Bison athletes work against bullies

In February 2006, Bison Sports, in conjunction with Bison Athletics Council, embarked on an anti-bullying campaign called “Bisons Against Bullying.” Bison student-athletes have been arranging class visits to local schools across Winnipeg over the last two months and continue to book sessions throughout the school year.

The campaign consists of attending a classroom twice with a first visit presentation dealing with topics such as: What is bullying? Who gets bullied? Why do some people bully? The return visit is a follow up session with the same teacher, took on the task of training and other sources. Cheryl Collins, a retired provincial Department of Education and curriculum, and they have a bit of star-power to help get the messages across.

“Bisons Against Bullying” is backed by the Faculty of Nursing, which collected about 250 books destined for Kabul and Kandahar. While the boxes are ready for delivery to the Canadian Forces, shipment has been postponed because the students are waiting for another batch of textbooks.

We are still trying to collect more dental books, and books are still coming from Memorial University and the University of Western Ontario, so we have postponed shipment to mid-May,” said Richard Gordon, a professor with the department of radiology, who helped the students coordinate the project from the beginning.

See BOOKS/P. 2.
Donation helps Faculty of Medicine remember its roots

BY KIMBERLEY CORNEILLIE  
For The Bulletin

“My earliest recollection of medicine in Manitoba is of having dinner at my uncle’s house in this little town and my brother being called to White Water Lake, which was just west of Boissevain... he was often called out during dinner...”, said Charles Barton Stewart, (MD, 1928), nephew of Albert Ernest Finley, (MD, 1904). Unfortunately, besides the memories there isn’t much information about Dr. Finley and the stories he could tell. He was a man who dedicated his life to rural medicine, running call to call by foot or horse buggies. The one thing left of his memory was his box of original Weinn London surgical tools from 1904 that he kept in family and donated to the Faculty of Medicine in this past March.

Stewart, despite his parent’s concern, followed in his uncle’s footsteps. His uncle impressed upon him the importance of caring for others and shared with him his passion for medicine. However, Stewart’s parents were concerned that like his uncle, he would die young due to overwork and exhaustion, as Finley often worked all hours leaving meals and his bed at the mercy of patients.

Finley born August 1870 in Amherst Island, Ontario, passed away at age 53 in his last place of practice, Elgin, Manitoba, in October, 1925. He was a hobby farmer and a doctor. The tools he used are some of the first instruments used in medicine. From 1904 to 1920 companies were beginning to develop many instruments to facilitate thoracic surgery such as rib retractors, rib shears and lung grasping forceps with rubber covered jaws. Other companies were developing ureterine dilators, medical clamps, surgical saws for amputation and surgical instruments for joining bone fragments for cranial, facial, vertebral fractures. Finley’s surgical case carried many of these tools. It may seem that a donation of surgical tools is not as valuable as a monetary donation, but the information and history of the pieces is priceless. These instruments provide us with a means to measure how far medicine and treatment methods have come. Donations like these help us to remember the past and initiate new donations, both monetary and in-kind, to help build research, education and provide medical students with the aid necessary to continue to make a difference in health care.

Although all we have are Finley’s tools, his nephew Stewart went onto become the President of the Canadian Urological Association in 1952, and in 1953 became the chief of urology at the University of Manitoba, a position he held until his retirement in 1962. Stewart had the memory of how his uncle impressed upon him the value of a competent medical physician on the prairies. Finley’s memory continues to motivate future medical generations as they too rush from their homes to attend to those patients who need them most.

Books project

From Page 1.

Medical students across Canada, led by the U of M, launched the Books with Wings project in 2002 as the Kabal Medical Library Project. A total of 5,400 books have been sent already, each valued at an average of $150.

This year, the project was renamed and expanded beyond the city of Kabal, it also marked the first year that dentistry and nursing students participated in the project.

Organizers are still accepting cash donations to help cover the cost of purchasing bookshelves for some of the libraries in Afghanistan. The shelving units will be purchased locally overseas. To make a donation, call 474-9195, and specify that it is for the Books with Wings project.

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In The News

BY CHRIS RUTKOWSKI  
For The Bulletin

Here’s a look at some of the places the University of Manitoba has been in the news over the past few weeks.

