Willkommen, bienvenue, welcome!

CHRIS RUTKOWSKI
The Bulletin
On Tuesday, September 1, 2009, at 10:30 am, the new Welcome Centre at the University of Manitoba officially opened its doors to receive visitors at the Fort Garry Campus.

President David Barnard and vice-president (administration) Debbie McCallum were joined by Marilyn Brick, MLA for St. Norbert, Member of Parliament Rod Bruinooge, and Sid Rashid, president of the University of Manitoba Students’ Union, to formally set out the “welcome mat” after a short ceremony.

The previous Visitor Centre—which was torn down to accommodate the new Welcome Centre—served as the first point of contact for visitors to campus. The new building is so much more; more than 10,000 square feet of space allow for the centralization of all operations related to Parking and Shuttle Services, Guest and Visitor Services, and Security Services. Previously, all three departments operated out of different locations, so amalgamating them under one roof will allow for more efficient public service and enhanced communication between the departments in a safe and welcoming environment.

The $7.3 million facility includes major IT development and related infrastructure costs for state-of-the-art CCtV camera and monitoring systems, particularly needed for Security Services operations.

“This architectural showpiece is not only striking, it will function as a true welcome centre,” said Barnard. “It will act as a central point of contact for visitors to our campus, its staff providing information about the University, giving parking directions and addressing safety concerns.”
Sex and youth
Globe and Mail
September 4, 2009

Dr. Bob Altemeyer’s research into the sexual habits of firstyear university students, which was laid out in his latest book Sex and Youth, was noticed by the media recently. Some revelations in his study: at least one quarter of surveyed students were still virgins; most students had never ‘hooked up’; and the majority of teen sex occurs in long-term, romantic relationships.

The media gets hip
New York Times, Reuters, CJOB
August 26, 2009

A University of Manitoba-led study that shows that rates of hip fractures in Canada have been steadily falling for two decades got plenty of notice from the media, both nationally and internationally. The study’s lead author is Dr. William D. Leslie, a professor of medicine and radiology.

U of M research cited by CIA
Globe and Mail, CTV, CJOB, Winnipeg Free Press, UPI, Winnipeg Sun
August 27, 2009

Dr. Gordon Giesbrecht, AKA Professor Popsicle, was the centre of a chilling story recently when it was revealed that the CIA was citing his research in some of their interrogation procedures documents. Giesbrecht’s research on hypothermia and cold water survival was the focus of the CIA’s torture memo citations.

Black Russian sturgeons make splash
Winnipeg Free Press, CJOB, UPI
August 26, 2009

The story of three Black Russian sturgeons who were seized from smugglers by Canadian Wildlife Services in the fall of 2007, and have made the University of Manitoba’s biological sciences department their home for the last two years, got plenty of media attention recently when a call went out to find them a new home.

Headlines:

- “NDP begins process to replace Doer,” Globe and Mail, August 28, 2009, cites Paul Thomas, professor of politics at the University of Manitoba.
- “Home robots edging closer to reality,” CBC, September 2, 2009, features Jacky Baltes, a computer science professor at the University of Manitoba who is developing a robot called Archie in conjunction with the Vienna University of Technology in Austria.
Bannatyne Campus – St. Boniface General Hospital and Research Centre

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18

“Pleiotropic Effects of Statins: Anti-Inflammatory Impact on Airway Mesenchymal Cells?” with Dr. Andrew Halayko, Associate Professor, Physiology and Internal Medicine.

September 21-25

Used book sale to benefit Books With Wings, a student run organization that sends up to date books to the university libraries of Afghanistan. Price per book: $2.00. Monday and Tuesday, 9:00-12:00; Wednesday and Thursday, 9:00-5:00. Single journal issues $0.25 all week. Cash or cheques.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Department of Entomology Meeting, 10:10am, Tuesday, September 15

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

The first seminar in the 2009-2010 Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Seminar Series

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18

Department of Physics and Astronomy Colloquium, Dr. Alyssa Gilbert, university member, Veronica. “From Asteroids to the Prairies: Snow and rain are not the only modes of precipitation. The difference in the type of precipitation depends on the type of atmosphere and the history of the surface. and the history of cinema.”

September 25

Dr. David Lubin, Charlotte C. Weber Professor of Art at Wake Forest University, Dr. Lubin specializes in American art and culture, and the history of cinema.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA IS CLEANING UP FROM THE SUMMER CONSTRUCTION SEASON TO HAVE STUDENTS AND STAFF EASILY NAVIGATE AROUND CAMPUS.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14

Learning from dying cancer patients during their final days: Life reflections gleaned from dignity therapy. One of the most perplexing challenges facing end of life providers is how to help patients achieve a sense of dignity as death draws near. The findings are discussed in terms of values theory, our conceptual framework of dignity, and the practical ways health care providers can enhance the dignity of dying cancer patients. Dr. Tom Hack and Dr. Susan Miers, 570 Helen Glass Centre. You can participate in this session via Telehealth. If you would like to register your site, please contact the Manitoba Centre for Nursing and Health Research at 474-9080 or nursing_research@umanitoba.ca, 12 noon - 1pm, Monday, September 14.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences Council meeting. 172 Agriculture Building, 1:00pm, Tuesday, September 15

