Dominoes continue to fall: ARTLab

BY CHRIS RUTKOWSKI
The Bulletin

On Friday, May 28, a groundbreaking ceremony signaled the start of construction of the Art and Research Technology Laboratory (ARTLab) at the University of Manitoba. The project includes more than $18 million from the Province of Manitoba and a $15 million investment under the federal government’s Knowledge Infrastructure Program.

“Project Domino symbolizes a historic investment in campus redevelopment at the U of M, and our government is pleased to support this investment in economic stimulus,” said Manitoba Premier Greg Selinger. “The ARTLab will enhance educational opportunities for students and provide staff tools to deliver quality education.”

“Our investments in Manitoba’s knowledge infrastructure have made our province more competitive and created and maintained jobs,” said MP Rod Bruinooge, Chair of the Conservative Post-Secondary Education Caucus. “Investing in technology and advanced facilities like the ARTLab enables students and staff to be innovative and to thrive in their work.”

The 70,000 square foot structure will bring together new facilities for art, multimedia and design in a modern structure. Graduate research space will be expanded for the School of Art’s new master’s program.

ARTLab represents an exceptionally high standard of environmental design by award-winning Patkau Architects and UM Architectural Group. As a LEED Silver project, every effort is made to reuse original materials.

The ARTLab will include Gallery One One One, art studios, a soundstage, space for workshops, digital labs and a lecture theatre. It will also house state-of-the-art storage vaults for donated works and shared collections, helping to foster partnerships with national and international art institutions.

The facility will be Category A Certified as designated by the Government of Canada. The ARTLab will also meet museological environment requirements such as temperature and humidity control, security, fire prevention and correct lighting to safely store and display works.

President David Barnard added that the facility will “greatly enhance the ability of our students, staff and visiting artists to produce works that will be testament to the ingenuity and creativity generated by the academic and cultural environment here at the U of M.”

Paul Hess, director, School of Art, calls the facility “modern and forward-looking.” The clear glass studio facade of ARTLab will offer a window on the creative process, said Hess.

Acclaimed Canadian artist Ivan Eyre, honorary co-chair of the Taché Arts Complex Campaign, presence at the event, noted, “From its original location on Kennedy Street downtown, to the FitzGerald building here on campus, to the old geology building and now here, the School of Art is making an exciting fourth move here in Taché Hall, with increased spaces, better lighting and other features that will enhance its use and attract young artists. This is a cultural step forward for Manitoba.”

Above: U of M President and Vice-Chancellor David Barnard writes poetry on a sketch of an ARTLab concept drawing at ARTLab groundbreaking ceremony. Left, Premier Greg Selinger signs ARTLab design sketch.

Photos by Chris Raud

U of M names new Vice-President (External)

John Kearsey, a multi-faceted external relations leader with broad experience in Canada and internationally, most recently as divisional director of donor, alumni and community relations with Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, has been appointed the new Vice-President (External) for the University of Manitoba.

The Board of Governors approved President David Barnard’s recommendation for the appointment of John Kearsey at its May 13 meeting. He begins the position full time effective July 13, 2010.

Kearsey was appointed following a full national search and on the unanimous advice of the Presidential Advisory Committee formed to advise the president on the appointment.

“I know John Kearsey to be an exceptional leader, well respected by his colleagues and by external partners,” said President David Barnard. “Throughout his career, he has consistently demonstrated a tremendous amount of enthusiasm and energy for his work.

“He has a proven track record of success across the range of responsibilities assigned to the portfolio, in particular in the development field. I am confident this experience will help the U of M grow into the future.”

Kearsey’s career has focused on building philanthropic support and pursuing purpose-driven stakeholder relations. In progressively senior roles, Kearsey has led and been part of teams that have achieved success in million and multi-million dollar fundraising campaigns, working with donors and alumni around the globe. His experience in marketing and communications has ensured a comprehensive approach to higher education advancement and external stakeholder relations.

Since 2006, Kearsey directed the philanthropic and alumni relations program at Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, its largest, research-intensive international university. There he was responsible for building a division with solid alignment of donor and campaign relations, alumni relations, stewardship, communications, and information and systems management.

“I’m very excited to be joining one of Canada’s most established and impressive research-intensive, continued on page 2
**In the News**

**Helping the healing**

*Winnipeg Free Press, Edmonton Journal, Canwest News Service*

**May 30, 2010**

Law professor Karen Budz gave comment to a news story on residential schools. Budz is not involved in organizing students, teachers and lawyers to help at the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, which will be held in mid-June. “It’s called the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, but it’s only successful if it brings aboriginal and non-aboriginal people closer together,” she said. As well as some legal direction to survivors, Budz and her colleagues will offer information to the uninformed — of which there are many, she said. “Gee, I had no idea the response you get all the time,” said Budz; who teaches constitutional law. “A lot of people don’t know what a treaty is — that it has constitutional status and protections.”

**The creation of a creative centre**

*Winnipeg Free Press*

**May 29, 2010**

Story on the change that will come in the fall of 2011 when University of Manitoba fine arts students start classes in their new $30-million ARTLab — a facility that, along with a new masters program, is expected to draw international attention to the 60-year-old school of art. “It will be state of the art, it will be world-class and we’ll be able to attract people from not only the rest of Canada but internationally as well,” said the school’s director, Paul Hess. The ARTLab, which, a 70,000-square-foot Art and Research Technology Laboratory, will house studios, a soundstage, workshop space, digital labs, an art storage vault, a lecture theatre and the university’s art gallery, Gallery One One. It will combine traditional painting and print-making studios along with the latest in high-tech art forms. The school now has close to 400 students and 20 full-time and 20 part-time professors. Over the next few years, Hess said, the school expects to add five or six full-time faculty positions.