• “Heart researcher appointed,” Winnipeg Free Press, April 4
• “Biopsy taken at bullying,” Winnipeg Sun, April 5
• “A lot of art on exhibit! Mais oui!”, Winnipeg Free Press, April 6
• “U of M medical students collect old textbooks for Afghanistan,” CityTV, April 2 and CKX, April 2
• “No alarm bells in Manitoba flooding,” (Jay Doering), Globe and Mail, April 7
• “Reaction to throne speech,” (Paul Thomas), CBC Radio One, April 4
• “Eye-opening art,” photo and caption about School of Art’s Open House, Winnipeg Free Press, April 10
• “Art Smart,” photo and caption about art exhibit, Winnipeg Sun, April 10
• “Bisons athletes try to beat bullying,” Winnipeg Free Press, April 9

The University of Manitoba was mentioned in wire stories about the reconstruction of a mummy’s face, announced by a museum in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Scans of the mummy were sent to Robert Hoppa in anthropology, who used the rapid prototyping system in his lab to create a 3-D image of the mummy. Coverage included:
• “Facial reconstruction yields wrinkly mummy,” Independent (South Africa), April 6
• “Mummy’s likeness displayed,” NBC, April 6

Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources
Natural Resources Institute

The University of Manitoba invites applications for the position of Director, Natural Resources Institute (NRI). This is an internal search, therefore, applications are invited from persons who hold a tenured-track/tenued position within the University of Manitoba. The appointment will take effect July 1, 2006 or as soon thereafter as may be mutually agreed.

Established in 1968, the NRI has a distinguished record of graduate education. The NRI offers the degrees of Master of Environmental Studies and Master of Forestry. The successful candidate will have demonstrated leadership ability, administrative experience, and an understanding of interdisciplinary approaches to natural resources and environmental management and sustainable development. The successful candidate will have a proven record in teaching, research and scholarship, and must be an effective communicator with students, staff and others outside the Institute. Credentials include a Ph.D. or equivalent in a relevant discipline, experience in some aspect of natural resources and/or environmental management, and a demonstrated ability to work effectively with academic, private and public sectors. The position of Director is governed by By-Law 16.00 of the University Governance By-Laws.

Detailed information about the Institute may be found on website: http://www.umanitoba.ca/institutes/natural_resources and http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/environment.

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. Application materials, including letters of reference, will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba).

Deadline for applications (including curriculum vitae and the names of three references) is May 23, 2006. Please apply online at: http://www.umanitoba.ca/faculties/environment.

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Mini-University could be for you (or your kids)

BY DALE BARBOUR
The Bulletin
There’s more going on at Mini-University than you think.

“We’re not just sport camps,” children’s program director Janice Grift said. “There’s a lot of other special interest programs available for kids. We have computer camps, drama camps, law camps, nursing camps, you name it.”

Mini-University is into its 27th summer and attracts an average of 7,100 children aged four to 16 years old to the University of Manitoba every year.

“There are a lot of University of Manitoba employees who use the program. They drop off their kids in the morning on the way to work and pick them up when they’re heading home again,” said Grift. “You can almost always find a place to meet up with your child and go for lunch during the day.”

But while the Mini-University staff are used to “the problem making their presence known on campus during the summer, Grift says not everyone on campus understands the breadth of options available.

In all, there are over 50 different programs offered, running from July 4 to Sept. 1. Camps can run from one to two weeks.

More than 7,000 of these camps are obvious surprises for students. It allows people to discuss personal problems and concerns in a confidential environment away from the university.

“It’s very valuable in terms of staff and their overall well being. It enables them to get at small issues before they become larger issues,” staff benefits director Barbara Hanchard said. In the end no problem is too large or too small, the program is meant to cover everything from family problems, to personal challenges such as stress or depression to alcohol and drug concern. On the career side the counseling program can offer career planning for teenagers finishing high school and counseling for employees dealing with disappointment over missed job promotions.

The program is run through WarrenShepell Consultants. Counselling is done off campus and WarrenShepell is paid an annual fee for the service rather than invoicing per client. The university knows that 3,297 clients used the services last year, but it doesn’t have their names on file. Confidentiality even extends to ensuring that no two persons from the University of Manitoba will have back-to-back appointments with the same counselor, ensuring that people from the U of M will not accidentally bump into each other. By the same token, identifying messages are never left at the U of M will not accidentally bump into each other. By the same token, identifying messages are never left at home or work.