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Department of Entomology

“Rationing Swine Flu Vaccine: some ethical issues.” Professor Neil McArthur and Emily Muller. Neil McArthur teaches in the Department of Philosophy and is the Ethics Centre’s Associate Director for Applied Ethics and Social Justice. Emily Muller is a Ph.D. candidate at Cornell University. The Private Dining Room, University College, 12:30-1:30, Monday, September 21

DISTINGUISHED VISITOR LECTURE: J ustice Murray Sinclair, Chair of the Indian Residential Schools Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and a graduate of the University of Manitoba Faculty of Law, will give a Distinguished Visitor Lecture on Monday, September 21, 2009 from 12:00-1:00pm in the Moot Court Room, Robson Hall.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22

Department of Entomology

“Stability of Natural Populations: A Native Aphid at Three Spatial Scales” Featuring Dr. Robert Lamb, Agriculture & Agri-Food Canada. 220 Animal Science/Entomology Building, Tuesday September 22

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25

Dr. David Lubin, Charlotte C. Weber Professor of Art at Wake Forest University, Dr. Lubin specializes in American art and culture, and the history of cinema.

The University of Manitoba is cleaning up from the summer construction season to have students and staff easily navigate around campus.

As the fall term at the University of Manitoba begins, there will be few construction barriers that students have to deal with. Ken Berman of the university’s Physical Plant says N-Lot will be closed until October to accommodate orientation. However, this is done annually.

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University of Manitoba students and researchers working towards breakthroughs in allergy, asthma, cancer, vaccination and auto immune disease research are based in the $5.6M home on Bannatyne Campus. The Faculty of Medicine’s Department of Immunology officially opened its new location September 9 as part of an international symposium called “New Frontiers in Immunology.”

Featuring 18,000 square feet of research and teaching space, the Immunology Department is now located on the fourth floor of Apotex Centre, a $32M building that opened on Bannatyne Campus last fall. The space includes a state-of-the-art open-concept research laboratory with tissue culture facilities, molecular facilities to study and experimentally manipulate genes that control cell differentiation, and flow cytometry and confocal facilities to study and understand the immune system at the single cell level.

The new space was made possible thanks to $1.6M funding generously provided by the Federal, Provincial and City governments through the Winnipeg Partnership Agreement with the remaining support coming from the University of Manitoba, the Faculty of Medicine, the private sector, and faculty members within the department.

“Our Government is proud to support this new and innovative research centre at the University of Manitoba,” said MP Rod Bruneau. “By strengthening Manitoba’s existing immunology and infectious disease research cluster with state-of-the-art equipment and expanded facilities, we are further developing this university’s research capacity and providing our medical graduates with exciting and rewarding career opportunities.”

“The exemplary research facilities housed here will build on our tradition of innovation and facilitate the training of new generations of scientists,” said Dr. David Barnard, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Manitoba.

“The Faculty of Medicine is a proud supporter of the well-regarded and successful Immunology research program, and of this new facility that will promote further achievement and growth in this fertile area,” said Dr. J. Dean Sandraham, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. “Creation of this infrastructure, some of the best in the world, provides Manitoba and the University the opportunity to build on the existing critical mass and momentum established by this country’s first Immunology Department.”

The department has been a national and international powerhouse since it was established as Canada’s first in the 1960s. It currently has 25 faculty, more than 70 students and researchers, and offers research thesis Masters in Science, PhD training, co-op, undergraduate and post-graduate Medical and Pharmacy students. Undergraduate Science students, and graduate students from at least five faculties at the University of Manitoba. Three Research Chairs are also located within the department.

The Immunology Department has received international recognition for major research and is home to two Canada Research Chairs and one Manitoba Health Research Council chair.

“Demand for top talent is exceptionally competitive internationally. Attracting—and then retaining—top award winning students, advanced research trainees, faculty and academic leadership requires tangible support or the opportunity is lost” said Dr. Redwan Moqbel, Head, Department of Immunology.

Eleven outstanding students have been chosen as Leaders of Tomorrow and awarded $5,000 entrance scholarships. Their selection was based on leadership qualities and academic performance in high school, and their involvement in student extracurricular activities and their communities.

Students applying for a Leader of Tomorrow scholarship must be involved in their school 90 per cent, be involved in their school Grade 12 averages of more than 90 and community and display exemplary accomplishments and goals in a variety of areas, from academic achievement to sports, and from community service to business acumen, in their own words. Jacqueline Proctor, Warren Collegiate; “I am a Teen Talk representative, being available to fellow students for advice as well as doing presentations on topics of choices and difficulties that young people face. After visiting the National Holocaust Museum in Washington, I realize how lucky I am to get an education and have the freedom I enjoy.”