**What makes your city grow**

*Winnipeg Free Press*

**May 27, 2010**

A story on the developments taking place in Winnipeg that are making the city attractive to businesses “high the growing success of the University of Manitoba’s ‘smartpark’ for innovation’.

**Schools failing policy**

*Ottawa Sun, Calgary Sun, Edmonton Sun, St. Thomas Times-Journal; Niagara Falls Review; London Free Press; Peterborough Examiner; Kingston Whig-Standard; Belleville Intelligencer; Barrie Examiner*

**May 26, 2010**

Professor of Education Rodney Clifton and two colleagues have written a book arguing that North American public education has been so dumbed down that students are being seriously shortchanged. The book, What’s Wrong With Our Schools, declares that many students are ill-prepared for post-secondary education and life in a knowledge-based economy because public school educators focus on enhancing kids’ self-esteem instead of imparting core skills. Clifton and his co-authors Michael Zwaagstra, and John Long have concluded that, with rare exceptions, our public education system has failed both students and society at large.

**Headlines**

“Game changer — big bucks, big brains,” Maclean’s, May 31, 2010, article about how the University of Manitoba will experience the biggest transformation, thanks to its own efforts, in the wake of a recent federal funding announcement.


Story on University of Manitoba President and Vice-Chancellor David Barnard joining Premier Greg Selinger, Mayor Sam Katz, Bill Wathorn, Chair, Board of Directors of the Winnipeg Football Club, CFL Commissioner, Mark Cohon, and David Asper, Executive Chairman of Creswin Properties Inc. at the site of the new home field of the CFL's Winnipeg Blue Bombers and the CIS's U of M Bisons for the official sod turning of the new stadium.

The new state-of-the-art facility is scheduled to open for the start of the 2012 CFL season at the home of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and the CIS’s U of M Bisons for the official sod turning of the new stadium.

The new stadium, which has been promoted by Creswin for over three years, will be an elite facility with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities.

“Another critical step along the way and it’s great to be finally getting under the ground. We have invested over three years of sustained effort to bring this project to life and we have had the generous support of thousands of fans throughout the process,” said David Asper. “It’s a personal tribute to them and we look forward to welcoming the vision to reality, starting today.”

**New VP (External), continued**

Kearsey recently was recognized as a Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Stellar Speaker for his presentation on Alumni Presenting a Better World 2.0, delivered in Hong Kong. While at London Life Insurance Company, he was acknowledged by the International Life Underwriters Association for excellence in marketing and communications, and received national recognition for his achievement a marketing and communications award for planned giving programs by the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy.

Kearsey is originally from Newfoundland and Labrador, and earned a Bachelor of Arts (religious studies and English) and a certificate in business administration from Memorial University.

**Stadium construction begins**

University of Manitoba President and Vice-Chancellor David Barnard joined Premier Greg Selinger, Mayor Sam Katz, Bill Wathorn, Chair, Board of Directors of the Winnipeg Football Club, CFL Commissioner, Mark Cohon, and David Asper, Executive Chairman of Creswin Properties Inc. at the site of the new home field of the CFL’s Winnipeg Blue Bombers and the CIS’s U of M Bisons for the official sod turning of the new stadium.

The new state-of-the-art facility is scheduled to open for the start of the 2012 CFL season at the home of the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and the CIS’s U of M Bisons for the official sod turning of the new stadium.

The new stadium, which has been promoted by Creswin for over three years, will be an elite facility with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities.

“Another critical step along the way and it’s great to be finally getting under the ground. We have invested over three years of sustained effort to bring this project to life and we have had the generous support of thousands of fans throughout the process,” said David Asper. “It’s a personal tribute to them and we look forward to welcoming the vision to reality, starting today.”

**Stadium construction begins**

The new stadium, which has been promoted by Creswin for over three years, will be an elite facility with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities.

“Another critical step along the way and it’s great to be finally getting under the ground. We have invested over three years of sustained effort to bring this project to life and we have had the generous support of thousands of fans throughout the process,” said David Asper. “It’s a personal tribute to them and we look forward to welcoming the vision to reality, starting today.”

**Stadium construction begins**

The new stadium, which has been promoted by Creswin for over three years, will be an elite facility with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities.

“Another critical step along the way and it’s great to be finally getting under the ground. We have invested over three years of sustained effort to bring this project to life and we have had the generous support of thousands of fans throughout the process,” said David Asper. “It’s a personal tribute to them and we look forward to welcoming the vision to reality, starting today.”

**Stadium construction begins**

The new stadium, which has been promoted by Creswin for over three years, will be an elite facility with unparalleled sightlines and first-class amenities.

“Another critical step along the way and it’s great to be finally getting under the ground. We have invested over three years of sustained effort to bring this project to life and we have had the generous support of thousands of fans throughout the process,” said David Asper. “It’s a personal tribute to them and we look forward to welcoming the vision to reality, starting today.”
U of M to play critical role in TRC

First national Truth and Reconciliation Commission event to include academic conference, musical performances, sharing circle, statement gathering and more

BY MARIANNE MAY'S WEBE

When the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) comes to Winnipeg later this month, the University of Manitoba will play a critical role in its proceedings. According to organizers, up to 15,000 people are expected to attend the three-day gathering, which is the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's first national event.

Law professor Karen Busby says, "U of M has significant involvement with the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada and this work will be apparent at the national event."

It all takes place June 16 to 18 at the Forks. The event will include memory sharing sessions, self-healing through traditional ways and music, performances by Buffy St Marie, Susan Forks. The event will include memory workshops and healing sessions by Ian Ross and literary readings by authors including Joseph Boyden, and an art exhibition.

