29**

**EDMONTON, MARCH 30**

**VANCOUVER, APRIL 26**

**VICTORIA, APRIL 27**

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The University of Manitoba conferred degrees, diplomas and certificates on 2,966 graduates during five sessions of its 2006 Spring convocation. This is the highest number of graduating students in 12 years; there were 3,006 graduates in the spring of 1994.

Honorary degrees were presented to: The Very Reverend, The Honourable Lois Wilson (BA/47) a champion of social justice and religious understanding who has devoted her life to public service and social activism; Les Wardrop (BScEE/39, BScCE/47) who has made an enormous contribution to the advancement of science and engineering throughout the nation; Yude Henteleff (BSA/47, LLB/51), a lawyer by trade, who has spent a lifetime supporting community projects and promoting and helping with human rights projects around the world; Peter Herrndorf (BA/62) who has devoted his career to journalism and the arts in Canada; and Robert Ledingham (BID/64) of Vancouver-based Ledingham Design Consultants who has held a distinguished career in Interior Design.

The Peter D. Curry Chancellor’s Award, honouring an individual who has made distinguished contributions to university governance and/or development, was presented to Elaine Goldie (CertEd), Vice-President (External). The R.C. Armatage Award, given annually to a student who becomes involved in and committed to the betterment of student life by serving on committees, councils and other governing bodies within the university, was presented to Jennifer Signy Gerrard (BA(Adv)/06).

The Dr. and Mrs. D.R. Campbell Outreach Award was presented to Gordon Giesbrecht, (BPE/85, MPE/86, PhD/90), physical education and recreation studies. The award recognizes university staff for tireless community service. The President’s Award for Excellence was presented to Linda Chartier, business manager, dentistry.

The Dr. and Mrs. H.S. Saunderson Award for excellence in teaching was presented to Brenda Cantelo (BA/81, MA/87, PhD/98), religion; Robert Emmett Finnegan, English; and Donald Trim (PhD), mathematics. The Olive Beatrice Stanton Award for excellence in teaching was presented to Mary Ann Steggles (BFA(H)AH/87, MA/90), School of Art. The Graduate Students’ Association Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching was presented to Dilantha Fernando (PhD), plant science.

This year, the following faculty received the honour of Distinguished Professor: Julia Kwong (PhD), sociology; Garry L. Martin (PhD), psychology; and Leslie Roos (PhD), community health sciences.

Each year the Board of Governors confers Emeritus status on academic staff members who distinguish themselves in leadership, scholarship and teaching. The following received the distinction of Professor Emeritus: Peter Bailey (PhD); Raymond Wiest (PhD); Waldemar Lehn (BScEP/61, MScEE); Steve Onyshko (PhD); and James Reid (PhD). The distinction President Emeritus was presented to Arnold Naimark (BScMed/57, MD/57, MSc/60).
UNIVERSITY TO BE FEATURED ON CHINESE TELEVISION

In May and June, a film crew from China’s television network, CCTV, was at the University of Manitoba shooting footage for a documentary series entitled “World Famous Universities.” Once produced, it will be a 20 minute segment highlighting all aspects of the university, including student life, research and academic programs which will air in China on CCTV’s youth network channel. The University of Manitoba is one of only four universities to be profiled in the documentary. The other three are the University of Alberta, the University of Toronto and the University of British Columbia.

ALUMNUS SUPPORTS ST. JOHN’S THEATRE

In May, Robert B. Schultz (BComm/65, CA/69), noted businessman, presented the university with a gift of $500,000 in support of a new lecture theatre for St. John’s College. “I have been fortunate to have had a very successful career in the financial industry and I appreciate the role that the University of Manitoba played in providing me with a first class education,” notes Schultz. A native of Winnipeg, Schultz was formerly Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Merrill Lynch Canada, a role he assumed in August 1998, after orchestrating the merger of Midland Walwyn with Merrill Lynch. He is currently Executive Chairman of Rockwater Capital Corporation, a financial services holding company listed on the TSX.

BOOK CHRONICLES UNIVERSITY LIFE

In October, the university will launch a book which will provide a snapshot of a year in the life of the University of Manitoba. Starting with Sneaker Day on campus in 2005, photographer Tom Thomson has been an “honourary member” of the university while he has attended events during the past year to capture them on film. “We’re calling it a documentary book,” says Julie Mikuska (BA/80), Executive Assistant to the Vice-President (External). “It’s not meant to be a history, although there will be some room for reflection in the book. It will have something to offer to anyone who has an interest in the university.” For more information, please check the project web site at www.tomthomson.com/uofm.

TAKE THE HISTORIC WALKING TOUR

The University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections recently completed a project to identify historic buildings on campus, which includes the preparation of a Building History Walking Tour. “The university has so much history and we wanted to make this information available to students, staff and the general public by producing plaques,” says Brett Lougheed (BA(Hons)/00, MA/05), a recent graduate who coordinated the project. “The plaques, placed at high visibility locations on 40 buildings on both the Fort Garry and Bannatyne campuses, share a brief history of each building.”

Archives & Special Collections then partnered with the Alumni Association, the Vice-President (External) and Public Affairs to present this information into a self-guided walking tour brochure which highlights eight of the Fort Garry campus’ most historically interesting buildings and offers little-known facts. Brochures can be picked up at Alumni House, Archives & Special Collections, and Public Affairs.
At an event to celebrate the completion of two terms as St. Paul’s College Rector, John J. Stapleton (PhD) also received surprising news from the Pope. “Archbishop James Weisgerber said some very nice things about me and then suddenly he presented me with a papal bull,” explains Stapleton, referring to the official document from Pope Benedict XVI that recognizes him as a Knight of St. Gregory the Great.

The Knighthood is considered to be the most prestigious papal honour that can be bestowed on a layperson who has distinguished themselves through service on behalf of the church and society. Dr. Stapleton will be invested with the insignia of the Knighthood at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19 at Christ the King Chapel. Stepping down as Rector in summer 2006, after a sabbatical, he plans to return as a full-time faculty member in 2007.

During his tenure as Rector, some highlights include: opening the Arthur V. Mauro Centre for Peace and Justice; introducing several innovative programs such as the Arthur Mauro Centre’s PhD program in Peace and Conflict Studies and the BA (minor) in Catholic studies program; and developing a recruitment campaign that has nearly doubled the college’s student body.
This summer marks the tenth anniversary of my appointment as the University of Manitoba’s president. I have a decade’s worth of observations, and I believe I have learned much about the character of the university I serve.

In 2002, when the University celebrated its 125th anniversary I said that, “there is something magnificent about the University of Manitoba - in its sheer stubbornness to be what a university should be, to dare to think that it could be first rate in the things that matter.” I have had no reason to change my mind in the years since. The academic standing of this institution, and in particular, its research prowess, are well known. ReSearch Infosource, a periodical that describes itself as “Canada’s Source of R & D Intelligence” ranks the University of Manitoba as 12th on its 2005 top 50 research universities list. 90 percent of our undergraduate students who participated in the 2005 Survey of Undergraduate Students, undertaken by 28 universities involved in the Canadian Undergraduate Survey Consortium, said that they were satisfied (and more) with their decision to attend the University of Manitoba. Such commentaries mean a lot, but I had more in mind when I called our university magnificent. For me that means that the institution has tried throughout its history to bring out the best in the people who work and study here. This issue of On Manitoba shows what that best might be, just by reporting on those the University as well as the Alumni Association have chosen to honour this year, and by its focus on a special alumna in its lead article.

Universities reflect the character of the cities in which they are embedded...
With the addition of Ashley Voth, Bison Women’s Volleyball Coach Ken Bentley (BA/92) is especially optimistic. Voth is joining the Bisons as a first year player in September but Bentley is familiar with the St. Mary’s Academy grad, coaching her to an 18 & Under division championship earlier this year.

“She’s an extremely talented player,” says Bentley. “We’re fortunate to have Ashley on our team and I’m confident that we can be competitive.” Voth is also the 2004 Sport Manitoba Female Athlete of the Year and recipient of the Mike Burchuk award, presented to the top graduating female volleyball player.

As a women’s volleyball coach, Bentley has also enjoyed success. He is the only coach to have a team at the last 16 consecutive CIS Championships, winning five national titles, three silver medals and four bronze medals. Bentley also led Team Manitoba to a gold medal at the 1987 Canada Games. In all, Bentley has won 13 national championships. In addition, he has been an assistant coach with the Women’s National Team including the 1996 Summer Olympic team in Atlanta.

The University of Manitoba Women’s Basketball Team is proud to announce the creation of the Pat (Pisnook) Boland Memorial Award, which will be given annually starting in 2006-07 to a student athlete from the women’s basketball program who demonstrates excellence academically, leadership on the court and acts as a role model for young women through her volunteer work in the community. The award will be valued at $1500 annually.

The Bison Women’s Alumni have guaranteed the award until which time an endowment fund has generated enough funds to carry the award forward. Donations to this fund are now being accepted. To make a donation in Pat’s memory, please forward your cheque payable to:

University of Manitoba,
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124 Frank Kennedy Centre
Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2N2

Pat Boland (BA/63, CertEd/64) played on the Bisons from 1960-64 and passed away on January 7, 2006 after battling cancer.