“It is very cloak and dagger,” WarrenShepell account representative Carol Holub says confidentiality is critical to making the program work. “The reality is that most people’s biggest concern is confidentiality,” Holub said. “People show more discomfort accessing mental health services than they do accessing physical health services.”

In other words, people have no problem announcing that they’re going to the doctor about a sore arm, but are less quick to announce a trip to the doctor about a sore arm, but are less quick to announce a trip to the doctor about a sore arm.

Survey taps student views on faculty
The annual study conducted by the Canadian Undergraduate Survey Consortium reports on undergraduate students’ satisfaction with faculty. Almost 12,800 undergraduate students at 28 universities across Canada took part in the survey, including the University of Manitoba, a founding member of the CUSC and annual participant.

Students were asked to agree or disagree with statements ranging from whether they feel their professors encourage class discussion, are accessible outside class and are sensitive to racial issues. The majority of students also feel professors focus on student interests, treat students as individuals and have a positive influence on their academic career.

The only exception came with the statement regarding whether students feel free to turn to professors for advice on personal matters. Only about four out of 10 agreed with that statement.

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The EAP committee includes Barbara Hanchard, staff benefits, Dennis Felbel and Tom Booth, UME, Tony Barton, AENES (Security), Jack Wallace, University Medical Group, Pattie Dickenson, AENES, Linda Lavallee, EMAPS, Charlie Johnson, CAW, and Donna Parkhurst, CUPE Local 1482. The committee can be reached through Jindra Vuncara at 788-8288.

For first time appointments with the Employee Assistance Program call 1 800 387 4765.

Expecting Visitors This Summer? Arthur V. Mauro Student Residence
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umanitoba.ca/student/housing/summer_accommodations.htm

U of M program provides help, maintains confidentiality
BY DALE BARBOUR
The Bulletin
The first step in getting people to the University of Manitoba to use the Employee Assistance Program? Remind them that it exists.

“I don’t know that all of them are aware that it’s there. When people are hired, they’re told about the program, but we really need to remind them. If they were hired years ago and they might not remember that we have it. If they were hired years ago and they might not remember that we have it.”

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Family can be friend or foe when treating patients

Books by University Staff

BY DALE BARBOUR
The Bulletin
If you don’t take the family into account when you’re dealing with chronically ill patients, then you really don’t have the full picture.

Social work and clinical health psychology professor Ranjan Roy’s latest book, Chronic Pain and Family: A Clinical Perspective, shows how the family needs to be front and centre when considering the needs of the patient.

“The family can be a great ally to treating a chronically ill patient or they can be a great hindrance,” Roy said. “This book talks about why the family should be brought in and what the role of the family is in treating chronic pain.”

People have been catching on to that reality – Roy said over the past 20 years there has been a proliferation of research focused on the family. What Chronic Pain and Family does is pull all that new information together into one package that can be used by clinical psychologists and clinical social workers engaged in providing therapy to chronic pain patients and their families.

“It really makes a case for why the family has to be integral to all of this,” Roy said.

When a family member has a chronic illness it impacts the entire family. “It alters the family dynamics – they need to reorganize to function,” Roy said. The impact is greatest on the spouse, assuming it is one of the parents that has a chronic illness. The healthy spouse is often forced to step forward and take on more responsibilities in the workplace and at home. By contrast, the family member suffering from the illness has to deal with the psychological loss of his or her regular role in the family, an easy ingredient for depression when combined with the illness.

In contrast, Roy said the children of chronic pain patients are the least affected in the family, although they too have to deal with parents taking on different roles or not being able to spend time and interact with them like they could before.

From the perspective of the patients, Roy said the family can be the perfect support system. But in some cases, that support can be a hindrance to the patient recovering or receiving proper care.

“The partner can reinforce illness behaviour which can be detrimental to the patient’s recovery,” Roy said. “Say the patient gets up in the morning and says, ‘my back hurts.’ The patient’s partner might say, ‘Take it easy or don’t go into work,’ but the purpose of rehabilitation is to make that person function.” Roy said.