Prairie Perspectives on Indian Residential School, Truth and Reconciliation "is the title of the academic conference to be held on June 17, garnished by the establishment of the University Centre for Human Rights Research Planning Initiative, the conference will feature presentations by many from the University of Manitoba."

Panels and presentations will include topics such as Truth, Memory and Perceptions, Cree Collective Memory, Pathways to Healing, Lessons Learned From Past Truth Commissions and Colonialism and Reconciliation. One presentation, by U of M sociology professor Andrew Woolford is entitled "Westward On a Journey for In Justices and Indigenous Peoples in Canada."

It assesses multiple forms of Canadian transitional repair including land acknowledgements, restorative provisions, and compensation, truth and reconciliation for residential schools. The event, being held in Winnipeg at the Forks, the volunteers will be staffing a Law Question and Answer table on the national event, answering questions related to Aboriginal legal issues and Indian residential schools.

The students will be supervised by four law professors from Robson Hall and have informational brochures and a Metis jamboree, drum calling and drum making and presentations by Ian Ross and literary readings by authors including Joseph Boyden, and an art exhibition.

Prairie Perspectives on Indian Residential School, Truth and Reconciliation is expected in the late winter of 2011," notes Busby. "We need to have significant community support, in particular from Aboriginal organizations, if we want to make a successful proposal."

U of M President and Vice-Chancellor David Barnard states that, "The University of Manitoba is committed to helping the Truth and Reconciliation Commission achieve its objectives in whatever ways we can."

"Working on truth and reconciliation issues aligns closely with at least two of the priority areas outlined in the university’s strategic planning framework: human rights and Aboriginal achievement." Following the TRC event, a weekly seminar series called “Critical Conversations on Residential Schools, Truth and Reconciliation” will be held at the University of Manitoba throughout the 2010-2011 academic year.
From the Archives

The Montreal Talmud

The University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections recently acquired 17 volumes of the "Montreal Talmud" printed in 1919, the first printing of the Talmud in North America and still the only Talmud ever published in Canada. This Talmud was the responsibility of Hirsch Wolofsky, who was born in Poland and immigrated to Canada, via England, in 1900. In Montreal, he founded the enduring Yiddish daily Kinder Ertsiyung bay Yidn ("Children's Education Among Jews"). After the First World War Hirsch's publication in 19 volumes of the Adler's Shas Talmud Bavli ("Montreal Talmud"), created a local edition of this compendium of Jewish law, culture, and history.

The "Montreal Talmud" was donated by Rabbi Neil Rose and Carol Rose in 2008. It is currently housed in the Rare Book Room of Archives & Special Collections.

- Brian Hubner, Associate University Archivist

Academic Job Opportunities

A full listing of employment opportunities at the University of Manitoba can be found at uamore.ca. U of M 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 AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SCIENCES

School of Agriculture

Nursing Director of Agriculture to be held by continuing, tenured or tenured track position within the Department of Agriculture. 

Start date: September 1, 2010

Application Deadline: June 25, 2010

Position Number: AM688

For Information: Dr. Karin Wittenberg, Acting Dean, Chair of the Advisory Committee, Room 256, Agriculture Building, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3T 2N2, tel. 474-9380, fax 474-7525, email km_wittenberg@umanitoba.ca

CRC RESEARCH CHAIR

Agricultural and Food Science

Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Entrepreneurship and Innovation for a five-year appointment, tenured or tenured track at the assistant or associate professor level.

Start date: July 1, 2011

Position Number: 11418

For Information: Dr. Margaret Morris, Head, Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology & Reproductive Sciences, Women's Health, WPH 107, 735 Notre Dame Ave, Winnipeg, MB R3E OL8, fax (204) 787-2899, email mlmorris@hsc.mb.ca

From the Archives

The Montreal Talmud

The University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections recently acquired 17 volumes of the “Montreal Talmud” printed in 1919, the first printing of the Talmud in North America and still the only Talmud ever published in Canada. This Talmud was the responsibility of Hirsch Wolofsky, who was born in Poland and immigrated to Canada, via England, in 1900. In Montreal, he founded the enduring Yiddish daily Kinder Ertsiyung bay Yidn (“Children’s Education Among Jews”). After the First World War Hirsch’s publication in 19 volumes of the Adler’s Shas Talmud Bavli or as it is better known, the Montreal Talmud, created a local edition of this compendium of Jewish law, culture, and history.

The “Montreal Talmud” was donated by Rabbi Neil Rose and Carol Rose in 2008. It is currently housed in the Rare Book Room of Archives & Special Collections.

- Brian Hubner, Associate University Archivist

The Montreal Talmud

The University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections recently acquired 17 volumes of the “Montreal Talmud” printed in 1919, the first printing of the Talmud in North America and still the only Talmud ever published in Canada. This Talmud was the responsibility of Hirsch Wolofsky, who was born in Poland and immigrated to Canada, via England, in 1900. In Montreal, he founded the enduring Yiddish daily Kinder Adler (“Canadian Jewish Eagle”) and published the first Yiddish book in Canada, the Kinder Ertsiyung bay Yidn (“Children's Education Among Jews”). After the First World War Hirsch’s publication in 19 volumes of the Adler’s Shas Talmud Bavli or as it is better known, the Montreal Talmud, created a local edition of this compendium of Jewish law, culture, and history.

The “Montreal Talmud” was donated by Rabbi Neil Rose and Carol Rose in 2008. It is currently housed in the Rare Book Room of Archives & Special Collections.