The Bison golf teams ended their 2005-06 season with third place finishes at the 2006 RCGA (Royal Canadian Golf Association) Canadian University/College Championship. Brad Kirton led the men’s squad with a cumulative score of 291 – tied for third best in the Championship. Joining him on the men’s team were: Captain Scott Markham; Tyler Mancini; Scott Borsa and Brian Kornelsen. The women’s team improved 18 shots from the first round and improved every round throughout the four-day tournament to finish in third place. Members of the team were: Mindy Lichtman; Faye Zachendiak; Angela Klindtworth; Anne Thorimbert and Vanessa Watson.

Bison men’s golf member Brad Kirton has qualified for the 2006 World University Golf Championship, which will run from September 5-9, 2006 in Torino, Italy. This is the 11th annual Championship and Kirton is the fifth Bison to represent Team Canada in the prestigious event.

At the completion of the 2005-06 season, Bison Sports reached a new high in CIS Academic All-Canadians with 66 University of Manitoba student-athletes qualifying by achieving a 3.5 grade point average or better based on a 4.5 scale in their field of study at the University of Manitoba. This total represents over 22 per cent of the 294 total number of student-athletes.
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NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HIV/AIDS RESEARCH PIONEER

Allan Ronald
(BScMed/61, MD/61), a pioneer of the University of Manitoba’s world-renowned infectious disease research program in Africa, has been named the recipient of the 2006 Wightman Award.

Given by the Gairdner Foundation, the prestigious award recognizes Canadians who have demonstrated outstanding leadership in medicine and medical science. Only twelve Wightman Awards have been presented in the Foundation’s 47-year history, and the last award, presented in 2001, was given to University of Manitoba researcher and Distinguished Professor Emeritus Henry Friesen.

Born in Portage la Prairie, MB, Ronald trained in Manitoba, Maryland, Washington and Pakistan before returning to the University of Manitoba’s Faculty of Medicine in 1968 to head its infectious disease unit. He led the department of medical microbiology from 1976 to 1985, and the department of internal medicine from 1985 to 1990. He also served as Medicine’s associate dean of research from 1993 to 1996.

Ronald has spent the better part of three decades studying infectious diseases in Africa, and in 1980, he established an infectious disease research partnership between the University of Manitoba and the University of Nairobi that has since become one of the world’s leading HIV/AIDS research programs.

Since retiring in 2002, Ronald has worked to establish the HIV/AIDS Care and Prevention Program in Uganda, along with that country’s first large-scale HIV clinic. “I’ve been able to make a contribution, largely through motivating wonderful people in Winnipeg and Manitoba to become interested in Africa and HIV science,” Ronald said. “It’s been a very good trip, and I really appreciate all of my colleagues who made it happen.”

NEW RESEARCH LEADERS FOR ST. BONIFACE GENERAL HOSPITAL

In January 2006, Grant Pierce (PhD/83), physiology, was appointed as Executive Director of Research at St. Boniface General Hospital, replacing John Foerster.

Pierce is internationally recognized for his research on metabolism, nutrition and cardiovascular health, and he was instrumental in the development of the Canadian Centre for Agri-food Research in Health and Medicine (CCARM). Located at the St. Boniface General Hospital Research Centre, CCARM is a joint initiative of Agriculture and Agri-food Canada, St. Boniface General Hospital and the University of Manitoba.

Replacing Pierce as CCARM’s Team Leader is Peter Zahradka (PhD), physiology. An expert on the molecular mechanisms involved in vascular disease, Zahradka has collaborated with researchers from a wide range of disciplines, including Paul Fernyhough (PhD), a neuropharmacologist from the University of Sheffield who joined the University of Manitoba in 2004. Fernyhough, pharmacology, is the Research Centre’s Director of the Division of Neurodegenerative Disorders.

This spring also saw a new Director for the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences, a partnership between the University of Manitoba and St. Boniface General Hospital. Larry Hryshko (PhD/87), physiology, succeeded Naranjan Dhalla, physiology, a world-renowned heart researcher and Distinguished Professor. Dhalla stepped down after two decades as Director of the Division of Cardiovascular Studies, which became the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences in 1996. Hryshko, who holds a Canada Research Chair in Cardiac Electrophysiology, joined the Division of Cardiovascular Sciences in 1994.

CANDA RESEARCH CHAIR COUNT ON THE RISE

In the first half of 2006, the University was awarded eight more Canada Research Chairs (CRC), bringing the total number of CRCs at the University of Manitoba to 44. The newest chair holders are:

- Diana Brydon (PhD), English, CRC in globalization and cultural studies
- Michelle Driedger (PhD), community health sciences, CRC in environment and health risk communication
- Ehab El-Salahawy (PhD), civil engineering, CRC in advanced composite materials and monitoring of civil infrastructure
- Joyce Green (PhD), Native studies/political studies, CRC in Aboriginal Canadian studies
- Andrew Halayko (MSc/88, PhD/97), physiology, CRC in Airway Cell and Molecular Biology
- Kiera Ladner (PhD), political studies, CRC in Indigenous politics and governance
- Mario Tenuta (PhD), soil science, CRC in applied soil ecology
- Quan Wang (PhD), mechanical and manufacturing engineering, CRC in solid mechanics

$1.5 MILLION FUNDING BOOST FOR SOCIAL SCIENCES RESEARCHERS

The decision-making involved in the design, planning and development of housing for homeless people will be the focus of a study by researcher Rae Bridgman (PhD), thanks to new funding from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC). Bridgman, city planning, was one of 18 researchers whose projects received a total of $1.5 million in new SSHRC funding in June 2006.
Hometown: Winnipeg

Program of Study: Finished second year in Music specializing in classical organ.

Favourite tv show: I don’t watch a lot of tv... but sometimes I watch Jeopardy with my mom.

Favourite movie: Hedwig and the Angry Inch

Favourite artists: Galactic, an underground funk band; Neil Young; Phish; Elliott Smith; Ani DiFranco and Denis Bédard.

What do you think you’ll miss from university days? Having time to practice. I’m sure once I graduate and start working, there will be less available time. I’ll also miss the opportunity to spend time with classmates, especially since many of us have been in the same classes for two years in a row.

What do you do when you’re not studying? This is difficult since my hobby and academic interests are mixed together. Getting out with friends is important. I also like gigging and spending time with my girlfriend. In terms of sports, I play ultimate in summer and hockey in winter.

What’s the best advice you’ve received? Two things come to mind. I remember someone saying, “it’s better to make a life than a living.” That phrase has always stuck with me. I would also like to thank my mom, who has been a major influence in my life.

Why did you select the UofM? I knew I wanted to study music and the University of Manitoba allowed me to stay in Winnipeg. And the program allows flexibility to pursue my musical interests.

In 10 years, I see myself... Hopefully teaching band in a high school and still gigging on the side. I also hope to be learning more about jazz.

In addition to the organ, Alex also plays the guitar, trumpet, bass, didgeridoo and harmonica. You can hear Alex around town performing with Funk Dubois at Dylan O’ Connor’s and at the Red Cactus or with the Chai Folk Ensemble.
Gail Asper
Building the Project of a Lifetime

Gail Asper (BA/81, LLB/84) may be one of Canada’s most influential women, but her secret for success is deceptively simple. “You just have to be more persistent than the people trying to stop you,” declares the 46-year-old lawyer and Corporate Secretary of CanWest Global Communications Corp. It’s advice gleaned from her late father, media giant Izzy Asper (BA/53, LLB/57, LLM/64, LLD/98). And she’s following it to the letter as she battles to build the project of a lifetime.

Asper is spearheading an ambitious campaign to build a Canadian Museum for Human Rights in Winnipeg. Dubbing it an “idea museum,” she says that this proposed international centre has the potential to be one of Canada’s most significant contributions to promoting human rights by examining world events and encouraging action and vigilance throughout the globe.

While its scope is global, the museum will be grounded in the Canadian experience – from our social history, to Aboriginal concepts of peace and justice, to the examination and enshrinement of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms. It will also offer a one-of-a-kind human rights program and experience for tens of thousands of students across Canada – in order to make an impact now and on future generations. “That’s what ‘museum’ means: a place to muse, to learn,” says Asper. “The Museum will have holograms, virtual reality, even drama.”

But even an idea museum takes money. For three years, Asper has been working feverishly to raise the more than the $300 million needed. Even for one of Manitoba’s most well-connected daughters, it’s been a tough sell. “The biggest obstacle is trying to explain to donors what this really is. They understand universities. Hospitals. Art galleries. But this is a vague concept to them.”

Even other museums were hard to convince. When she approached the Canadian Association of Museums, “I was warned, ‘Gail, they will not understand what you’re talking about. They deal with cannons and costumes and vases. They don’t deal with ideas and people.’

The idea, in this case, is to show people the price of indifference, and inspire individuals to make a difference. “A lot of people may not have any interest in human rights,” she admits. “They may never have been bullied or persecuted so the challenge is: how do you get those people to take note?”

The museum would aim to create empathy, by helping people put themselves in others’ shoes.