In all, Chronic Pain and Family has a dozen chapters looking at everything from the nature of families, to chronic pain and sexual relations, to spousal abuse. While the book pulls together the existing literature on the subject, it is also a call for more research into family therapy as an integral part of treatment.

“We don’t know how effective family therapy is with chronic pain problems. Anecdotally, we know family therapy is big part of treating patients with chronic illnesses, but we don’t have the research information to back up that view yet,” Roy said.

Happy Anniversary!

Over 300 people were on hand to celebrate The Centre for Ukrainian Canadian Studies 25th anniversary with a concert held on March 26, at St. John’s College chapel. The program featured two choirs, the Alexander Muza Choir of Winnipe and the University of Manitoba women’s choir with a unique program of rare archival music, including the North American premiere of Michael Balf’s 1862 cantata Mazeppa.

Senator briefs

Senate approved a series of new program proposals at its April 5 meeting.

• The School of Art’s proposal for a master of fine arts degree program was approved and sent on to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for consideration. It would create the Master of Fine Arts, the terminal academic degree in fine art – traditionally the MFA is regarded as the first graduate degree at the School of Art.

• Extended Education’s proposal to implement them immediately.

• The Council on Post-Secondary Education has approved the master of public health program and the establishment of the PhD program in design and planning. Because the new programs don’t require any additional resources, the university will be able to implement them immediately.

Good year for fundraising

It’s been another successful year of fundraising at the University of Manitoba. The U of M raised $21.8 million for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006.

“Our priorities going into the next year will be capital projects and student supports,” vice-president (external) Elaine Goldie said.

JULY 1

We’re going to have a holiday Monday, rather than a holiday Friday. The University of Manitoba has decided to observe the Canada Day holiday on Monday, July 3 rather than June 30 as was originally set out in the 2006-2007 academic schedule. The change falls in line with other large employers in the province.

IN MEMORIAM

Senate paid its respects to three former faculty members at its April 5 regular meeting. Murray Donnelly, 86, died on Feb. 1 at Victoria General Hospital. Originally from Nova Scotia, Donnelly first taught political science at the University of Manitoba in 1949 and then returned as a professor in 1960 and stayed until his retirement in 1987. Donnelly served, among other positions, as the second provost of University College from 1966 to 1978. In many ways, Donnelly served the character of University College, actively recruiting controversial and topical guest lecturers and engaging in rousing debates with the “radiator radicals,” a group of students who had a penchant for parking themselves on the radiators lining the walls of the junior common room and holding forth on a variety of subjects.

John Laurence Hamerton, Faculty of Medicine, died on Feb. 9 at 76-years of age. Born in Hove, England, Hamerton was drawn to Canada in 1969 by the opportunity to create the Winnipeg Children’s Hospital’s first human genetics department. Named a distinguished professor emeritus at the University of Manitoba, Hamerton was actively involved in ethical issues related to the Human Genome Project.

Cecile Clayton-Gouthro, Faculty of Human Ecology, died on Feb. 11. Clayton-Gouthro joined the department of clothing and textiles, now known as textile sciences, as a lecturer in 1986 and advanced to associate professor. She was instrumental in developing and sustaining the Clothing and Textiles Hallway Museum. The contents of the museum now reside at the Costume Museum of Canada in Duggal.

UNITED WAY

President Emiko Szathmáry’s report credited the university community for raising $443,440 for the United Way. The report noted the total included $5,000 raised by UMSU through the proceeds of a pre-Christmas social event. The amount raised by the university’s campaign is second only to the Government of Canada campaign in the top 50 workplace campaigns in Winnipeg.
Bannatyne Campus 

ST AND ROYAL BONE RESEARCH CENTRE

Thurs.

Friday, April 28

FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Medical Microbiology PhD Defense, Investigation of Fluoroquinolone Resistance-Associated Mutations in Canadian Clinical Isolates and Laboratory Mutants of Streptococcus pneumoniae by Heather Adam, Theatre F. Basic Medical Sciences Building, 9:30 a.m., Friday, April 28.

Community Health Sciences, The Canadian Virtual Hospice and Children’s Playground on Metis Nation, by Carla Eos, PhD student, community health sciences, WRTC. (Western Regional Training Centre for Health Services Research) sponsored Fellow. Dr. Betty Havens Seminar Room, 8060 Medical Rehabilitation Building, 7:45 McDermot Ave., 12 p.m., Friday, April 21.

SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Diabetes Education Resource for Children and Adolescents with Gina Rayat of the Indo Cell Transplantation team from the University of Alberta. The one-day event will focus on type 1 diabetes research. Along with Rayat, Manitoba researchers will present on current research being done right here in Manitoba. The event runs 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Saturday, April 29, Theatre A Basic Medical Sciences Building. To register call Pat at 410-787-1021.

MONDAY, MAY 1

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National Training Program in Allergy and Asthma Research, Mentors’ Overview Series with Drs. A. Soussy Gourni and A. Halayko, Immunology Library 604/605 Basic Medical Sciences Building, 3:30 p.m., Monday, May 1.

VIMY RIDGE PARK. In addition to selections sung by the chorus, the concert will feature two groups within from the chorus, The Gallery Minstrels and The Triad Singers. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for students. Children 12 and under are free. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the chorus or at the door on the evening of the performance. There will be a reception after the concert in the church hall. Additional information about this concert can be obtained from Steve Denby, director of the chorus (889-4950) or Bob Stewart, president of the chorus (455-5440).

Dr. Paul H.T. Thorlakson Gallery

The Iceland Reading Room, Elizabeth Dafoe Library, University of Manitoba Gallery hours: Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. (Weekend openings being arranged.)

MODERN RAIDERS – VIRINGN NÚTTMANS

March 19 to April 30

The Modern Raiders exhibit includes the works of Jón Óskar and Hekla Dógg Jónsdóttir. There is a cultural ambiguity in the works of the artists, both from Iceland, that is symbolic of how the world is constantly shrinking and creating more options for cultural exchange. For further information call 474 6345 or e-mail sigrid.johnson@umanitoba.ca.
**Events Listing**

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**THURSDAY, MAY 4**


**FRIDAY, MAY 5**

Pharmacology, Reflex Regulation by Portal Blood Flow on Renal Function in Health and Liver Disease: Role of Adenosine by Zhi Ming, research associate, pharmacology and therapeutics, Pharmacology Library A229 Chown Building, 12 p.m., Thursday, May 4.

**Academic Job Opportunities**

A full listing of employment opportu-
nities at the University of Manitoba can be found at www.umanitoba.ca

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ages applications from qualified women and men, including members of visible minorities, Aboriginal peoples, and persons with disabilities. All qualified candi-
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tion number when applying for open-

ing at the university.

**FACULTY OF ENGINEERING**

Department of Civil Engineering

Position: Assistant professor in water resources engineering, term position

Start date: July 1, 2006, position runs until July, 2010

Application deadline: May 20

Position number: 03992

For information: Dr. P. Rasmussen, acting head, department of civil engineering, University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, MB, R3T 5V6, e-mail rasmuse@cc.umanitoba.ca.

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

Department of Clinical Health Psychology

Winnipeg Regional Health Authority

Clinical Health Psychology Programme

Position: Clinical neuropsychologist at the assistant professor level. The position will be based at Riverview Health Centre and the Health Sciences Centre in Winnipeg.

Start date: July 1

Salary: A competitive salary schedule is available and, in addition, the GFT agreement provides for on-site private practice opportunities.

Application deadline: May 20

Position number: AFB 986

For information: Dr. Robert McLwilrath, department of clinical health psychology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba, PO Box 550 - 771 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R3E 3N4, phone 787 3876, fax 787 3759, e-mail: bmcilwraith@hsc.mb.ca.

**Department of Clinical Health Psychology**

Position: Clinical psychologist at the assistant professor level. The position will be based in Thompson, MB, providing psychological services to the Burnwood Regional Health Authority.

Start date: July 1

Salary: An attractive salary schedule is available and, in addition, the GFT agreement provides for on-site private practice opportunities.

Application deadline: May 20

Position number: AEM 422

For information: Dr. Robert McLwilrath, department of clinical health psychology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba, PZ 350 - 771 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R3E 3N4, phone 787 3876, fax 787 3759, e-mail: bmcilwraith@hsc.mb.ca.

**Department of Clinical Health Psychology**

Position: Clinical psychologist at the assistant professor level. The position will be based in Flin Flon, MB, providing psychological services to the Non-Mar Regions Health Authority.