- Brian Hubner, Associate University Archivist
Volunteers and landscapers take on campus beautification

**Sustainability Initiatives**

For Campus Beautification Day and seasonal grounds maintenance

- Zero Waste Lunch
- Compostable plates, cutlery and paper napkins
- Recyclable containers and drink cans/bottles
- Recycle all planters and plant trays
- Compost all yard-waste generated on Campus Beautification Day
- Zero phosphorous fertilizer for turf
- Bicycles and carts for transporting plants and tools across campus
- Water wicking planters that conserve water
- Integrated Pest Management Program whereby priority is placed on planning, managing and monitoring ecosystems for pest prevention, in order to minimize need for chemical pesticides
- Woodchips that are used for mulch are from wood waste that is collected and chipped right here on campus

**BY CHRIS REID AND MARIANNE MAYS-WIEBE**

Campus Beautification Day was held Thursday, May 27. This is the 13th year of this highly successful event, made possible by the leadership of staff, faculty, retirees and students of the university who volunteer to help beautify both the Fort Garry and Bannatyne campuses.

Volunteers brought gloves, rakes and spades from home and do everything from plant flowers to rake green spaces around buildings. Flowers were added to large new planters at Curry Place this year.

A barbecue lunch was held at noon in the quadrangle on the Fort Garry campus and in front of the Brodie Centre on the Bannatyne campus for all volunteers. Refreshments were provided, and the BookStore and other businesses on campus donated door prizes for the event.

According to Michele Rogalsky, manager of Grounds and General Services, 100 or more volunteers help out each year to implement the planting and clean-up across the campuses. This year’s event involved approximately 1,200 volunteers.

"It’s a huge day for us and we start preparing in fall. It takes a lot of advance planning and coordination," said Rogalsky.

Volunteers from all sectors of the university were involved in everything from site and volunteer coordination, delivery of plants, watering and mulch spreading, to repair of outdoor benches and food coordination to feed the mass of volunteers. Corissa St. George helped with solicitation of plant donations; Vanderveens Nursery of Carman, Manitoba and A.J. Lacoste of Winnipeg both donated plants. Donors of food for lunch and snacks included Aramark, Robin’s Donuts, To-Le-Do Foodservice, City Bread Co. Ltd., Sysco Food Services, Dairyland (Saputo Ltd.) Foods and Pepsi Bottling Company.

In addition to design and supply management, physical plant also has staff who ensure the sustainability of grounds keeping, maintenance and planting activities. Mair McDermott acts as sustainability coordinator while Ophelia Morris coordinates waste prevention. (See sidebar for sustainability initiatives.)

Planter and flowerbed designs

Each year groundskeepers work together to design and plan for the many summer annuals and perennials to be planted on both university campuses. The three groundskeepers who worked with assistant manager, grounds and services Lyle Morin to select species and design the annual flowerbeds and planters were Samantha Tomchuk, Chris Ens and Christine LaBossiere. Basing their designs on soil suitability and shade/sun variations, the designers began planning in October for this event.

The three worked with the Campus Beautification Day departmental representatives to identify and plan projects from small planters to flower beds. They also coordinated the delivery of supplies for the projects that day.

This year’s varieties of plants include:


Photos above and below by Bob Talbot

Above and below: Volunteers at Campus Beautification Day; see overleaf for more photos.

Above and below: Volunteers at Campus Beautification Day; see overleaf for more photos.

Left, above and below: Landscaping and planting designs from 2010 Campus Beautification Day.

This year’s varieties of plants include:


See overleaf for more photos.
Thursday, May 27, Faculty of Medicine session

Correction The May 20, 2010 issue of The Bulletin displayed the incorrect photo with the announcement of Dr. Jane Evans’s professor emeritus award. The editor apologizes for the error.

Professor Emeritus
Jane Evans
B.Sc.(Hons.) (Birmingham); Ph.D. (Leicester); F.C.C.M.G.
Department of Biochemistry and Medical Genetics

A medical geneticist with an international reputation for excellence, Dr. Evans has been instrumental in promoting the role of folic acid and food fortification in reducing birth defects. Dr. Evans received her PhD from the University of Leicester in 1975 and after post-doctoral training joined the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Manitoba. She was Head of the Department of Biochemistry and Medical Genetics and also affiliated with Pediatrics and Child Health, and Community Health Sciences. A fellow of the Canadian College of Medical Geneticists since 1983, she served as President from 1998-2000. She holds an appointment with the Genetics and Metabolism Program, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, where she is involved with the Manitoba Maternal Serum Screening Program and is a consultant in the clinical genetics service. Dr. Evans chairs the advisory group of the Canadian Congenital Anomalies Surveillance Network and is a member of the Canadian Perinatal Surveillance System Steering Committee and Infant and Fetal Health Study Group.

The greening, the cleaning, the planning, the planting: V

BROADWAY DENTAL ASSOCIATES

- Experience the Medicine Hat advantage.
- Protect your career from gridlock.
- You are interested in predictable community living.
- How do you value family time?
- Lowest tax and utility rates in the province.
- Children walk to nearby schools.
- Highest grossing private practise in Southeastern Alberta.
- Enjoy all the technological advances in today’s dentistry.
- Achieving excellence with our experienced team is assured.
- You are interested in above average compensation.
- Check out our website, contact Dr. Greg Bradley.
- Home of the Medicine Cat Tigers, the team has won two Memorial Cups, five WHL Championships and seven Division Titles.