Asper points to one film she found especially powerful, In the Shadow of Gold Mountain, tracing the struggle of early Chinese immigrants in Canada. “You can’t watch these people talking about what it was like to come here and not cry,” she says. “I may never have been persecuted like that, but when I see what they went through, I just think ‘Oh my God. I would never want my children to experience that.’” Asper hopes stories like this will help show how indifference has cost millions of lives, and how documents like the Charter of Rights can foster change.

The museum itself is also built to inspire. Designed by gold-medal winning architect Antoine Predock, it’s a spectacular creation of stone and glass, crowned by a glowing Tower of Hope, 100 metres high. A shimmering tower of glass, the museum will reflect the beauty of the prairie land and sky in all seasons.

Inside, Exhibit Designer Ralph Applebaum, who helped design the U.S. Holocaust Museum in Washington, the William...
Gail Asper receiving the Ramon Hnatyshyn Award for Voluntarism in the Performing Arts from Governor General Michaëlle Jean (above), at graduation (at right) and with former President Bill Clinton at the Clinton Global Initiative inaugural meeting in New York (below).

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J. Clinton Presidential Library, and parts of the Smithsonian Institution, is planning displays which Asper hopes will stir people. “The idea is that by bringing stories to life in a powerful, empathetic way, you will reach people, and inspire them to action,” she says.

Human rights is a topic close to the hearts of the Asper family. For the past decade, the non-profit Asper Foundation has run a Human Rights and Holocaust Studies program that has sent over 4,000 students and chaplains in 78 cities across Canada to study human rights at institutions like the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum. Asper says the trip has a profound effect on the kids. “I have letter after letter saying ‘I was not the sort of person to speak out before. Now I understand the consequences of indifference.’”

“Still,” adds Asper, “we kept asking, ‘why are we taking kids through an American experience?’”

She and her father knew there were Canadian stories such as Viola Desmond who, ten years before Rosa Parks in the U.S., refused to sit in the black section of a Nova Scotia theatre and launched a civil rights revolution in Canada. But few Canadians know those stories.

Gail searched for somewhere in Canada to take the kids and was shocked to find nothing.

“In Washington, we’d go to the Library of Congress and see the American Constitution, this incredible document with such stirring words. But in Canada there’s no place where the Charter is on display. There’s no Hall of Prime Ministers. Louis Riel, who was so revered and hated, is such a huge part of Manitoba history – but he’s not even in the Manitoba Museum.” Neither, she points out, is the 1919 General Strike, or Nellie McClung, whose mock parliament “Why Should Men Have the Vote?” prompted Manitoba to become the first province to let women vote.

The younger Asper was ready to give up. But not her father. “My solution was to go back to Washington. Dad’s solution was, ‘There isn’t such a place? We’ll have to build one. That was the entrepreneur in him,” she recalls.

“The thing about entrepreneurs is that they’re great at nailing down what is it you didn’t realize you really needed. I give Dad full credit – I knew we needed this, and it bothered me. But it never occurred to me that you could just go and build it.”

But Israel Asper would not see the project built. He died suddenly in 2003. “This would have been the moment to say, ‘We just can’t proceed.’ But we had all these people depending on us, and people sending donations in dad’s memory. What would it say to get people’s hopes up, and then tell them we can’t do anything now that he’s gone? That’s a terrible message.”

It was difficult enough losing her father, she says. “But how disappointed would he be in me, in our family, if we just said, ‘Oh, this was Dad’s thing, and he’s not here. We can’t do it.’ What had he been training us for, if not to say ‘Yes, we can.’”

The museum became her mission. “I’ll never forget how hard it was to go to the ground breaking ceremony two weeks after dad died. The last thing mum and I felt like was going to a public event. We were ripped apart inside. But I kept thinking, ‘This is what dad would want. Let’s get down to business. Don’t sit around navel-gazing; channel that grief into something productive.’”

That steely determination is a far cry from the little girl, big sister to future CanWest President and CEO Leonard Asper, baby sister to future National Post Chairman David Asper (BA/80, LLB), who dreamed of one day becoming an actor; a young girl so swept away by Romantic literature, she named her entire cactus collection after the characters in The Three Musketeers.

“I loved historical fiction,” she recalls, “and French history – all the swashbuckling nobility and chivalry and integrity.”

Asper also loves movies like The Sound of Music and Zoolander, which she insists must be seen several times to be appreciated – especially when Ben Stiller examines a miniature model of a school, and declares, ‘What is this, a school for ants?’ Asper laughs. “I look at our museum mockup and I think, ‘what is this, a museum for ants?’”

But it was a love of acting and theatre that drove Asper in her younger years, studying Arts at the University of Manitoba. “My dad gave me every option to go wherever I wanted, and I was adamant that I wanted to go to U of
M. I loved my friends and my classes,” she recalls.

“Vic Cowie had the most wonderful English class that brought all these plays to life. And Arthur Schafer was a great philosophy prof – it was such a joy coming into his class and twisting your brain around all these ethical issues.”

In fact, Asper thought long and hard about a performing arts career, even joining the Black Hole Theatre Company, before changing her mind. “I saw how competitive it was and realized this was a life where the better you got, the fewer chances you had at good roles.”

Instead, Asper opted for Law School. Although she stayed at U of M mainly to be near her husband, fellow student Michael Paterson (BSc(Hons)/82, PhD), she says the education was second to none. “I had always been a straight A student,” she says. “It was shocking coming to Law School and getting my first C, and realizing this was going to be tough. But the training really helped my professional career.” When her husband decided to finish school in Halifax, Asper went with him and practiced law.

But while her legal career has led her to positions ranging from the Board of Directors of Great-West Lifeco to a Governor of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Asper still loved theatre. She remains deeply involved in Winnipeg’s arts community through Manitoba Theatre Centre and the Council for Business and the Arts.

“I love our cultural community. Much as I love the National Arts Centre (in Ottawa), we can see equally fine plays at MTC,” she says. “Much as I think the National Ballet of Canada is great, I say Canada’s Royal Winnipeg Ballet is equal or better. And Manitoba Opera – I go to the Metropolitan Opera in New York, and the only difference is production values. But we have very fine singers, and very fine direction, and that’s what I count on.”

But the quest is far from over. “I’ve got 160 million bucks to raise,” she says. “People say they want to help. Now I need to know how much.” Asper is concerned the rising cost of construction will make the project too expensive unless it’s built soon. She’s become more aggressive about how much she asks people to give. “People are really stepping up to the plate. People who have never done a million-dollar give in their lives are realizing this is something they want to get behind.”

“At the museum, says Gail, is about reaching for the stars. “You’ve got to let people know you’re never, never going to give up.”

For more information visit http://humanrights.asperfoundation.com

KIM COGHILL
**Alumni Stories**

**MIXING MEDIA TO CREATE ART**

Often university students go tree-planting during the summer semester for cash and maybe a little adventure, and not much more. But for **Sarah Anne Johnson (BFA(Hons)/02)** what came out of it was something much greater; with her “Tree Planting” exhibit she has made her own multi-genre, made-in-Manitoba dent in the art world.

“There’s been a bit of Sarah overkill in the two months,” says the artist and Yale photography teacher during a stay in Winnipeg this summer. Not only has she had shows at the Platform Gallery, one exhibit based on her tree planting experience, and the Plug-in Gallery in the Exchange District, “Either Side of Eden,” based on her 2005 trip to the Galapagos Islands, but the big news had to do with a museum known as the Guggenheim. The New York-based institution purchased a collection of 64 of her photos last fall.

Johnson’s particular modus operandi came about through indecision and accident. While primarily a photographer, she also works at sculpting (with Sculpy, an artist’s clay), and taking pictures of the results. She liked both so much — taking pictures and taking pictures of dioramas she’s sculpted — that she couldn’t decide which one she would specialize in. “My professors advised me to pick one and stick with it. That never happened,” says Johnson. “I shuffled the pictures around, and three came to the top. Two were real, one was a “set,” and it created a loose narrative.” (Johnson calls her dioramas “sets.”) And that is the form her exhibits currently take; a mosaic of pictures on the wall, some actual portraits, some being sets. Some are, at first, indistinguishable from the other. But then again, that’s not the point. The point is the stories they tell. Her art has changed since Tree Planting, she says. Either Side of Eden is about isolation and loneliness, unlike Tree Planting, which was more about cohesion. “All these fresh faces wielding machetes,” laughs Johnson of her time in the Galapagos. “It was like Lord of the Flies, except with young girls and supervision.”

**AIMING FOR THE MOON... OR MARS**

When Stephen Hawking approves of your career choice, you know you are heading in the right direction. For **Lealem Mulugeta (BScME/05)** that direction is up. That’s not some cliched metaphor; Mulugeta is literally headed upwards, if he has anything to do with it. Hawking stated earlier this summer that humankind is in trouble if they don’t start establishing colonies extra-terrestrially. This bit of news aligns perfectly for Mulugeta’s career plans.

“I plan to study bioastronautics for my Masters,” says the Winnipegger and self-confessed “space geek.” He doesn’t look like a space geek. Mulugeta is a former competitive gymnast and appears to be in ridiculously good shape. But he may need that fitness for the rigours of space travel.