Start date: July 1

Salary: A competitive salary schedule is available and, in addition, the GFT agreement provides for on-site private practice opportunities.

Application deadline: May 20

Position number: AEA 292

For information: Dr. Robert McLwilrath, department of clinical health psychology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba, PO Box 550 - 771 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R3E 3N4, phone 787 3876, fax 787 3759, e-mail: bmcilwraith@hsc.mb.ca.

**Department of Medical Microbiology**

Laboratory Medicine Program of the Diagnostic Services of Manitoba Medical

Position: Medical microbiologist

Start date: July 1

Salary: Competitive salary with the candidate's experience and qualifications

Application deadline: June 12

For information: Dr. Godfrey Harding, medical director, clinical microbiology discipline, Diagnostic Services of Manitoba, L 4025-409 Tache Ave., Winnipeg, MB, R2H 2A6, phone 257 7678, fax 257 7678, e-mail gharding@sbgh.mb.ca.

**Faculty of Medicine**

Department of Family Medicine

**Education Director**

The Department of Family Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Manitoba invites applications for the full-time position of Education Director at the rank of Instructor L. Reynolds (02699). The Department of Family Medicine offers education in family medicine and primary care to undergraduate and postgraduate medical trainees. This education is delivered at multiple sites in Winnipeg, rural and northern Manitoba. The start date of the position is July 1, 2006 or as soon thereafter as possible. The tasks of the Education Director fall into five major areas: 1) Educational program/curriculum development; 2) Instructional quality improvement; 3) evaluation of progress towards program goals; 4) professional development and 5) recruitment.

Specific duties of the Education Director will vary with the needs of the Department. However, primary responsibilities will include:

- Within the Departmental framework, participate in the planning, development, administration, and evaluation of the educational programs of the Department.
- Act as the program's Resident Evaluation Coordinator;
- Establish effective liaison with other specialty rotations to communicate objectives and evaluation of family medicine residents;
- Participate in the identification of residents and subsequent development of an educational prescription for residents who are having educational difficulties;
- Provides, or oversees, the orientation and instructional-skill development of faculty;
- Participates in the teaching of appropriate educational and clinical-care content to family medicine residents and undergraduate medical students;
- Produces appropriate scholarly work on medical education / family medicine resident education for publication, presentation and dissemination.

**Qualifications**

- Completion of or nearing completion of a Masters of Education – preferably with a focus on medical education. An acceptable equivalent combination of education and experience may be considered.
- Healthy professional presence
- Skilled at Word processing, presentation and data management software
- Communicating clearly both in writing and verbally
- Organizational skills
- Giving feedback
- Analyzing educational needs and planning appropriate solutions
- Evaluation strategies
- Team building

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 preference.

Salary will be commensurate with experience and academic qualifications. Applications, accompanied by a curriculum vitae, a list of publications and three references, should be sent to:

Dr. L. Reynolds
Department of Family Medicine
E6003 St. Boniface General Hospital
409 Tache Ave.
Winnipeg, Manitoba
R2H 2A6
Fax 231-0502
Email:lreymonds@sbgh.mb.ca

Application closing date is May 22, 2006.

Application materials, including letter of reference, will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (Manitoba).
Finding ways to improve poultry feed formulation

By Frank Nolan, Research Promotion Officer

A new project in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences is examining better ways to formulate poultry feed. The project could not only improve production efficiency, it could also have significant environmental benefits.

Amino acids are among the most important, and most expensive, components of poultry feed. The protein building blocks provide young chicks and adult birds with the raw materials they need for healthy growth, development, and production.

Knowing exactly how much amino acid content to include in poultry feed is one of the major problems faced by commercial feed producers. If the level is too low, the birds won’t get the nutrients they need, and if the level is too high, any excess amino acids are broken down and excreted as nitrogen, which is a major environmental concern.

To ensure adequate levels, many feed producers include a wide safety margin when determining how much protein producers include a wide safety margin in poultry feed. This margin can be as high as 15 per cent, which adds extra cost to the feed and increases the potential for higher nitrogen levels in manure.

“Currently, poultry feed formulation with respect to amino acids relies on digestibility coefficients generated using adult roosters,” said Martin Nyachoti, animal science. “The question, though, is whether or not those adult roosters with their more developed digestive systems are physiologically similar to young chicks. We think there is a significant difference.”