101 - 7 Strachan Bay S.E.
• Medicine Hat, Alberta • T1B 4Y2
Ph: (403) 548-7000 Fax (403) 548-7111
Toll Free 1-888-607-6453
www.broadwaydental.ca
Volunteers and landscapers take on the beautiful season

More than 1,200 volunteers at Fort Garry and Bannatyne campuses turned out to help with this year’s Campus Beautification Day. Photo bottom row, left: Deborah McCallum, vice-president (administration), and other volunteers pause for a photo. Volunteers from all sectors of the university were involved in everything from site and volunteer coordination, delivery of plants, watering and mulch spreading, to repair of outdoor benches and food coordination to feed the mass of volunteers.
East meets West at 4th annual conference
Global health discussed at East-West Alliance Conference hosted by U of M

BY PATRICK CHOY AND MARIANNE MOYS WEBE
For The Bulletin

The University of Manitoba played host to The East-West Alliance on June 3 and 4, welcoming learning institutions from across the globe. The 4th Annual East-West Alliance Conference was hosted for the first time by the U of M in Winnipeg. All institutions of the Alliance were represented in this Conference, and visiting presenters included Patrick Sissom, Dean of Medicine, Cambridge University, Jiang Gu, Dean of Medicine, Shantou University, Philip Pizzo, Dean of Medicine, Stanford University and J. Dean Sandham, Dean of Medicine, U of M, to participate as speakers in the conference.

The East-West Alliance is an international network of Asian and Western medical research institutions and faculties, linked together because all are beneficiaries of the Li Ka Shing Foundation. The aim of the Alliance is to foster productive collaborations between institutions, leading to high impact research and educational projects.

Members of the East-West Alliance are Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shantou University, St. Michael’s Hospital, University of Toronto, Stanford University, University of California, Berkeley, University of Cambridge, University of Hong Kong and Institut Pasteur, University of Manitoba, and University of Oxford.

The first scientific meeting of the alliance was hosted by the University of Hong Kong in 2007, and the second meeting was hosted by the University of Cambridge in 2009. The third meeting was hosted by Stanford University in 2009.

At its first planning meeting in 2006, the East-West Alliance was recognized at Doctors Manitoba awards

BY JANINE HARASYMCHUK with files from Debbie Bride, For The Bulletin

Six recipients of the 2010 Doctors Manitoba awards were honoured during the annual meeting of the medical body in Winnipeg on May 12. All six physicians have ties, either as current faculty members or alumni, or both, to the University of Manitoba. In addition, two physicians who are faculty members were bestowed with Honorary Memberships in the Canadian Medical Association (CMA).

CMA Honorary Memberships were bestowed on John Foerster, MD/61, professor in the department of Internal Medicine, and Allan Ronald, MD/61, professor emeritus, department of Medical Microbiology. CMA honorary members enjoy all the rights and privileges of CMA membership free, for life. Eligible physicians have attained eminence in medicine, science or the humanities.

Foerster began his medical training at the University of Manitoba, and after completing additional residencies in the U.S., he became head of the department of Internal Medicine in 1972. He was instrumental in development of the St. Boniface General Hospital Research Centre (now St. Boniface General Hospital). He held the position of executive director of Research at St. Boniface General Hospital for 20 years.

Ronald completed his medical training at the U of M from 1966 to 1985, he was head of the section of Infectious Diseases and Clinical Microbiology at the university and Health Sciences Centre. Ronald developed an internationally recognized STD research program more than 30 years ago in Nairobi, paving the way for today’s HIV/AIDS research being done at the U of M and the National Microbiology Lab by colleagues such as Francis Plummer, Stephen Moses, James Blanchard, and Keith Fowke. Ronald is currently scientific advisor to the International Centre for Infectious Diseases and the National Collaborating Centre for Infectious Diseases, both based in Winnipeg.

The awards and winners are:

- Arnold Naimark, MD/57, received the Distinguished Service Award in recognition of services rendered to patients and the community which have enhanced the image of the physician through dedication to the highest ideals of the medical profession and in the promotion of the art and science of medicine through teaching, writing and administration. Naimark served as dean of the Faculty of Medicine from 1971 to 1994, and his current director of the Centre for the Advancement of Medicine.

- Roger Suss, MD/88, received the Health or Safety Promotion Award for contribution toward improving and promoting the health or safety of Manitobans specifically or humanity generally. Suss is a long-time member of the public health issues committee of Doctors Manitoba. He has helped advance the cause for mandatory bike helmets and legislated bans on cell phone use while driving and smoking in vehicles carrying children. He will become president of the College of Physicians & Surgeons of Manitoba this year.

- Charles Bernstein, MD/85, received the Scholastic Award for scholarly activity in the health professions (examples of scholarly activity are research, teaching, and writing). Bernstein is a professor in the department of Internal Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, and visiting presenters included Patrick Sissom, Dean of Medicine, Cambridge University, Jiang Gu, Dean of Medicine, Shantou University, Philip Pizzo, Dean of Medicine, Stanford University and J. Dean Sandham, Dean of Medicine, U of M, to participate as speakers in the conference.

- Brock Wright, MD/84, MBA/93, received the Health Administration Award for contribution to policy and/or administration of health care. Wright is associate dean of Clinical Affairs in the Faculty of Medicine, and senior vice-president of Clinical Services with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. Wright is a role model for younger physicians to consider health administration as a career path. Colleagues commend his dedication to patient well-being, support to physicians and their needs within the healthcare system.

- Pierre Plourde is an associate professor in the Department of Community Health Research Forum (CSHRF), a research training initiative of the University of Manitoba IBD Centre.

Above: Doctors participate in the 4th Annual East-West Alliance held at U of M.

Above, U of M doctors honoured, from left to right: John Foerster, Allan Ronald, Arnold Naimark, Roger Suss, Charles Bernstein, Brock Wright, Cornelius Woelk, Pierre Plourde.