Mulugeta recently did something to get him a little closer to outer space; he spent two weeks at the Mars Desert Research Station in the middle of a Utah desert. It was the first time the station, run by the Mars Society, had been used by an all-Canadian team.

“You come around the hill and it is right there,” he says. “It was dusk and the sky was a little bit red. I thought, for sure, that there would be a challenge. It ended up being the best experience of my life so far.”

But it wasn’t just play-acting that they were in space. There were strict rules in place. If one were to leave the “hab,” one had to spend 90 minutes donning a space suit to go outside.

Mulugeta went primarily as a field engineer, which exposed him to the “glamour” of interplanetary travel. “The water treatment system broke; I had to fix it,” he says. “That was some stinky water.”

As to whether or not Mulugeta will be the next Marc Garneau, it depends on the calendar. Mentioning that some authorities aim to land on the moon by 2018, he says, “Going to the moon is definitely within my age group.”

But now, he is working at Bristol Aerospace and figuring out how to make his mark in space from the Earth, specifically working on satellites.

JIM CHLIBOYKO
It has been 50 years since Eva Kende (nee Varadi) (BSA/63) fled Hungary but she wanted to ensure that memories of growing up during that turbulent time will not be forgotten. The result is her recent book, Snapshots...Growing up Behind the Iron Curtain, in which she shares stories and how these events shaped her life.

“Nobody really talks about what happens to children during political instability,” says Kende. “During these times, even children can feel the political tension and the fear exhibited by adults. In some ways, I think we were more street smart than children today but in others we were more naïve.” Kende is pleased with the reception that the book has received and adds that some social studies teachers in Calgary are using the book as a teaching tool in the classroom.

Snapshots is Kende’s third book, a field she entered by chance. Just over twenty years ago, she wanted to teach her teenage son how to cook so she put together recipes in a book entitled Eva’s Hungarian Kitchen. The surprising success of the book — it has sold more than 22,000 copies and it’s currently going into its sixth printing — led to a second cookbook.

While writing Snapshots, Kende spent considerable time reflecting on her life and says that she loved her years at the University of Manitoba. “After arriving as a refugee from Hungary, I found Winnipeg a wonderful place,” says Kende. “People were welcoming, helpful and I did not feel any prejudice. There was also lots of opportunity. I found that doors were open and I just had to walk through them.”

Now retired from a research position at the University of Calgary, Kende and her husband live in Canmore, AB where they are close to their son and grandchildren in Calgary and where she continues her many pursuits, including her next writing project. For more information on Eva Kende or her books, please visit her web site, www.telusplanet.net/public/ekende

Like other fraternities, members of the Theta Nu and Kappa Sigma Kappa fraternities have kept in touch since graduation. In addition to conversation about university days or catching up on what’s new, the alumni also meet several times a year to discuss their scholarships which, over the past 25 or so years, have dispersed more than $52,000 to children and grandchildren of former fraternity members.

“When the former frat house in Fort Rouge was sold, the alumni wanted to put the money to a good cause and decided to use it as capital for the scholarships,” says Bill Kops (BA/67, MBA/70, EdD), Professor, Extended Education at the University. “A Foundation was established and meets twice a year to administer the fund and to select the scholarship recipients.”

In addition to supporting current university students, the scholarship is also a legacy project. “It’s nice to keep the connection with our alma mater,” says Roland Rivalin (LLB/59), a local lawyer with Tupper & Adams and current President of the Kappa Sigma Kappa Theta Nu Foundation. “In the beginning, we selected children of fraternity members for the scholarship and now it’s interesting that we are starting to select grandchildren.”

Foundation members (l-r): Roland Rivalin, Don Cook (BSc/69), Al Snyder (BScCE/64, MBA/76), Don Keatch (BComm(Hons)/72, CA/74) and Bob Sparrow (BA/69).
A Conversation With...

ANASTASIA KELEKIS-CHOLAKIS

BA, DMD/92, DIPPERIO/98
CLINICAL DIRECTOR, GRADUATE PERIODONTIC CLINIC, FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

Years teaching at the University of Manitoba:
1994 – 2005, part-time
2005 – current, full-time

Areas of expertise: Periodontics and implant dentistry

Before teaching: I was a student and obtained my BA from the University of Winnipeg in 1988 and DMD and Diploma in Periodontics from the University of Manitoba in 1992 and 1998. I also attended the Misch Institute Program in Implant Dentistry at the University of Pittsburgh.

I have passed my Fellowship exam and I am eligible to become a Fellow of the Royal College of Dentists of Canada.

Hobbies: I love spending time with our family, my husband and four daughters. I also enjoy reading, swimming and playing tennis.

Outreach activities: I have worked with our church community council and served on the executive board. I also enjoy volunteering at our daughters's school.

Something others may not know: In the last year, the Graduate Periodontics Clinic at the University of Manitoba has expanded its scope and added new procedures including block bone grafting and maxillary subantral augmentations. I’m especially proud that we now offer the whole range of procedures found in a private dental clinic. I have tried to run the clinic in a similar fashion to running my private practice and we have had very good results.

What excites you most about the future: In the long term, I look forward to seeing my children grow up and become responsible adults. Professionally, I am excited about the development of the Southwest Specialty Group, a clinic that utilizes interdisciplinary academic talent and merges university knowledge with private practice experience. In this clinic, academics of various disciplines work collaboratively to provide a unique model in dental care in Manitoba.

Most rewarding aspect of teaching: To create interest among dental students, in periodontics, my area of expertise. Among graduate students, it is rewarding to follow them through their development and watch them grow as they acquire the skills of the specialty and then become specialists in their own right.

Some awards/recognition received:
- Gold Medal, University of Winnipeg, 1988
- Co-Founder, Canadian Dental Institute
VAL SHUSHKEWICH
THE REAL WINNIE: A ONE-OF-A-KIND BEAR
2003, (2005 second printing), Natural Heritage Books
This book describes two parallel but connected lives – that of Winnie the bear (named after Winnipeg), who was A.A. Milne’s inspiration for the bear in the Winnie the Pooh stories, and that of Harry Colebourn, a WWI veterinary officer who lived in Winnipeg. The true stories of both the bear and the man, set against the backdrop of WWI, are inspirational.

Valdine M. Shushkewich (nee Cuffe) (BA/70) was born and raised in Winnipeg and now lives in San Francisco with her husband Kenneth W. Shushkewich (BScCE/74).

RUTH PANOFSKY
THE FORCE OF VOCATION: THE LITERARY CAREER OF ADELE WISEMAN
2006, University of Manitoba Press
Adèle Wiseman (BA(Hons)/49, LLD/89) was a seminal figure in Canadian letters. In this first book on Wiseman’s writing life, Ruth Panofsky presents Wiseman as a writer who doggedly and ambitiously perfected her craft, sought a wide audience for her work, and refused to compromise her work for marketability. Based on previously unpublished archival material and personal interviews with publishers, editors, and writers, Panofsky presents a remarkable and compelling story of the intricate negotiations and complex relationships that exist among authors, editors, and publishers.

Ruth Panofsky teaches English at Ryerson University. She is the author of Adele Wiseman: An Annotated Bibliography and is the co-editor with John Lennox of Selected Letters of Margaret Laurence and Adele Wiseman.

JOSEPH P. WAWRYKOW AND RIK VAN NIEUWENHOVE, CO-EDITORS
THE THEOLOGY OF THOMAS AQUINAS
2005, University of Notre Dame Press
This comprehensive volume provides an in-depth overview of Thomas Aquinas' theology. Contributors offer fresh and compelling readings of Aquinas on the Trinity, creation theology, theory of analogy, anthropology, predestination and human freedom, evil and original sin, Christology and grace, soteriology, eschatology, sacramentology, ecclesiology, moral theology, the relation between theology and philosophy, and scriptural exegesis.

Joseph P. Wawrykow (BA(Hons)/78, MA/80, PhD) is Associate Professor of Theology at the University of Notre Dame. He is the author of God’s Grace and Human Action and co-editor of Christ Among the Medieval Dominicans, both published by the University of Notre Dame Press. The book was named one of the Outstanding Academic Titles of 2005 by Choice Magazine. He also published a Handbook to Thomas Aquinas with Westminster Press in 2005. Wawrykow’s wife, Dianne Phillips (BA/79) is Associate Director of the Erasmus Institute at the University of Notre Dame.

LLOYD SWICK
STORIES FROM VETERANS VILLAGE
2005
This book provides an opportunity for the general public and particularly for future generations to learn about the lives of veterans and their families from the perspectives of their war experience, university pursuits, and careers post graduation. It reveals how the University of Manitoba provided accommodation for veterans desiring a higher education and how the Veterans Charter supported financially such a goal.