Nyachoti is investigating ways to generate more accurate digestibility coefficients for amino acids. His project recently received $75,000 in new funding from the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC).

“Reducing cost is definitely one of the benefits we think will come out of this project,” he said. “If you’re using the right digestibility coefficients, you can avoid the large safety margins when you formulate the diets, which can lead to significant cost benefits in the end.”

Nyachoti’s research is focused on amino acids derived from feed ingredients important to the prairie region, including wheat, peas, flax, corn and distiller’s grains. For each ingredient, he will collect five samples from locations in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, and quantify digestible amino acid coefficients using young broiler chicks.

“There is a huge interest in this research, from industry as well as academia,” he said. “This project will be conducted entirely at the University of Manitoba, but it is also a satellite part of a much larger program that involves industry partners and several universities in the United States that are working on the same kind of research.”

Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences has a new director

The University of Manitoba and St. Boniface General Hospital have announced the appointment of Larry Hryshko as director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences.

Hryshko, physiology, holds a Canada Research Chair in Cardiac Electrophysiology. He has been published in such prestigious works as the Handbook of Physiology and in Cardiac Electrophysiology: From Cell to Bedside, a widely utilized clinical textbook.

Hryshko succeeds Naranjan Dhalla, a world-renowned heart researcher and distinguished professor of physiology at the University of Manitoba. Dhalla is stepping down after two decades as head of the Division of Cardiovascular Sciences, which became the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences in 1996.

Hryshko joined the Division of Cardiovascular Sciences in 1994, and has been a member of the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences at the St. Boniface Hospital Research Centre since its creation. He and his team of researchers investigate the molecular properties of sodium-calcium exchangers - proteins essential for normal cardiac function. Hryshko’s laboratory collaborates locally, nationally, and internationally with academic research laboratories and pharmaceutical companies.

“I am very pleased that the new Director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences is one of the University’s and St. Boniface’s leading researchers,” said Michel Tétreault, President and CEO of St. Boniface General Hospital. “I believe that Dr. Hryshko’s vision for cardiovascular research will significantly advance research in this field and assist in making our province a centre of cardiovascular excellence not only in research but in patient care.”

“I congratulate Dr. Hryshko on his appointment as Director of the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences,” said University of Manitoba President and Vice-Chancellor Emöke Szathmáry. “He is an outstanding scientist who will continue the tradition of excellence established by Dr. Dhalla. We are very proud of the long-standing partnership with St. Boniface General Hospital that this Institute represents. Collaborative partnerships such as the Institute contribute greatly to health research.”

Widely regarded as one of the pre-eminent basic cardiovascular research programs in the world, the Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences is a partnership between the University of Manitoba and St. Boniface General Hospital, and is a leading force in the fight against heart disease at the cellular and molecular levels. This multidisciplinary program includes over 80 researchers investigating cardiovascular pathophysiology, cellular and molecular biology. The Institute is also home to the journal Molecular and Clinical Cardiology.
Success happens on the ice and in the pool
No matter where you looked, 2005-06 was a good season for the Bisons

BY CHRIS ZUK
Bison Sports Information Officer
The Bisons have had plenty to celebrate over the past year. One team came home with a CIS bronze medal and five out of the eight Bison teams made it into the CIS playoffs.

To celebrate, the Manitoba Bisons handed out their year-end hardware at the annual Brown and Gold Banquet held at Canad Inns Fort Garry on Saturday, April 8.

Bisons Landice Yestrau and Kevin Saurette were named as Bison Sports Female and Male Athletes of the Year for the 2005-06 season. Men’s Volleyball Head Coach Garth Pischke was selected as Bison Sports Coach of the Year.

Yestrau is only the second female swimmer to be honoured with this award in its 43-year history.

Yestrau is the third rookie Bison athlete and first in 22 years to win Athlete of the Year honour. She is the first rookie to capture the top honour since NHL hockey star Mike Ridley was the first rookie to capture the top honour as Bison Sports Male Athlete of the Year in 1983-84 season. The other Bison rookie to win was Nancy Bossuyt in gymnastics.

Female athletes have been given the year-end Athlete of the Year award since the 1963-64 season and there has been two swimming athletes selected. This ranks behind volleyball (18), basketball (14), track and field (8) and gymnastics (3).