Emily Lair, Gimli High School; “After witnessing homophobic behavior at my school, I worked with the Social Justice Committee and a professional filmmaker to create a documentary titled ‘In the Locker.’ I intend to pursue avenues to raise awareness in this field at university and throughout my life.”

Evelina Mougorian, Shaftesbury High School; “As a person born in another country, and being a Christian, I have been faced with discrimination against me. As a student in University, I plan on standing up for those who are facing discrimination, and I want to be there for those who need help in this way.”

Breanna Mulhall, St. Mary’s Academy: “Art bestows on me the image of a strong and wise leader. There are many different forms of the arts, each of which is important in today’s world. Each of these arts must be given their due respect and should be allowed to shine within their environment.”

Mackay Collegiate: “Over the past five years, I have been a referee for the Winnipeg Minor Hockey Program. But for me, school always comes first, and it is a challenge for me to create time for interests such as hockey, golf and fundraising groups.”

Nicolas Humninski, Lord Selkirk Secondary School; “Being on both Junior and Youth Parliament for over six years, I have learned how our governing system works (and doesn’t work) along with a knowledge of many key factors within politics. As minister of state this year, I wrote bills concerning welfare system reform and making university available to all Canadians.”

Alexa Yakhyovich, Grant Park High School; “When I was eleven years old, a family friend lost her battle with breast cancer. I was devastated but felt I had to do something, so I started heading and selling bracelets, donating all proceeds to CancerCare Manitoba, eventually establishing my own non-profit corporation.”

Talia Joudni, Balmoral Hall; “At school, I organized a spirit squad, founded an Amnesty International Student Group and volunteered at the Grace Hospital. I understand that as a collaboration of youth, the work we do makes a significant difference in the care of patients.”

Andrew Stammers, Murdoch Mackay Collegiate; “Over the past five years, I have been a referee for the Winnipeg Minor Hockey Program. But for me, school always comes first, and it is a challenge for me to create time for interests such as hockey, golf and fundraising groups.”

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Hip fracture rates decline in Canada

University of Manitoba professor and section head lead researcher in report published in *Journal of the American Medical Association*

Standardized rates of hip fracture have steadily declined in Canada since 1985, with a more rapid decline between 1996 and 2005 and a more marked decrease among individuals age 55 to 64 years, according to a report in the August 26 issue of *JAMA*.

Osteoporosis is a common bone-thinning disease that predisposes individuals to fractures, according to background information in the article. “Because the prevalence of osteoporosis increases with age, the global burden of osteoporosis is projected to rise markedly over the next few decades as the number of elderly individuals increases,” the authors write. “The incidence of hip fractures is an index of the osteoporosis burden and the potential impact of preventive efforts in the population.”

Dr. Leslie, lead researcher of the report entitled Trends in Hip Fracture Rates in Canada, is Section Head for Nuclear Medicine at the University of Manitoba, Director of the Manitoba Bone Density Program and Vice-Chair of the Scientific Advisory Council of Osteoporosis Canada.

Over the 21 years of data analyzed in the research, age-adjusted rates of hip fracture declined 5.1 percent in females and 25 percent in males. The largest percentage decrease was observed among individuals age 55 to 64 years; hip fracture rates decreased by almost one-half in females and about one-third in males in this age range. Detailed analyses identified a more rapid decline beginning around 1996.

“Over the past two decades, the average age-adjusted annual percentage decrease in hip fracture rates was 1.2 percent per year from 1985 to 1996 and 2.4 percent per year from 1996 to 2005,” the authors write.

Similarly trends have been reported in other countries, including the United States, the authors write. The reasons for the decrease are not clear, they note. The decline began before the widespread availability of bone density testing or pharmacological treatments for osteoporosis, and there is little evidence to suggest that improvements in physical activity, calcium intake, vitamin D status or prevention of falls are responsible.

“Overweight and obesity are epidemic in modern societies and may contribute to reduced fracture rates,” they write. Although the percentage rates decreased, the absolute number of hip fracture increased over the study period—a phenomenon attributable to the changing age structure of the population, the authors note. “Hip fractures continue to exert major effects on the population, particularly the elderly, and on the health care system, related to the morbidity, costs and mortality from these fractures,” they conclude. “Therefore, the decreasing incidence rates are not grounds for complacency toward osteoporosis prevention and treatment.”
Orientation 2009

Public Affairs staff Chris Rutkowski and Chris Reid were out early Tuesday morning capturing photos of the many University of Manitoba Orientation 2009 volunteers who were helping thousands of first-year students get their bearings on campus at the start of the 2009 academic year.

JOE DOUPE MEMORIAL LECTURE AND CELEBRATION OF THE B.SC. MED. PROGRAM

Dr. David H. Peters
(B.Sc. Med./86, MD/86, MPH, DrPH)
- Director, Health Systems Program, Department of International Health, Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health
- An expert in health sector reform and poverty, the performance of health systems, the role of the private sector roles in health, human resource management, and assessing new technologies to improve patient care by non-physicians.