Currently residing in Ottawa, Lloyd Swick (BSc/49) lived in veterans village and has fond memories of his time at the University of Manitoba and of the friendships made. Lloyd can be contact by email at AZ500@iosphere.net

ALVIN J. ESAU
THE COURTS AND THE COLONIES
THE LITIGATION OF HUTTERITE CHURCH DISPUTES
2004, University of British Columbia Press
This book, which was recently awarded the 2005 Manitoba Historical Society’s Margaret McWilliams Award in the Scholarly History category, offers a detailed account of a protracted dispute arising within a Hutterite colony in Manitoba, when the Schniedeleut leaders attempted to force the departure of a group that had been excommunicated but would not leave. This resulted in about a dozen lawsuits in both Canada and the United States, and placed the issues of shunning, excommunication, legitimacy of leadership, and communal property rights before the secular courts. Esau provides a detailed and fascinating narrative of the prolonged disputes and litigation history of Hutterite colonies at Lakeside, Oak Bluff, Rock Lake, and Huron.

Alvin J. Esau is Professor in the Faculty of Law at the University of Manitoba.

MARSHA SKRYPUCH
KOBZAR’S CHILDREN
2006, Fitzhenry & Whiteside
The Kobzars were the blind minstrels of Ukraine, who memorized the epic poems and stories of 100 generations. Traveling around the country, they stopped in towns and villages along the way, where they told their tales and were welcomed by all. As the storytellers of Ukraine died, so too did their stories. Kobzar's Children is an anthology of short historical fiction, memoirs, and poems written about the Ukrainian immigrant experience, spanning a century of history from 1905 to 2004. Some of the contributors are University of Manitoba graduates. More than a collection, it is a social document that revives memories once deliberately forgotten. All royalties from the sale of this book will be donated to the Ukrainian Canadian Civil Liberties Association.

Marsha Skrypuch is the editor of Kobzar's Children and is also author of several childrens’ picture books and young adult novels.
In this dialogue, Peter Dueck and Sharon Pekrul discuss how Manitoba high schools and the University of Manitoba are trying to encourage participation in post-secondary education by addressing students’ changing needs.

As the Executive Director of Enrolment Services at the University of Manitoba, Peter Dueck (BA(Hons)) is responsible for student recruitment, a function he has performed in such remote places as Singapore, India and China. His career in education has also included two years as the Executive Director of the Churchill Northern Studies Centre and two years as a high school teacher of biology and English.

Sharon Pekrul (MEd/05) has worked in the educational system for more than 25 years having taught in both rural and urban high schools within Manitoba and Alberta before assuming the role of principal at Argyle Alternative High School in Winnipeg. She is currently the principal of Isaac Newton School in The Winnipeg School Division. From 2000 to 2005 she was the Executive Director of Manitoba School Improvement Program Inc. (MSIP), an independent, non-profit, non-governmental school improvement agency that provides networking and consultative services to high schools across the province of Manitoba.

**How are students weighing their options as they graduate from high school?**

**SP:** Young people graduating from high school are generally uncertain as to what career or post secondary studies they wish to pursue. It’s a bit of a misconception that they have it all figured out. It’s true that the Manitoba high school system’s course of study has been altered to make it more flexible and open to future study. But I’m not sure that young people are taking advantage of that.

**PD:** What we’ve been trying to do over the years is to introduce as much flexibility as possible so students don’t have to make those decisions as early as they used to. When I was a high school student, we had university entrance courses and general courses. Today, some provinces have three streams: college, university or UC, a stream which can lead either to college or university. This provides three paths for post-secondary education from which students can choose.

**We’ve changed our recruitment strategy dramatically in response both to the market and to how students make their choices.**

**What factors influence what kind of post-secondary education a student might decide to pursue?**

**PD:** In Manitoba, the Department of Education has made a fairly significant effort to open options up as much as possible. We’ve followed suit at the University of Manitoba, partly because of our very important emphasis on accessibility. We did this through University 1 with the catchphrase, “The Freedom to Choose.” As you said earlier, many students didn’t know what they wanted to do when they went to university, but they would choose a faculty because we required them to do so. After a year or so, they might realize that it wasn’t at all what they wanted. This meant that they had to back out of those programs and start over in another program while bringing over only a few electives. That’s why we built University 1. We wanted students to have as much flexibility as possible. We built three streams: the focused approach for those who knew what they wanted; a sampling approach for those who didn’t; and a balanced approach for those trying to choose between two different programs.

**SP:** I think today’s young people are more interested in creating a lifestyle than in making a living. They are taking a more holistic approach that balances all their needs such as high interest global issues, personal wellness, environment and dollars. This is a different kind of student. Connectivity is most important to them. They are connected all the time via the internet, chat rooms, cell phones, etc. They want to be engaged in what is meaningful to them at the time. Students today can expect to have a number of actual different careers not just jobs in their life.

Even in high school, we are finding that a number of students are actually part-time students. They’re trying to do two things, sustain themselves through employment and sustain themselves through high school education. That translates into older graduates. In families that don’t have a history of going to university, there isn’t an ingrained belief system that university will open doors and provide the higher income that the research indicates. Of the 25% or so of students who do choose to attend a post-secondary institution (university or college) these institutions must be flexible enough to respond to their needs.

**What figures into a student’s choice of post-secondary institution?**

**SP:** It might be fair to say that they would
select one closer to home especially for the first year or two. There are a number of high schools in the city where a university class is being taught at the high school. I think that’s huge—the ability to try out post-secondary education without high costs or high stakes in a safe and familiar environment. I love the idea of off-campus sites. However having said that, there is something very special about coming to a formal institution of learning—a post-secondary campus. It’s important to remind young people about that and the culture of learning it can create.

When I was at Argyle, we and one other high school received a grant to work with students whose family had no history of going beyond high school; in fact many of them would be the first in their family to graduate with a high school diploma. We created an initiative led by coordinators who came from the same kind of background but who had gone on to university. We established a mentorship program with the universities and college whereby high school students had the opportunity to experience university and college life in a safe, friendly way through their mentor. An important component of this three-year initiative was to include family members or significant others in the program. Their role was to learn why it was important to take high school courses that would open doors to post secondary education and how to support their student in this journey. I would like to be able to promote this with high school students.

**PD:** There is a pretty unique program that was developed called Campus Manitoba that allows students to pick a home university and register in courses at any of the three universities in the province and obtain their degree from the home institution. This allows students to stay where they have the support of their family and their community but still get their feet wet and try out a post-secondary education.

**How have recruitment efforts changed in the last ten years so as to meet this changing student market?**

**PD:** Ten years ago, we had a liaison officer whose job it was to provide high school students with information in a rather passive way, focused mostly on what to do for admission. Since then, it’s been renamed the Student Recruitment Office and separated from the Admissions Office. Now recruitment here and across Canada is a lot more active. You mentioned that students are more connected and more mobile. They are also more aware of their options. Today, provincial universities are recruiting across the country.

Universities used to have catchment areas. In the past, we would do our liaison into northwestern Ontario but not into the area traditionally captured by Lakehead University. Now that’s no longer the case. Competition among colleges and universities has heated up. It’s partly demographics. Because fewer and fewer students are coming out of high school, we need to improve participation rates and are focusing on three areas: young people coming out of high school; people coming back to the educational system after working for a while; and students outside our normal catchment area in other provinces and internationally. We’ve changed our recruitment strategy dramatically in response both to the market and to how students make their choices.

**SP:** Some school divisions are also engaging in international recruitment. When you think about it, this could create a wonderful opportunity for the high school and university systems to work together. They would receive a high school education here and become comfortable in their respective city and environment. There’s the potential that they could continue on.

**PD:** Yes, that gives them a chance to live here and have a work and cultural experience and the option to stay and build a life in Manitoba. I believe international students would be interested in how suitable our post-secondary system and labour market are for them. It’s something that would have been difficult ten years ago.

**What other recruitment initiatives have emerged?**

**SP:** One group where we see a huge resource base is the Aboriginal population. Parents in the schools where I’ve been are now entering their first career. They are having a positive impact as on their children’s educational aspirations. There is a student in one of my schools whose father just graduated from the University of Manitoba. He went to his father’s graduation. This kind of experience makes post-secondary education seem more of a realistic option to these students.

**PD:** You’re putting words around a very important part of our recruitment effort. We now have two Aboriginal recruitment officers, one focused on the urban community and the other on the rural and northern community. This only underlines what you said about the Aboriginal community in Manitoba being an area where the both the population and the participation rate are growing very quickly. Sure we want to recruit internationally but it’s even more important to increase participation rates of all students right here in Manitoba.

**CHRISTINE HANLON (BA/85, BED/89)**

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It was about a year ago that Ph.D. student Iwona Rudkowska found out that her McGill laboratory and Director were pulling up stakes and moving to the Richardson Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals at the University of Manitoba. “Students were offered the option of moving to Winnipeg or staying in Montreal to complete their work,” recalls Rudkowska. “I was surprised, but it was a rare opportunity to work on brand new, state-of-the-art equipment and gain knowledge about technology I would never have used otherwise.”

Rudkowska was one of five McGill students who opted to make the move west this past February in order to continue their lab work. She is in her third year of researching plant sterols (a type of lipid, such as cholesterol, present in the cell membranes of plants) in different food species and their effect on lowering cholesterol in humans. Rudkowska says the move to the Richardson Centre has accelerated her research significantly. “My lab work is taking me about six months, versus the two years it would have taken in my old laboratory,” says Rudkowska. “The work here is so much faster because of the access I get and because of the modern machinery working faster for me.”