The first day of the conference in Winnipeg, on global health, was held in conjunction with the Canadian Student Health Research Forum (CSHRF), a national research forum for research trainees typically attended by 500 graduate students and postdoctoral fellows across Canada. Edwin Kroeger, coordinator of the Canadian Students Health Research Forum for the last two decades, coordinated the first day of the East-West Alliance Conference with the CSHRF.

The second day of the conference offered a workshop on medical education. The participation of many senior educators in this workshop and educational projects underscored the importance of novel approaches in the training of future physicians.

The East-West Alliance of Doctors Manitoba is a voluntary, professional association that represents the economic, health policy, and health promotion interests of the province’s physicians. The organization was founded in 1908 as the Manitoba Medical Association and retained that name until the end of its centennial year.

U of M physician-leaders recognized at Doctors MB awards

Above: Doctors participate in the 4th Annual East-West Alliance held at U of M.

Above, U of M doctors honoured, from left to right: John Foerster, Allan Ronald, Arnold Naimark, Roger Suss, Charles Bernstein, Brock Wright, Cornelius Woelk, Pierre Plourde.
### Events Listing
**University of Manitoba**

**Fort Garry Campus**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 10**
**Faculty of Nursing Seminar:** Research Citation Analysis of Nursing Research in Canada; Identifying Success Indicators and Honoring our Leaders by Tom Hack, Dauna Crooks, James Plohman and Emma Hill Kepron, 370 Helen Glass Centre, 12:00 p.m. To participate in this session via Tefhealth and to register your site, please contact the Manitoba Centre for Nursing and Health Research at 474-9080 or nursing_research@umanitoba.ca.

**MONDAY, JUNE 14**
**New Faculty Orientation:** Robert B. Schultz Lecture Theatre, 127 St. John’s College, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday, June 14. (Repeats June 15.)

**TUESDAY, JUNE 15**
**Group, Lady Davis Institute/Jewish Microbiology and Immunology, McGill with Retroviral Restriction Factor TDP-in Neurons of ALS Patients Correlates Association Inc. of the University of California-Keck School of Medicine, Adjunct Professor of Biomolecular Science and Engineering and Chemical Engineering, University of California - B. J. Hancock, JL 397, Santa Barbara, Theatre A, Basic Medical Sciences Building, Linked to St. Boniface NG002, 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, June 15.

**Pedicratic Research Rounds, Rm 500, Boardroom, John Buhler Research Centre, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m., Thursday, June 10.**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 11**
**Pediatric Nephrology Rounds, Ian Gibson, Pathology, Rm JL397, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Friday, June 11.**

**PEDIATRIC RESEARCH ROUNDS**

**MAX BELL CENTRE SUMMER HOURS**
Note the change in hours of operation for Max Bell during the spring and summer months. The arena will be closed from May 31 to June 20 (inclusive) for ice maintenance.

**May 3 to July 4:** Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**July 5 to September 6:** Monday to Friday 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Hours may be adjusted for special events.**

**Bannatyne Campus**

**and St. Boniface General Hospital and Research Centre**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15**
**Department of Pediatrics Academic Half-Day Part II, Radiology, JL397, 12:30 - 1:20 p.m., Wednesday, June 16.**

**Department of Pediatrics Academic Half-Day Part II, The Basics of Acid/Base Disorders by Tom Blidt-Hansen, JL 397, 12:30 - 2:20 p.m., Wednesday, June 16.**

**Department of Pediatrics Academic Half-Day Part III, Surgical jaundice by B. J. Hancock, JL 397, 2:30 - 3:20 p.m., Wednesday, June 16.**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 17**
**Pediatric Grand Rounds, Pearly Whites: An oral health advocacy project by the third year pediatric residents (Project Supervisor Gina Rempel) by pediatric residents Raga Sirror, Salman Al-Shammari, Stacey Byrskoski, Edgar Jimenez, Michelle Pinto, Tricia Kutnikoff, Anindita Tjahjadi and Amie Kowalcyzk, Theatre A, Basic Medical Science Building, Linked St. Boniface, NG002, 8:00 a.m., Thursday, June 17.

**Pedicratic Research Rounds, Rm 500, Boardroom, John Buhler Centre, 12:00 - 1:30 p.m., Thursday, June 17.**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 18**
**Pedicratic Nephrology Rounds, Academic Presentation by Rob Erickson, JL397A, 12:00 - 1:00 p.m., Friday, June 18.**

**MAY 21**
**Master of Occupational Therapy Independent Study Symposium:** Keynote Speaker Rob Santos, Scientific Director and Senior Policy Advisor, Healthy Child Manitoba Office, Healthy Child Committee of Cabinet, Government of Manitoba (9:00-10:00 am) Theatre B, Basic Medical Science Building, 9:00 a.m. - 3:40 p.m., Monday June 21.

### Classified Ads

**Kings Park - Stunning architectural modernist RIVERFRONT home ideal for visiting professor:** 5 minute walk or 1 minute drive to U OF MANITOBA; 2 minute walk to beautiful KINGS PARK; 2.700 square foot 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bathroom split level designed by renowned architect Gus da Roza (designed Winnipeg Art Gallery) overlooking international award winning landscaped expansive tree planted adjacent to forest and river. Fenced, double attached garage & tons of storage. Available after mid-August 2010. Excellent value at $2,500 per month plus utilities. Visit http://j50k.ilikenym.com for details, photos, maps. Contact Greg at (204) 952-8063 or gregvandem@gmail.com.