SCHEDULE
- Noon – 1:00 P.M.
  • Joe Doupe Memorial Lecture presented by Dr. David H. Peters
    • Introduction by Dr. J. Dean Sandham, Dean of Medicine
    • Joe Doupe Memorial Lecture
  • B.Sc. Med. Awards Presentation
  • Reception in Joe Doupe Concourse

The Faculty of Medicine’s new Curriculum Management System OPAL goes live August 19, 2009

OPAL will change teaching, learning, and communication within the Faculty of Medicine and improve the way medical education is delivered in Manitoba.

www.umanitoba.ca/medicine/opal
2009 Northern Climates Alternative Building Design Day

The Alternative Village provides opportunities for researchers, students, practitioners, industry and the public to share ideas and conduct research and testing programs on alternative energy technologies and building envelope systems including a straw-bale building.

Presentations and demonstrations of:
- Are we being “Green-washed”?
- Discover your Carbon Footprint
- Urbanizing Rural Technology

Saturday, September 19th
8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Cost (includes lunch): $60 ($30 for students)

Engineering & Information Technology Complex - morning sessions
The Alternative Village - lunch and afternoon sessions
University of Manitoba Fort Garry Campus

For more information or to register: umanitoba.ca/engineering/alternative_village
474-7113

St Paul’s High School
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2009 Ignatian Challenge Award
TRIBUTE DINNER
Honouring
Dr Emőke Szathmáry

3 November 2009
Winnipeg Convention Centre
Reception 5:30 pm; Dinner 7:00 pm

St Paul’s President, Fr Alan Fogarty SJ, is pleased to announce that Dr Emőke Szathmáry, President Emeritus and Vice Chancellor of the University of Manitoba (1996–2008), is the 2009 Ignatian Challenge Award Honouree.

The proceeds of the annual Tribute Dinner support the establishment of the Dr Emőke Szathmáry Bursary Fund. Bursary Funds are an essential aspect of a Jesuit education at St Paul’s High School ensuring accessibility for all qualified applicants.

Dr Szathmáry has had a profound impact on our city, the university and, through her efforts, at the University of Manitoba and St Paul’s College on the development and accessibility of post-secondary Catholic education.

Join us on 3 November 2009 as we pay tribute to Dr Emőke Szathmáry’s outstanding community leadership and raise funds to ensure the accessibility of a Jesuit education at St Paul’s High School.

To purchase individual tickets and tables or to become a Tribute Dinner sponsor please call Randy Van de Mosselaer at (204) 431-2332 or rvandemosselaer@stpauls.mb.ca.

Individual ticket purchasers from the University of Manitoba may request (at time of purchase) to be seated with colleagues and friends.

Educating Men for Others
www.stpauls.mb.ca
A second retention pond on the grounds of Smartpark will not only help collect and move storm water away from the technology park’s growing number of developments, it will also be a visually attractive eco-system.

“Essentially, the pond will be developed as a functional wetlands and a storm water retention basin” said Larry Paskaruk, Director of Property Development Management at Smartpark.

“Once completed, the second retention pond will look and function just like a marsh or wet meadow with indigenous plants and clean, clear water.”

And that’s precisely why the project is generating a lot of excitement in the university community, because it promises to be a welcome visual and environmental addition to the Fort Garry campus.

The first phase of the retention pond’s development is already underway, with the excavation of the water basin and the installation of necessary storm sewer piping. Once the first phase is complete, estimated to be in December 2009, it will form the second half of the two-pond stormwater retention and control system designed to collect rainwater and snowmelt from all of Smartpark with a controlled slow release of water to the Red River.

Next spring, the second or naturalization phase will take place with revegetation of native plants in the pond and upland seeding of turf surrounding the pond. Within three years the pond will grow into a mature wetland, equivalent to a naturalized lake. Eventually, trails will be established so that visitors and tenants can stroll or cycle around the pond and enjoy the view.

The second retention pond is necessary to facilitate the development of new research and technology buildings on the west 50 acres of Smartpark lands; the original retention pond on the east half of the grounds has reached its design capacity.

Paskaruk said when plans were made for the original retention pond at Smartpark a decade ago, the option to make the water system a wetland was not economically feasible, but today, the cost is virtually the same. And, one could speculate that this new wetland-style retention pond will become an amenity that adds long term value to the park through the retention of tenants and the attraction of new technology based economic developments at Smartpark.