April turned into a double gold month for Yestrau – along with being recognized by the University of Manitoba, she was honoured as Sport Manitoba’s female athlete of the year based on her efforts in 2005. Sport Manitoba’s award winners were announced on April 11 and were determined from a group of 36 nominees put forward by Provincial Sport Organizations and selected by members of the Manitoba sports media.

Meanwhile, Kevin Saurette’s selection as Male Athlete of the Year by Bison Sports makes it back-to-back for Bison Male Athletes of the Year. It’s the second time for hockey to be selected in consecutive seasons since the 1960s in the 47 year history of the award. Saurette completed his career with an outstanding year during the 2005-06 season.

Bison Male Athletes of the Year have been selected since the 1959-60 season with men’s hockey players chosen 14 times. This is tied for first with first-year volleyball (14) and followed by football (8), basketball (6) and track and field (5).

Along with the Athletes of the Year, Bison Sports recognized its coach of the year, Garth Pischke, top left, female athlete of the year, Landice Yestrau, above, and male athlete of the year Kevin Saurette at its Brown and Gold Banquet on April 8.

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Garth Pischke was selected for the first time as Bison Sports Coach of the Year in the three year history of the award. He had a tremendous season as he coached the men’s volleyball team to the CIS National Championship and a bronze medal finish.

LANDICE YESTRAU
Highlights from Yestrau’s rookie season include:
• A Top 5 finish in three events at the 2006 CIS Championships. She was a bronze medallist in the 50m backstroke in a time of 28.77.
• Won five medals at Canada West Championships. She was a silver medallist in the 50m backstroke, had three silver medals and one bronze in a relay team. Earned a Commonwealth Games spot for Canada.
• At the 2006 Commonwealth Games, she swam in her first major international competition as a senior and came away with two personal best times in the 50m and 100m backstroke on a long course. Her best result was finishing sixth in the 50m backstroke final with a time of 29.75. She was the only Canadian to qualify for the final in that event.
• Swim Manitoba Outstanding Female Swimmer of the Year award for 2005.
• Manitoba Sportswriters and Sportsbroadcasters Association finalist for 2005 Manitoba Female Athletes of the Year.
• Won three gold medals (50m, 100m, 200m backstroke) and silver medal (50m butterfly) at 2006 Western Championship.
• Set five new Bison swim records over the season. Three in individual events (50m, 100m and 200m backstroke) and two relays (4x100m freestyle and 4x200m freestyle).
• Named Swim of the Meet Award at the 2005 Prairie Winter Invitational (she had eight first place finishes in backstroke, butterfly and relay events).

KEVIN SAURETTE
Highlights from Saurette’s fifth year with the Bisons include:
• Selected as a Canada West Second Team All-Star for the second consecutive season.
• The Winnipeg native led the team in regular season conference scoring with 36 points (10g, 26a) and was second in conference scoring.
• His 26 assists topped all players in conference play.
• In the 2006 Canada West playoffs, the co-captain of the Bisons was tied for the scoring lead with 11 points.
• He was named as Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) - VISA Rail Male Athlete of the Week and Canada West Male Athlete of the Week for the week ending October 9.
• Co-captain for the first time
• Received the Mike Ridley award for superior athletic ability, good academic standing and high level of leadership as a full-time student for a second consecutive season.
• Finished five career year with 206 points (75g, 131a) in 191 overall games and tied for seventh all-time in Bison scoring leaders.
• Started playing for Los Angeles Kings ECHL’s affiliate, the Reading Royals, in April 2006.

GARTH PISCHKE
Some of Pischke’s highlights included:
• This Bison head coach led the Bison men’s volleyball to their 25th CIS National Championships appearance out of the last 26 years as head coach (only year missed was the 1996-97 season).
• The team won a second consecutive bronze medal at their CIS championship after narrowly missing out of the gold medal game.
• Coached team to a bronze medal at the 2006 Canada West Championship.
• During his Bison career, he has impressively led the team to nine CIS gold medals, nine CIS silver medals and four CIS bronze medals with their lowest finish at fifth.
• He was recognized by the CIS for his accomplishments with a special plaque at the CIS Championships at McMaster for achieving 25 trips to the Nationals.