The $31-million Richardson Centre, which celebrated its grand opening this past May, is located in Smartpark at the University of Manitoba. Inside, researchers are studying the medicinal and nutritional benefits of prairie crops such as wheat, oats and canola. Projects focus on the development of food supplements extracted from crops, identifying the useful compounds in plants, enhancing these compounds, developing ways to incorporate them into food products and considering the consumer acceptability of the final products.

Researchers from different disciplines work in partnership with scientists from the Faculties of Agricultural and Food Sciences, Human Ecology, Medicine and Pharmacy to develop functional foods based on scientific evidence that will test their efficiency and safety for consumer consumption. All research is under the direction of Peter Jones (PhD), a pioneer in developing foods that can combat high cholesterol and other life-threatening conditions. In 2005, Jones was appointed Canada Research Chair in Nutrition and Functional Foods and until his move to Winnipeg last November, was the Director of the Mary Emily Clinical Nutrition Research Centre in the School of Dietetics and Human Nutrition at McGill University. “I was delighted to join the Richardson Centre for Functional Foods and Nutraceuticals as its Director,” says Jones. “Without question, it is exciting to be part of such an enterprise that will be developing functional foods and ingredients, Given Canada’s tremendous potential for developing value-added products in the food sector, the positioning of the Centre could not come at a better time.”

With an increasingly health-conscious population, interest in functional foods and nutraceuticals is growing worldwide. Some analysts predict the value of the industry will expand dramatically over the next decade, reaching US $300 billion globally by 2010. The Richardson Centre has received major support from Winnipeg’s Richardson family and their group of companies. Additional funding for the facility was provided by the Government of Canada, the Province of Manitoba, CIBC, Agricore United and other private-sector donors. Fundraising is still underway to support building and operating costs.
In 2007, the new Aboriginal Student Centre, a $4 million, 13,000 sq. ft. facility inclusive of all Métis, First Nations and Inuit will open its doors. When it does, it will herald a new era in Aboriginal post-secondary education. The centre will be unlike anything else in Canada and offer Aboriginal students unprecedented support and services to assure their success. It is an occasion Debbie Myran eagerly anticipates.

A third-year Arts student and co-president of the Aboriginal Student Association, Myran often spends her time in the Aboriginal Student Centre, an area currently tucked away in University Centre. The Centre has been providing academic, cultural and personal support to First Nations, Inuit and Métis students for more than a decade, and is considered a home away from home for new students who often feel they’ve stepped into a foreign environment. These days, it’s a space that can no longer accommodate the increasing number of Aboriginal students.

“Many of the Aboriginal students are coming straight from their First Nations community, so the Centre becomes a great resource and comfortable space for them,” says Myran. “However, because of its popularity, there is just not enough room for everyone to study or socialize.”

The need for more space along with the university’s commitment to Aboriginal education is what spawned plans for a new Aboriginal Student Centre, to be located just west of the Education building on the Fort Garry campus. For the last two years, fundraising efforts have been underway and have been helped along by extraordinary commitments of $1 million from New York-based First NRG and $300,000 from the Manitoba Métis Federation.

“This extraordinary support is vital to the creation of a visibly Aboriginal building,” says Kali Storm (BA/89, CertEd/95, MEd/00), Director of the Aboriginal Student Centre. “It gives our students and staff a sense of belonging and pride on campus.”

The new facility was created by a team of designers from Prairie Architects (which also included Aboriginal architecture students) and in consultation with Elders, staff, faculty, students and members of the community. The Centre will include a career and academic counselling centre, a student lounge, meeting space, offices for the various program staff and Elder-in-Residence and much more.

“It will reinforce our identity and culture,” says Myran. “It will bring us all together and allow us to showcase our heritage to non-Aboriginals and welcome other cultures.”

The University of Manitoba is one of Canada’s leading educators of Aboriginal people. Approximately six percent of its students have self-declared as being Aboriginal, and the university is proud of its track record in educating a third of the 145 professional First Nations and Métis engineers in Canada, as well as almost half of the dentists.

Storm believes the facility will send a strong message that Aboriginal people hold a valued and respected place on campus.

“We know that this ‘home away from home’ will contribute to more students attaining their dreams of a university education in a variety of fields,” says Storm. “It will also encourage more individuals to enter graduate programs. The Aboriginal Student Centre will be more than just a ‘services’ building, it will be a building designed on the principles and values of Aboriginal peoples and respect for Indigenous knowledge.”

The Aboriginal Student Centre is to be constructed just west of the Education Building on the Fort Garry campus. The Apotex Centre will welcome faculty and students in the fall of 2008.

“This advanced teaching and research facility for the Faculty of Pharmacy will also increased collaboration between Pharmacy students and those in the Faculties of Medicine and Dentistry,” says Emőke Szathmáry, President and Vice-Chancellor.

“This new home for the Faculty of Pharmacy will enhance its ability to educate more pharmacists and carry out research with allied health professionals to meet the needs of Manitobans.”

The Apotex Centre will welcome faculty and students in the fall of 2008.
Congratulations to the following alumni who have recently received the Order of Canada, Canada’s highest honour for lifetime achievement:

**Wanda Koop**, Dip.Art/73, Member of the Order of Canada

**Gudrun Parker**, BA/40, Officer of the Order of Canada

**Margaret A. Sanders**, BA/43, Member of the Order of Canada,

**Gerald W. Schwartz**, B.Comm/62, LLB/66, Officer of the Order of Canada

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**1950-59**

**Roland, Charles**, MD/58, DSc(Hon)/97, History of Medicine Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Health Sciences at McMaster University, was awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Osler Society, at its annual meeting in Halifax, May 1-3. Roland was a founder of the organization in 1970, was Secretary-Treasurer for many years, and served as President in 1986-1987. Currently he is the Society’s Historian. The American Osler Society, with a membership of about 150, largely residents of Canada and the United States, was created to promote the memory of Sir William Osler and to pursue his emphasis on humanistic medicine in the modern world.

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**1960-69**

**Arkin, Harold J.**, BA/69, LLB/72, LLM(ADR) (2002 Osgoode Hall Law School of York University), was appointed to the Consent & Capacity Board of Ontario as a lawyer member on a part time basis for a three-year term by Order in Council on February 10, 2006. Arkin will continue with his full time position as a mediator with the Dispute Resolution Group at the Financial Services Commission of Ontario in Toronto. Arkin welcomes friends to contact him there at: 5160 Yonge Street, 14th Floor, Box 85, Toronto, ON, M2N 6L9, (416) 590-7551 or by email: harkin@lsc.gov.on.ca

**McLaren, Jim**, DipPT/66, BPT/69, MEd/87, received his Certificate in Executive Coaching from Royal Roads University in September 2004. McLaren is currently employed as a coach within the Human Resources Division of the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority and also operates a private coaching and consulting practice.

**Rothstein, The Honourable Mr. Justice, Marshall**, BComm/62, LLB/66, was appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada on March 1, 2006.

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**Five University Women Honoured**

Congratulations to the following women who were presented with Women of Distinction awards by the YMCA-YWCA in May: **Jennifer Mactavish**, MSc/91, PhD, professor, Faculty of Physical and Recreation Studies, University of Manitoba; **Ellen Judd**, PhD, professor, Anthropology, University of Manitoba; **Reeni Soni**, MScMed/91, MD/91, section head for pediatric cardiology in the Variety Children’s Heart Centre at Winnipeg Children’s Hospital; **Hope McIntyre**, BFA, MFA, instructor, Faculty of Arts; and **Fauna Lee Kingdon**, the University of Manitoba’s 2005 Rhodes Scholarship finalist.

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**1970-79**

**Burrows, Patricia E.**, BS, MD/76, a specialist in Pediatric Radiology and Vascular Interventional Radiology and Professor of Radiology at Harvard Medical School, has joined the prestigious team of neurologists, neuroradiologists and neurosurgeons of the Hyman-Newman Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery (INN) of St. Luke’s and Roosevelt Hospitals and Beth Israel Medical Center. Burrows has been named Co-Director of the Vascular Malformations Center of New York in the Department of Endovascular Surgery and is based at Roosevelt Hospital. She is also a reviewer for several professional journals, served as President of the New England Society for Cardiovascular Radiology, chairs the Committee on Cardiovascular and Interventional Radiology of the Society for Pediatric Radiology and has received numerous awards and honors, including the 2005 Distinguished Faculty Award from the Society of Interventional Radiology.

**Elliot (nee Clarence-Smith), Annette**, LLB/70, was the only female student in the Faculty of Law in 1970. She is now qualified as a Jungian Analyst, Associate AJA (Association of Jungian Analysts, London, UK) and IAAP (International Association of Analytical Psychologists). She is married with two “children,” a girl 31 years and a boy 29 years old. Elliot is the daughter of Professor J.A. Clarence Smith, deceased 2003.

**Lindquist, N. J. (Nancy)**, BA, CertEd/72, was awarded the 2006 Leading Women Award in Communications and Media. The national award for distinctive achievement was presented in March at a luncheon hosted by Sandra Manning during the Leading Women conference in Calgary. Lindquist was presented the award jointly with her colleague, award-winning journalist Wendy Elaine Nelles of Toronto, ON, for their work during the past five years founding and directing The Word Guild. Lindquist, who now lives in Markham, ON, is an award-winning author of nine books, a journalist, and a popular motivational speaker and writing teacher. She and her husband Les Lindquist are the parents of four adult sons.