The project is made possible by funding from the federal government’s Knowledge Infrastructure Program (KIP). KIP is a federal initiative to renew Canada’s college and university infrastructure. By making large-scale investments in infrastructure, the Government of Canada is providing significant short-term economic stimulus in local communities across the country.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

AUTUMN LECTURE SERIES:

“Rationing Swine Flu Vaccine: some ethical issues”
Professor Neil McArthur and Emily Muller
Neil McCarthur teaches in the Department of Philosophy and is the Ethics Centre’s Associate Director for Applied Ethics and Social Justice. Emily Muller is a Ph.D. candidate at Cornell University Monday, 21st September, 12:30-1:30 The Private Dining Room, University College

“The Ethics of Indigenous Anti-Colonialism”
Professor Glen Coulthard
Glen Coulthard teaches in the First Nations Studies Programme at UBC Friday, 25th September, 12:30-1:30 409 Tier Building

“Sow Stalls: Ethics, Perceptions and Animal Welfare”
Professor Dana Medoro
Department of English, Film and Theatre; Farm Animal Welfare Researcher, Winnipeg Humane Society. Dr. Wayne Lees, Chief Veterinary Officer, Government of Manitoba Twyla Francois, Head of Investigation, Canadian for the Ethical Treatment of Food Animals Professor Laurie Connor, Head, Department of Animal Science Paul Shapiro Senior Director, Factory Farming Campaign, Humane Society of the United States Thursday, 15th October, 12:30-2: Richardson Auditorium, 172 Agricultural Bldg

“The Ugly Canadian: how Canada became one of the bad kids on the block and what we can do about that”
Professor Amir Attaran
Amir Attaran is a lawyer and scientist. He is Canada Research Chair in Law, Population Health and Global Development Policy in the Faculties of Law and Medicine at the University of Ottawa. Friday, 16th October, 12:30-1:30 Concourse Lounge, University College

Everyone is welcome to attend any or all of these events.

HISTORIC TRAUMA / HISTORIC HEALING

As part of the 2009 Homecoming celebrations at the University of Manitoba, the Faculty of Social Work is holding special events to celebrate its graduates and join in a holistic approach to reconciliation with the Aboriginal communities.

On Wednesday, September 9, 2009, the Faculty, along with the Aboriginal Social Workers’ Society in Manitoba, Inc., will be co-sponsoring a public forum at 2 p.m. at Circle of Life Thunderbird House. Guest speaker for this event is Dr. Marlene Brant Castellano, professor emerita from Trent University and member of the Order of Canada since 2004. The theme of her presentation is “Historic Trauma / Historic Healing”, in which she will provide insights from research of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation.

Brant Castellano will also be speaking during Social Work’s Homecoming Celebration the next evening, September 10th, at 7−9:30 pm in the Baird Poskanzer Lecture Series at the Centre culturel de franco-manitobain.

Also that evening, there will be a presentation of the Helen Mann 50th Anniversary Award to distinguished recipient Phil Fontaine, former National Chief, Assembly of First Nations. The award was created in 1992 to recognize “a person or organization who or which has made an outstanding contribution to the Social Work profession and/or to the field of social work in general in the Province of Manitoba.”

APPOINTMENTS

Gary Glavin has been appointed Associate Vice-President (Research) at the University of Manitoba for a five-year term. Previously, Dr. Glavin served as Head of the department of pharmacology and therapeutics and Associate Vice-President (Research). Dr. Glavin received his PhD in 1975 and completed post-doctoral training at The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. He served on interchange to the Public Health Agency of Canada’s National Microbiology Lab, where he was Deputy Scientific Director-General. He currently serves on the board of directors for the Canada Foundation for Innovation and Canadian Blood Services. He also chairs the scientific review committee of the ISTR/STCU Global Partnerships Program.

Janice Ristock has been appointed Associate Vice-President (Research) at the University of Manitoba for a five-year term. Previously, Dr. Ristock served as Associate Dean (Research and Faculty Development) in the Faculty of Arts and as Coordinator of the Women’s and Gender Studies Program. Dr. Ristock has a doctoral degree in community psychology. She is internationally recognized for her research on violence in same-sex relationships and community-based research methodologies. She has received numerous awards including the YMC&WBCA Women of Distinction Award. She is currently the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRRC) Leader for the University of Manitoba.
WHAT IS H1N1 INFLUENZA?
The term pandemic influenza refers to a worldwide spread of a new influenza virus. The current virus of concern is the H1N1 virus. Because it is new, most people do not have immunity to it. It is a respiratory illness that causes symptoms similar to those of seasonal flu.

HOW IS H1N1 INFLUENZA SPREAD?
It is believed that it spreads the same way as regular seasonal flu. Influenza and other respiratory infections go from person to person when germs released from coughing and sneezing enter the nose and/or throat. Germs can also rest on hard surfaces like counters and doorknobs, where they can be picked up on hands and transmitted to the respiratory system when someone touches their mouth and/or nose.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?
The symptoms include:
- Sudden Fever (100.4°F / 38°C)
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Body aches
- Fatigue: physical exhaustion; and
- Lack of appetite.
In some cases, these symptoms are accompanied by vomiting and diarrhea.