**The Bulletin welcomes Classified Ads. The rate for ads is $15 for the first 45 words.
10% Excellence Award recipients named

BY MARK O’RIELEY For The Bulletin

Learning and Development Services and the Awards of Excellence Selection Committee are pleased to announce the winners of the 2010 Awards of Excellence. The contribution from support staff are celebrated with four separate awards; winners were recognized at a reception at the President’s house on May 20.

Congratulations to the following: President’s Award, Maggie Duncan; Leadership Award, Aarti Paul; Service Award, Sol Chu; Staff Team Award.

Maggie Duncan
In her role as Equity Service Advisor with Equity Services, Maggie has worked with students to support a respectful work and learning environment while often working with people experiencing difficult emotions and complex issues. She is always calm and professional; her empathetic approach enables individuals to understand their perspectives and to find solutions. This often resolves situations informally in a respectful way that strengthens relationships. Her workload is heavy and she has saved the University countless hours and dollars by preventing the escalation of disputes. Maggie has previously been recognized with an Outreach Award (2005) and has served as the President’s nominee for the Compassion and Justice Award for the Prevention of Discrimination and Harassment and as Board Chair for Reaching Every Qualified University Student (REES).

Leader of Development, Aarti Paul: Aarti leads a team of information technologists at the Faculty of Medicine. Under Aarti’s leadership, the team has shown innovation and resourcefulness with outstanding support for all projects such as the Clinical Learning and Simulation facility, OPAL, and cabling upgrades. Aarti understands the academic needs, translates them into technical systems, and leads her team to support them effectively. She does this with grace and poise and her contributions have been essential for the faculty’s success.

Leadership Award, Tina Riggs: As Special Events Coordinator for the Fort Garry campus, U of M Orientation, Tina is responsible for the largest event on the Fort Garry campus, U1 Orientation. Tina is the welcoming face of the university to approximately 3500 first-year students each September. Tina and the staff recruit, train, and manage over 400 volunteers. She leads the team with commitment, patience, perseverance, flexibility, and tact. She focuses on the student experience, and collaborates with other departments for the best possible two-day experience for students, who leave the orientation with a sense of the University and all it can offer.

Service Award, Sol Chu: As a Wet Wet Technology Trainer with IST, Sol goes above and beyond to provide a fast, effective level of service that allows instructors and researchers to use systems like Angel, safe in the knowledge that they are supported to work. Sol then goes on to work to enhance the learning experience of students. He adopts language that is easily understood by those he assists. Sol’s outstanding service contributions are instrumental in promoting the use of technology in teaching throughout the university community.

Service Award, Tom Deakin: Tom works in the Frank Kennedy, Continuing Education, and Agriculture Library. He leads a team of information technologists who build a case for the Physical Plant. His friendly and helpful service has made him an important part of life there. He is diligent, thoughtful, and dependable. His help is quick to offer extra help when needed. As a result, one of his colleagues states, “Tom is a treasure and a real asset to our office... and should we ever need to move we would want to hire him for the job.”

Service Award, Erwin Dirks: Erwin is an electrical technician with Electrical and Computer Engineering, helping the Power and Energy Research Group to acquire a reputation as one of Canada’s finest. This educational program exists because of his hard work and his cheerful and caring attitude. His fertile mind is always looking for new possibilities for the lab and he is constantly disseminating ideas to international students and helping them adapt to life in Canada. Because of this, Erwin has become an indispensable asset to his department and faculty.

Service Award, Harry Kunkel: As a chief technician with Electrical and Computer Engineering, Harry is highly respected by both students and staff. He is the “go to” person in the department, providing his advice and support in a non-judgmental and wise way. He leads by example, is interested in what is going on in the forefront of whatever needs to be done, and displays continued improvement. His enthusiasm and dedication to the department’s work lead to tremendous contributions to the researchers, students and the department’s reputation.

Service Award, Eleanor Reimer: As a supervisor at the Architecture/Fine Arts Library, Eleanor consistently provided a top level of service to library patrons, many of whom she knows by name. Eleanor has taken on a number of projects to improve the services at both the Music and Architecture/Fine Arts libraries and exemplifies the service culture that exists in the U of M Libraries.

The Associates, a group of more than 260 prominent business leaders who support the Asper School of Business at the University of Manitoba named N. Murray Edwards, financier and energy developer, as the recipient of the 2010 International Distinguished Entrepreneur Award (IDEA).

“N. Murray Edwards is chairman and major shareholder of Canadian Natural Resources Limited, one of Canada’s largest energy companies,” says Arni Thorsteinson, chair of the IDEA Committee for the Associates and president of Shinerich Properties Limited. “Murray encapsulates the significance of the award as a respected entrepreneur who stands among very few Canadians in terms of what he has done, and what we anticipate he is yet to do.”

Edwards is owner and president of Edco Financial Holdings Ltd., a private investment company and consulting company of which he became a director in 1973 and chairman in 1988. Prior to that, he was a partner of the law firm of Dukewich and Palmer in Calgary.

In the publication community, Edwards owns over 30 per cent of management and financial services company Joivan Capital Corporation, and is chairman of the board and major shareholder of locally based Magellan/BRistol Aerospace Corporation.

This lawyer-turned-financier is also well known for his dedication to the University of Manitoba and the community. Edwards is a member of the Board of Governors of the University of Manitoba and past director of the Canada West Foundation.

The “University of Manitoba is delighted that a Canadian who has attained such high international stature in business, and who exemplifies excellence both in business and community service, is this year’s IDEA Award recipient,” says David Barnard, president and vice-chancellor of the U of M.

The Associates created the International Distinguished Entrepreneur Award 27 years ago to honour a business executive who has achieved outstanding entrepreneurial success and has made an exemplary contribution to economic life of Canada and the world.