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**Through the Years**

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**Stronger, Barry**, BSc/64, DMD/69, retired from private practice in general dentistry in November 2004 after 35 years. He and wife Marcy (Mallin) BN/73, who he married in 1972, still reside in Winnipeg. Barry is keeping busy with the 55 Plus Continuing Education program as well as attending the Glendale Study Group with Yoram East and he is serving on the executive of the Alpha Omega Dental Fraternity, a charity to benefit special needs children and to conduct dental research. Their two sons also reside in Winnipeg. Michael (BA(Hons)) works in commercial real estate with Shindico in Winnipeg and has a daughter, Elizabeth, with partner, Zoa Hartry (BSc/97, MD/02). Lyle (BScMed/02, MD/02) is currently a Fellow with the University of Manitoba in cardiology spending most of his time at St. Boniface Hospital.
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Miller, Donald, BScPharm/76, (FASHP), received the 2005 Blue Key Distinguished Educator Award from North Dakota State University, given by the Blue Key honor society to recognize a professor for outstanding dedication to teaching and concern for students. Miller is pictured with step son Matt Spielman and wife Joan.

Sinha, Madhav, PhD/74, PEng, Chief of Engineering and Head of the quality programs with the Manitoba Government Department of Labour and Immigration, was the only Canadian chosen to represent the country in a team of over 100 world-renowned total quality management (TQM) experts representing 18 countries from around the world who participated in an ambitious research project called, The Future of Quality, that has just been completed and a report released by the world’s largest organization of quality professionals, the American Society for Quality (ASQ), based in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Roger, Jean, BID/75, has retired after a varied career as a national Facilities Manager and Senior Officer, Telecommunications for Canadian National railways. She continues to work full time as President of Arthritis Montreal Arthritis – a non-profit, self-help organization made up completely of volunteers, which provides support, education, information and advocacy for people of all ages in the Montreal area who are suffering from any of the over 100 forms of arthritis. For information, please visit www.arthritismontreal.ca

Symons, Cam, BA(Hons)/76, MEd/92, PhD/03, an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education at Brandon University, received the Senate Award for Excellence in Teaching at the university’s May Convocation Awards Ceremony. Since joining Brandon University, his course evaluations have consistently achieved the highest possible ratings from the vast majority of his students in almost every category. Prior to joining the Faculty, he was a teacher in the public school system.

Wright, Robert A., MA/75, was appointed Deputy Minister of Finance, effective June 12. Prior to this appointment, Wright was President of Export Development Canada.

1980-89

Goldfarb, Sheldon, MA/86, was shortlisted for the 2006 Arthur Ellis award in the best Canadian Juvenile mystery category for his book, Remember, Remember.

1990-99

Penner, Todd, MA/93, PhD, Associate Professor of Religious Studies and the Gould H. and Marie Cloud Professor in Religion at Austin College, has been selected as a Millicent C. McIntosh Fellow for 2006 by the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation. A member of the Austin College faculty since 1999, Penner will use the fellowship to focus on the research project “Speaking with

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2000 to Current

**Gregoire, Katherine.** BSW/03, came upon her career change by accident—literally. After graduation she worked at Health Sciences Centre as a social worker until breaking her wrist in late 2005. During this time, she decided to quit her job, and start Comforts of Home-Care out of her home. Comforts of Home-Care provides in-home health care and other day-to-day services to senior citizens so that they can remain at home. Initially started as a pilot project, Katherine is expanding her services. Katherine and her husband live in St. Jean Baptiste, MB, with their children. For more information on Comforts of Home-Care, please visit: www.comfortsofhomecare.ca

**Falvo, Mark.** BCSc/00, worked as a Strategic Adviser in IT for the World Health Organization in Copenhagen, Denmark. Together with experts from The Center for Disease Control in Atlanta and the European Union, Falvo led the development of several significant projects including the Central Information System for Infectious Disease and the Open Public Health Infrastructure. Recently he received a post as a Technical Officer with the UNESCO Institute for Statistics in Montreal.

**Lange, Lauren.** BA(Adv)/05, was a contestant in the Miss Universe Canada 2006 pageant in March. Lange was a 2001 Leader of Tomorrow recipient and a third generation graduate of St. John's College.

**Marriages**

**Chapman, Tim R.,** BA/86, BComm(Hons)/94 and Barb M. Lesyk, BComm(Hons)/92, married on February 25, 2006 at the Park Theatre in Winnipeg Manitoba.

**McKenzie, Scott.** BComm(Hons)/96, and Tamra Trouhubiak, BComm(Hons)/00, were engaged in December of 2005. Scott is an Associate Marketing Manager with Investors Group and Tamra, who recently obtained her Certified Professional Purchaser (CPP) designation is a Buyer with MTS Allstream. A 2006 Fall wedding is being planned.

**Births**

**Krestanowich, Paul.** BA/91, CFP/02 and his wife Corinne (nee Tottle), BA/91, BEd/94, welcomed their third child, a boy on June 2, 2006. Aaron Luke Krestanowich was born at HSC-Women’s Centre and weighed in at 8 lbs, 14 oz. and was 22” long.

**Weselake, Melissa.** BHSc/93, husband Stan Diachun, BScME/94, and daughter Natasha, welcomed a baby girl to their family. Mila was born on May 1, weighing in on 7 lb-20 oz and is 20” long.

**Martin, Shelley Tara.** BA/97, and Joseph Braid and big brother Jordan are pleased to announce the birth of Justin Ty Martin-Braid. Justin was born January 2, 2006 at 5:04 p.m. at Brandon Hospital weighing 9 lbs., 4 oz. and was 21 ½” long.

**In Memoriam**

The Alumni Association Inc. of the University of Manitoba extends their condolences to the family and friends of the following alumni:

**1930-39**

**Buckler, Sidney J.,** BSc(Hons)/39, in 2006.

**Campbell (nee Hunt), Marjorie Cameron.** BA/35, on December 3, 2005.

**Cohen, Jack H.,** BA/34, on February 18, 2006.

**Driedger (nee Norman), Elsie V.,** BA/32, on May 21, 2006.

**Eidsen, Peter F.,** Dip.Agric/36, on March 12, 2006.

**Halstead (nee Walker), Gladys,** BA/34, in 2006.

**Hay, Marjorie E.,** BA/39, on April 2, 2006.

**Krol (nee Tracz), Helen,** DipPharm/37, on May 22, 2006.

**Lauder, John Richard,** BA/37, on February 25, 2006.

**McNeil, Donald Lauchlin,** MD/39, on November 18, 2005.
Sinclair Q.C., O.C., The Honorable Ian D., BA/37, LLB/41, LL(Honororary)/67, on April 7, 2006.

Speechly (nee Smith), Agnes G., BA/38, on December 2, 2005.

Tully, William M., BScCE/36, in April 2005.

1940-49

Brown, Joyce, B.HEc/49, on February 25, 2006.

Everett (nee Bowen), Daphne Jean Catherine, BScHEc/47, on May 6, 2006.

Duncan, Douglas A., BSA/49, MSc/54, on November 9, 2005.


Hunter, Constance Anita, BScHEc/41, on April 8, 2006.

Ironside, Ronald, BSc/41, on January 12, 2006.

Jessiman Q.C., the Honourable Duncan James, LLB/48, BA/59, on April 19, 2006.


Kohm, Harry, BA/49, LLB/52, on February 8, 2006.

Kummen, Harold T., BScCE/41, on March 25, 2006.

Lawson, Glenn William, BScCE/42, on January 27, 2006.

McMurtry, Thomas Samuel George, MD/41, on May 17, 2006.

Ostry O.C., Bernard A., BA(Hons)/48, LL(Honorory)/97, on May 24, 2006.


Pilkey, Gordon Erskine, BA/48, LLB/51, on April 7, 2006.

Seidler, Harry, B.Arch/44, LL(Honorory)/88, on March 2006.


Taggart, James, BScME/49, on February 24, 2006.


1950-59

Barber, John Garfield, BA/56, on May 21, 2006.


Berry, Donald James, BScCE/53, on March 9, 2006.

Buchanan, Neil James, CA/57, on May 17, 2006.

Buzza, Percy, BSc/50, on March 31, 2006.


Collins, Keith G., CA/58, on May 26, 2006.

Corbett, William A., BScCE/50, on March 6, 2006.

Cowie, Victor Speirs, BA/50, BA(Hons)/51, on March 8, 2004.

Decker, Allan, MD/57, on April 13, 2006.

Dirks, Henry, BSc/51, MD/59, on April 11, 2006.

Ediger, Elizabeth, BSc/50, on December 24, 2005.

Emslie, Ronald F., BSc.G.E/56, MSc/58, on November 14, 2005.

Flynn, Barbara, BSW/50, on March 29, 2006.

Gemmel, John Leslie, CA/51, on February 20, 2006.

Girard, Gabriel J., BA/58, CertEd/65, BEd/65, on February 4, 2006.