HOW DO I PROTECT MYSELF AND OTHERS?
The Province of Manitoba through the Manitoba Health and Health Living (MHHL) recommends the following precautions:
- Cover your cough by coughing into your elbow or sleeve or use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Hand sanitizers are also effective.
- Reduce the spread of germs by limiting touching your eyes, nose or mouth and by washing your hands frequently.
- Maintain your health by taking care of yourself and those in your care including eating a healthy balanced diet, avoiding cigarette smoke and other harmful substances, being active and getting enough rest and sleep.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I GET SICK?
If you have symptoms of a respiratory infection, you should:
- Stay home from school or work and limit unnecessary contact with others.
- Contact your health-care provider or visit your nearest health-care centre if you are concerned that you may need care – especially if your symptoms are severe or worsening (e.g., shortness of breath, dehydration, or worsening fever, cough or weakness).
- Students seeking medical advice can contact University Health Service (UHS) by calling (204) 474-8411 or visit their web site: umanitoba.ca/student/health. For personal advice on self-care or when to seek further care, those who cannot contact their primary health-care provider can phone Health Links-Info Santé at any time at 788-8200 or toll-free at 1-888-315-9257.

IF I AM SICK CAN A PROFESSOR / INSTRUCTOR ASK ME TO LEAVE THE CLASS?
Yes, if you have influenza symptoms your professor or instructor can ask you to leave the class and not return until your symptoms are gone. If this occurs professors / instructors have been asked to accommodate and be flexible to allow you to complete your course work.

DO YOU HAVE A STUDY BUDDY?
If you are ill and unable to attend class do you have a Study Buddy within your class that will share notes and hand outs after you have recovered. If you do not have a Study Buddy please ask a classmate to become yours. And if you are asked to be a Study Buddy please assist your fellow student because you may need their help if you are ill.

DO YOU HAVE A HEALTH BUDDY?
Many of our students come from other provinces and other countries, which means they are away from their support network of friends and family. If you are in this situation please make friends with someone who can be your Health Buddy. A Health Buddy is someone who will keep in touch with you regularly to see if you are healthy and if they cannot reach you they would be expected to find you to ensure you are healthy or to find out if you need assistance.

WHAT IS THE UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA DOING ABOUT H1N1?
The University of Manitoba has been involved in pandemic planning and has developed an institutional plan. Deans, Directors, and Heads of Administrative Units have also been requested to develop their own unit plans. A Pandemic Planning Committee is actively involved in overseeing and communicating the planning activities, which includes an awareness campaign and provision of hand sanitizing stations.
The primary method of communication will be via the University of Manitoba’s web site, visit: umanitoba.ca and follow the H1N1 Flu Virus link.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?
Internet resources include:
- U of M pandemic planning web site: umanitoba.ca/pandemic;
- Province of Manitoba: www.gov.mb.ca/flu;
- Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC): www.fightflu.ca;

University of Manitoba Research Support Programs

To encourage the development of research, the University offers a number of research support programs. These programs are administered by the Office of the Vice-President (Research) on behalf of the University. For further information on these programs (i.e. program priorities and guidelines, applications procedures, etc.), contact the appropriate person listed below, or access the forms via the Web at: http://umanitoba.ca/research/ors/internalfunding_deadlines_forms.html

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For information on the programs below, contact Andrea Craig 480-1819 – Office of Research Services

Leave Research Grant Program
- To designate part of applicant’s salary as a grant-in-aid of research conducted while on research/study leave
- 2 months prior to leave

Self-funded Research Grant Program
- To designate part of applicant’s salary as a grant-in-aid of research conducted while not on leave from the University (within one calendar year)
- September 30 / January 31 / May 31

For information on the programs below, contact Lindsey Troschuk 789-3493 – Office of the Vice-President (Research)

Samuel Weiner Distinguished Visitor Award
- To bring distinguished scholars who are making outstanding contributions to their field(s) of research to the University for visits of up to one month
- May 1

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Duff Roblin Fire Recovery Updates

An information session for those affected by the fire will be held on Monday, September 14 from 11 am to noon in the Multi-Purpose Room of University Centre.

As the fall term begins and students return to classes, the University of Manitoba continues to deal with the aftermath of a serious fire in the Duff Roblin building which occurred in March. While recovery and rebuilding efforts are well underway, the building remains unusable at this time. Over the summer, the university arranged for the relocation of offices, classes and labs for the affected facilities, specifically the departments of biological sciences, psychology, human nutritional sciences, textile sciences and anthropology. Everything possible is being done to ensure appropriate facilities are in place for the smooth continuation of academic programs and to ensure a minimal impact on students.

From time to time, however, disruptions may occur and it undertakes to complete the rebuilding process. what students are being asked to bear with the university as this transition time. As the rebuilding process continues, labs and research will be moved to new spaces as they become available. Instructors will provide students with information regarding the location of labs.

Psychology

The department’s general office has moved to Chancellors Hall (749-9358). Undergraduate students are encouraged to direct their questions to:
- Sarah Germain, Undergraduate Student Advisor, at 749-6982, psychugadvisor@umanitoba.ca
- Dr. Jason Leboe, Associate Head (Undergraduate), at 272-1558, leboe@cc.umanitoba.ca
- Graduate students are encouraged to direct their questions to:
- Linda Inglis, Graduate Programs Coordinator, at 749-6577, Psych_Grad_Office@umanitoba.ca

Teaching will continue as usual but in various locations across campus. Temporary research labs have been established both around campus and in a dedicated trailer village in the “B” parking lot (located to the east of the Fletcher Argue building). Students are encouraged to consult the department’s web site for information about temporary offices and research labs, and other information pertaining to the department (http://umanitoba.ca/psychology).