N. Murray Edwards was announced as 2010 IDEA recipient including Israel Asper, Richard Branson, award founder Albert D. Cohen, Paul Desmarais, Akio Morita, Ross Perot, Heather Reisman, Dame Anita Roddick, Gerald Schwartz, Martha Stewart, W. Galen Weston, Peter Munk and last year’s recipient, Jim Balsillie.
Bringing Research to LIFE

Reversing the Trend

Professor aims to figure out what challenges new teachers face when bringing Aboriginal education to the classroom

BY KATIE CHALMERS-BROOKS

While in university, aspiring teachers learn how to teach their students about Aboriginal history and culture – yet many appear to be reluctant to do so once they graduate and begin working in Manitoba schools.

Last year, education professor Frank Deer launched a research project to find out what’s stopping them from tackling this topic in their classrooms, and hopefully uncover ways to reverse the trend.

“It’s really important for our youth – both students in elementary and secondary school – to have genuine exposure to the Canadian Aboriginal experience,” Deer says.

He discovered a number of factors getting in the way. These newly graduated teachers say they’re afraid they don’t know enough or that their knowledge isn’t specific enough, considering how many different Aboriginal groups exist.

“They feel afraid that they’re going to get something wrong,” Deer says, noting in some instances backlash from parents and students can result.

Spirituality ‘difficult to manage’

They’re also unsure how to deal with lessons of spirituality in their classrooms since schools for the most part have removed religion from the curriculum.

“One can’t talk about Aboriginal education without exploring history and spirituality. Now the problem with this is the public school system has veered away from religion, from offering a Christian spin on education,” says Deer. “So some find it difficult to explore the spiritual side because other sides of spirituality have become taboo.

So that is difficult to manage.”

Another big misconception? That only Aboriginal kids need to learn about their heritage. Aboriginal kids experience a boost in confidence and new sense of pride in their identity, on the past and how it relates to issues still not fully resolved today – for example, residential school compensation and treaties.

Difficult to convince

His study, which is ongoing, showed it has also been difficult to convince more seasoned teachers and administrators that this new approach is the way to go, as has finding the resources to provide kids with hands-on experiences (like having them visit a sweat lodge or meet with an Elder.)

Deer teaches the course Integrating Aboriginal Perspectives in Curriculum, which gives him the opportunity to dispel education students’ myths about who should provide and receive Aboriginal education.

The course was created two years ago and was in response to a national report card on Aboriginal communities – addressing concerns about health, living conditions, and education – published more than a decade ago, in 1996. The province released an Aboriginal curriculum in 2003 that Deer describes as “a good starting point” but there are still only a few professors across Canada who formally train future teachers on the subject.

“This research is exciting to me because Aboriginal education is a brand new field of study,” he says.
Convocation Student Awards

Governor General’s Medals

Gold
Salaheddin Mahmut
Awarded for outstanding achievement at the graduate level

Silver
Trevor Jeremy Rempel
Awarded for outstanding achievement at the undergraduate level

Bronze
Jonah Harold Ganik
Awarded for highest standing in the two year Diploma course in Agriculture

Bronze
Jamie Pham
Awarded for highest standing in the two year Diploma program in Art, Dental Hygiene, or the Aboriginal Focus Programs

University Gold Medals

Awarded for highest standing in an undergraduate faculty or school.

Rebecca Catherine Eldamp
Agricultural and Food Sciences

Logan Littlefield
Architecture

Cullen Ryan Reesor Bingeman
Art

Uliana Nesterova
Arts

Michelle Eric Pelash
Asper School of Business

Audrey Kodie
Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface

Cullen Ryan Reesor Bingeman
Architecture

Art

Uliana Nesterova
Arts

Michelle Eric Pelash
Asper School of Business

Audrey Kodie
Collège universitaire de Saint-Boniface

Program Medals

Awarded for highest standing in a faculty or school program.

AGRICULTURAL AND FOOD SCIENCES

Accounting Major
Jordan Douglas Turek

Actuarial Mathematics Major
Tara McDonald

Entrepreneurship / Small Business
Tristan James Smykalski

Finance Major
Dana Zang

Human Resources Management / Industrial Relations
Karishma Jordan

International Business Major
Benjamin Lachlan Grant

Logistics and Supply Chain Management
Evan Collins

Management Information Systems
Laura Patricia Fox

Management of Organizations Major
Jeff Daniel Scott Klippenstein

Marketing Major
Kathryn Anne Patrick

DENTAL HYGIENE

Taryn Melissa Greenberg

EDUCATION

Earl Yves Stouff

Chantal M arie M arin

Michael Yves Stouff

Laurie Anne Vermette

Seniors Year Vermette

Jodyline Rachelle Chartier

ENGINEERING

Biomedical
Kevin Daniel Stockwell

Civil
Matthew Cornelius Vreeman

Electrical
David John Robert Weber

Mechanical
Hannah Boutilier

Human ECOLOGY

Cumbria Social Sciences
Kimberly Janet Boushier

HUMAN NUTRITIONAL SCIENCES

Stephanie Patricia Barbara Caligiuri

TEXTILE SCIENCES

Madelaine Calanza

KINESIOLOGY AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT

Kinesiology
Timothy James Dunk

Recreation Management and Community Development
Amanda Jay Pugh

CLAYTON H. RIDDELL FACULTY OF ENVIRONMENT, EARTH, AND RESOURCES

General Degree
Kathleen Marie Marie More

Advanced Degree
Gladys Elaine Salter

Honours Degree
Elinn Jill M. Anderson

SCIENCE

General Degree
Ethan Taylor Bahn

Major
Matthew M. Dickson

Honours Degree
Rebekah Amy Van Bruggen