Halvorson, Harvest, BSc/55, MSc/58, PhD, on October 27, 2005.

Kaan, David Chee Yee, BSc/56, MD/60, Dip. ANAES/66 on April 21, 2006.

Lupton (nee Garland), Kathleen, AMM/50, on April 21, 2006.

MacAulay, Jack M., BScCE/53, on March 20, 2006.

McDonald, Lawrence Roderick, BSc(Hons)/53, on February 16, 2006.

Margullus, Martin, BA/55, on May 7, 2006.

Meadows (nee Lyons), Muriel Elizabeth, BPed(Hons)/57, MSc, on April 29, 2006.

Naumko, Walter, BScCE/53, on March 30, 2006.

O'Neill, Mary Josephine Clare, BA/52, MA/62, on April 3, 2006.

Palanuk, Daniel John, BScME/57, on April 13, 2006.

Porter, William Alfred George, BA/58, on March 9, 2006.

Purslow, Herbert Merton, B.Arch/50, on February 3, 2006.

Rooke, Terence David, BScME/57, on April 12, 2006.


Schmidt, Sieghard, B.Arch/55, on October 19, 2005.

Shewchuk, John, BA/52, CertEd/68, on January 26, 2006.

Sterin, William K., BSc/50, MD/55, on March 30, 2006.

Taback (nee Kneller), Edith, BA/51, BSW/53, MSW/61, on March 12, 2006.

Weiner, Frank Paul, BScME/51, on May 18, 2006.

Wickett, Robert Lewis, CA/55, on March 9, 2006.

Wiebe, Jacob, BSc/56, on August 15, 2006.

Yankowsky, Zenon, BA(Hons)/55, on March 27, 2006.

Zink, Michael Bill, BSc/58, MSc/60, PhD/64, on October 15, 2005.

Zipursky, Freda S., BA/52, on September 26, 2005.

Zunic, Nikola Mathew, BArch/50, on April 6, 2006.

1960-69

Beehler, Rodger George, BA(Hons)/64, on February 21, 2006.

Boland (nee Pisnook), Patricia Gail, BA/63, CertEd/64, on January 7, 2006.

Brooks, Allan Arnott, Dip.Agric/68, on April 7, 2006.

Conklin, Robert Gerald, CA/63, on April 1, 2006.

Dickson, Joyce Ethel, BEd/60, on April 23, 2006.

Dirks, Henry T., BSc/51, MD/59, on April 11, 2006.

Farenhurst (nee Shirtliffe), Florence Mae, BA/60, on April 17, 2006.

Gillman, Thomas Harold, BScCE/50, on May 18, 2006.

Livak, John Michael, MEd/60, on May 23, 2006.


Lazowski, Jan, BA/64, on March 5, 2006.

Lemaire, Marcelle, MEd/62, on May 26, 2006.

Marko, David, BComm/64, on August 4, 2005.

McIvor (nee Moore), Marion Faithe, BA/52, on March 9, 2006.

McKeal (nee May), Mary Margaret, BSc/60, on March 19, 2006.


McLaughlin, Patrick, PhD/66, on April 15, 2006.

McParland, William, BScCE/52, on April 17, 2006.

O'Brien, James John, BSc/58, on March 19, 2006.

Porter, David G., MD/59, on March 10, 2006.

Schoepp, Janet, BA/60, on March 11, 2006.

Schindel, Lorraine, BEd/60, on March 12, 2006.

Schmidt, Sieghard, B.Arch/55, on October 19, 2005.

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Milne, Barry William, BScCE/65, on May 19, 2006.
Nass, Hans G., BSc(Hons)/64, on April 7, 2005
Pranys, Lorraine, BSc/68, on March 4, 2006.
Roberts, Kathleen, BScPharm/66, on April 14, 2006.
Thompson, Paul Robert, BScEE/66, MSc/68, on February 17, 2006.
Vansamis, John, Dip.Psych/64, on April 10, 2006.
White, Gary Reginald, BA/67, CertEd/69, BEd/70, on March 27, 2006.
White, Raymond Courtney, BSc/63, CertEd/64, BEd/72, MEd/79, on April 11, 2006.
Williams, Patricia Ethel, BA/62, BEd/63, on April 23, 2006.
Wilson, Donald N., BSA/67, on March 7, 2006.

1970-79

Bulka, Lubomir, BScCE/78, on February 5, 2006.
Calof, Norman, CertEd/72, on May 18, 2006.
Collins, Muriel Jean, BPEd/72, BEd/73, BA/73, on March 1, 2006.
Glennie, Keith Edward, CA/74, on May 28, 2006.
Grierson, Marie Christine, BPEd/74, on October 11, 2005.
Fast, Harold, BSc/75, MD/79, on November 17, 2005.
Hall, Donald James Stewart, MEd/75, on May 24, 2006.
Johnston, Gwen Merle, BPEd/77, on May 21, 2006.
Linklater, John Douglas, BSW/73, MSW/77, on February 13, 2006.
Lowther, Rachel Morrison, MA/74, PhD/80, on January 31, 2006.
Macconnell, Barbara E., CertEd/75, on February 26, 2006.
Muir (nee Rempel), Theresa, BA/76, on February 22, 2006.

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Hamerton O.C., John Laurence, Distinguished Professor Emeritus, University of Manitoba, on February 9, 2006.
Murphy, Lium Joseph, Professor of Medicine and Physiology, Faculty of Medicine, and Director of the Diabetes Research Group, on July 9, 2006.
Sneideman, Barney, Professor and Associate Director of the Centre for Professional and Applied Ethics Professor, Faculty of Law, on May 28, 2006.

Townsend, Joan, Professor Emerita of Anthropology, on May 23, 2006.
A scholarship is being established in memory of Jessica Bernardin, a University of Manitoba Faculty of Music student who passed away in a tragic automobile accident in November 2005 on her way to class. For more information on The Jessica Marie Bernardin Memorial Scholarship, please contact Diana Kaspersion at 204-474-9261.

Upcoming Events

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September 14, 2006

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October 20, 2006 – Robson Hall, Fort Garry Campus

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Black Hole Theatre 2006-2007 Season
This season, the Theatre is planning to present three, full-length evening productions including: Christopher Durang’s Beyond Therapy; as part of StoppardFest 2007, Rosenkrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead; and Maureen Hunter’s Footprints on the Moon. In addition, the Theatre is offering five noon hour production of short plays.

For more information, visit: www.umanitoba.ca/theatre/bhtc.htm

Prairie Mysteries: The Photographs of Dennis Evans
As part of the St. John’s College and Canadian Studies conference, this exhibition will run from September 9 to October 29 at St. John’s College.

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September 2 and 3, 2006

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Med Reunion

The Medicine Class of ‘91 held its 15th year reunion in Whistler, BC on April 7-9, 2006. The weekend started off with conversation over drinks on Friday night. Joel Carter, Alex Chan and Rob Roy presented at the Saturday breakfast scientific session. Following a leisurely day of skiing, hot tubbing or site-seeing, the classmates reconvened for a lively dinner at the Whistler Hilton. The reunion was capped off with a family Sunday brunch. Everyone enjoyed the weekend, and plans are already underway for a 20th reunion in Banff!

Back row (L to R): Joel Carter, Boston, MA; Anna Kinahan, Victoria, BC; Mark Clark, Dauphin, MB; Jim Bergman, Vancouver, BC; Garnet Warran, North Vancouver, BC; Eunice Fast, Victoria, BC; Lisa Penner, Calgary, AB; Alex Chan, Vancouver, BC; Robert Roy, Burnaby, BC

Front row (seated L to R): Liz Zubek, Maple Ridge, BC; Anne Kong, Winnipeg, MB; Anita Wong, Langley, BC; Juannita Thiessen, Eugene, OR.

Not pictured: Hardy Dhaliwal, Burnaby, BC

Aime Family

The Albert Aime family members are all proud graduates of the University of Manitoba (UofM) and all hold Master’s degrees. Albert, the father, has a BA/67, BEd/68 and MEd/78 from the UofM. His wife Anne has a BA, BEd/79 from the UM and a MBA from Marymount University in Virginia (MU). Michelle, the oldest daughter, has a BA/92 from the UM and a MA from MU. Monique has an honour’s economics BS/93 from UM and an MBA from MU. Albert (Al) lives in Falls Church, VA and retired in July 1998 from the World Bank where he was a senior education planner. Anne also retired in 1998 after teaching at MU and working as the school nurse at O’Connell High School in Northern Virginia. Since retirement Al and Anne have visited all the provinces of Canada and to date 48 US states in their motor home. Michelle is president of Human Touch LLC operating in Northern Virginia, District of Columbia (DC) and Maryland. Monique is the Director of Marketing at the Telecommunication Industry Association (TIA) in Arlington, VA and Nicole is a program manager for a missile agency contractor in Northern Virginia/Washington, DC area.

Engineers Gather

On June 8 a total of 38 people, grads and spouses from the Engineering class of ’56 had a great afternoon at a reception at Paul and Marilyn White’s house followed by a reception and dinner at MacLean House on Sunnybrook Estates in Toronto.
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