Biological Sciences

The department’s general offices have moved to 121 Machray Hall (749-9245).
- Undergraduate students can direct any department-specific questions to this office or to:
  - Urmi Deonauth, undergraduate program administrator, at deonauth@cc.umanitoba.ca
  - Dr. Gary Anderson, undergraduate program coordinator, at anderson@cc.umanitoba.ca
- Graduate students can direct questions to the general office or to:
  - Maureen Foster, graduate program administrator, at mfsotier@cc.umanitoba.ca
  - Dr. Michele Piercy-Normore, graduate studies program coordinator, at pierceyn@cc.umanitoba.ca

Teaching will continue as usual despite the fire, however, small adjustments may result from changes in available equipment or space. There will be no labs taught in the Duff Roblin building at this time. Research labs from Duff Roblin have moved to other locations on campus including the Buller building, the Crop Technology Centre, Machray Hall, Allen building and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans building. In some cases, laboratories will now accommodate research that is led by more than one researcher, or students may be working more closely together during this transition time.

As usual, course information can also be found in the University of Manitoba student calendar or by logging in to Aurora Student or by contacting your specific faculty or department.

Academic Job Opportunities

A full listing of employment opportunities at the University of Manitoba can be found at umanitoba.ca. The University of Manitoba encourages applications from qualified women and men, including members of visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. Please include the position number when applying for openings at the university.

FACULTY OF NURSING

Position: 2-year term Instructor positions
Start date: April 1, 2010
Application deadline: Oct. 30, 2009
Position number: 10277, 10278
For information: Dauna Crooks, Dean, Faculty of Nursing, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 2N2, or dauna_crooks@umanitoba.ca.

FACULTY OF ARTS

Department of Psychology
Position: full-time tenure-track, Assistant Professor, Health Sociology
Start date: July 1, 2010
Position number: 08556
Application deadline: November 2, 2009
For information: Dr. Elizabeth Comack, Head, Department of Sociology, 318 Isbister Building, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, Canada R3T 2N2, Email: comack@cc.umanitoba.ca, Phone: (204) 789-3585; Dr. Andrew MacDiarmid, Head, Department of Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba, 260-727 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3E 3P5, Phone 204-777-5628

FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Department of Medical Education
Position: Director, Standardized Patient Program
Start date: Nov. 1, 2009
Application deadline: Nov. 23, 2009
For information: Dr. Andrew MacDiarmid, Head, Department of Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba, 260-727 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3E 3P5 Phone 204-777-5628

Department of Medicine
Position: Head of the Department of Emergency Medicine and Medical Director, Emergency Program, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority
Position number: 08177
Application deadline: Oct. 31, 2009
For information: Dr. J. Dean Sandham, (204) 789-3585, Dr. Brian Postl: (204) 926-7016

For information:
- Dr. Todd Mondor, Department of Psychology, University of Manitoba, Chancellor’s Hall, 177 Dysart Road, Winnipeg, Manitoba, R3T 2N2. Phone 204-747-9360 or Email todd_mondor@umanitoba.ca
- Dr. Andrew MacDiarmid, Head, Department of Medicine, University of Manitoba, 260-727 McDermot Ave., Winnipeg, MB R3E 3P5 Phone 204-777-5628
- Dr. Dan Bailis, Associate Head (Graduate), at 749-8509

Alternate lab space to replace H502 is being established. Most textile science labs will be held in Human Ecology 322. Instructors will advise students as to the location of their labs.

Anthropology

The department’s general offices remain in 455 Fletcher Argue building (749-6527). There is no anticipated impact on courses offered by the department.
New Medical Students Don Crisp New White Coats
The welcome mat was laid out for 110 new medical students at the Faculty of Medicine’s Inaugural Day Exercises on August 19

First-year medical students began their first official day at the Faculty of Medicine by participating in a symbolic White Coat ceremony that included reciting the Hippocratic Oath. The event formally welcomed the Class of 2013 into the Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba and into the medical profession.

University of Manitoba alumna, and Assistant Professor, Community Health Sciences Marcia Anderson (MD’02) presented the keynote address. Dr. Anderson divides her time between practicing as a Medical Officer of Health in Northern Manitoba, general internal medicine clinics at the Grace Hospital, and research in Indigenous health. Dr. Anderson is currently president of the Indigenous Physicians Association of Canada.

This year’s class is comprised of 101 Manitoba residents and nine out-of-province residents. Of the 110 students, six self-declared as Aboriginal. Male students number 54 (49.1 per cent) compared to 56 female students (50.9 per cent) in the Class of 2013. Additionally, a new admissions process that places a high value on applicants with a commitment to rural issues is in place, and 45 per cent of the new class has those attributes.

In response to the need for rural physicians, review of our application process for entry to Medicine has expanded the value placed on rurality. We are very excited to increase the proportion of the incoming class of students with an understanding of rural life and professional practice,” said Dr. J. Dean Sandham, Dean of Medicine, University of Manitoba.

“Each white coat represents a 53% increase in our enrolment in undergraduate medicine over the last nine years. Today, we celebrate the Class of 2013 with pride and we thank our partners in the community and government for their support and commitment to professional health education in the province,” he added.

Bison Football coaching staff changes for 2009 season
A distinct Vanier Cup flavour as Vanier Cup veterans return to coach at Manitoba
by CHRIS ZUK

The Bison Football team begins its quest for another Vanier Cup Championship (the program has won three times in 1969, 1970 and 2007) with three additions to the coaching staff that were part of the Bisons winning the 2007 Vanier Cup.

John Makie completed his fifth year of eligibility with Manitoba in 2008 and now returns as a new addition on the Bison coaching staff. Makie is now responsible for the quarterbacks and offensive backs. He replaces Stu Heatton in this role with three additions to the coaching staff.

Brian Dobie and assistant head coach/Terry Alden have coached at different levels. Darryl Watson, 29, has been coaching with an assortment of club teams in Victoria and assisted Manitoba at the offensive line position over the last two seasons (2007-08).

Bison Football Head Coach stated, “We are very pleased to welcome John and Terry to their new roles on the Bison coaching staff. They will bring experience and success playing at a CIS level plus have coached at different levels. Darryl and Mike will be here to assist with scout teams and provide valuable knowledge to their areas of expertise.

The new coaches join an experienced group of coaches led by head coach Brian Dobie and assistant head coach/defensive coordinator Stan Pierre.

Chancellor Norrie Presented to Emperor and Empress of Japan

Chancellor Bill Norrie received a rare honour on July 14 after receiving a personal invitation to be presented to The Emperor and Empress of Japan, his Imperial Majesty Akihito and his wife, Empress Michiko, at the Vancouver Convention Centre in Vancouver B.C.

The reception took place on the last day of the historic Canadian visit by the visiting dignitaries before they left for two days of rest and relaxation in Hawaii. Emperor Akihito last visited Canada in 1995, on his first foreign visit as Crown Prince at the age of nineteen. It is reported that he was so impressed then by the friendliness of the Canadian people and by the interest of the students at the University of British Columbia that he wished to repeat his visit and introduce his wife to the beauties of Canada.

The Imperial couple were married in 1959. The daughter of a prominent industrialist, the Empress was the first commoner to marry into the Imperial family. With a degree in Literature, she has authored several books of poems as well as two children’s books. In this tour Emperor Akihito again visited the University of British Columbia before the reception at the Vancouver Convention Centre. While at UBC, he was delighted to watch an old newsreel showing him visiting the campus as a teenager in 1953.

Chancellor Norrie commented that the Emperor and Empress appeared extremely friendly and relaxed as he and his wife, Helen, were introduced to them by the Consul General of Japan from Calgary, Yasuo Minemura. “Only a few years ago,” remarked Dr. Norrie, “the Japanese regarded the Emperor as a deity. They were forbidden to look directly at him at any time. During my time as Mayor I had an audience with one of the Imperial family in Tokyo. At that time the serving staff were required to enter the room on their knees. It is refreshing to see that much

of that formality has been relaxed. The Emperor and Empress both shook my hand and commented on how happy they were to be in Canada.”

On July 28 another Japanese visitor, Mr. Yoshi Nakayama, arrived in Winnipeg and was hosted by Chancellor Norrie and members of the Japanese Canadian community. Mr. Nakayama has brought over forty groups of business men and women as well as politicians and students to Winnipeg over the past thirty years. Living in Winnipeg’s sister city, Setagaya, part of Metropolitan Tokyo, he has also hosted many Winnipeg citizens who have visited Japan.

Mr. Nakayama also established a connection with the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, and brought ballet students from Tokyo to Winnipeg for training. A particular fan of former RWB star Evelyn Hart, he arranged for her to plant a special cherry tree in Tokyo during the last performance of the RWB in Setagaya.

Some years ago he helped facilitate a Japanese tour by local artist Wanda Koop, whose work was displayed to great acclaim in the Canadian Museum in Tokyo. Among the events on his schedule in July was a visit with Chancellor Norrie to Wanda Koop’s studio in Winnipeg. At the Manitoba Japanese Cultural Center he was presented with a hand-made quilt featuring Canadian designs in recognition of his many contributions to Canadian society.

Chancellor Norrie commented “Mr. Nakayama has provided a valuable service to the City of Winnipeg for over three decades. There are students here at the University of Manitoba who were first introduced to Winnipeg through Mr. Nakayama’s efforts in student exchange programs. Besides introducing many business people to our city he helped publicise the Royal Winnipeg Ballet and brought many young ballet artists to study in our city. It is fitting that we have honoured his efforts over the years.”
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