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REACHING OUT TO AND IMPACTING THE WORLD



HUNGARY

Hungarian scholars visit U of M to explore the commonalities and diversity between our two cultures related to community health, law, politics and poetry

AZERBAIJAN

Azerbaijan's ambassador visits the Arthur V. Mauro Centre for Peace and Justice to meet with PhD students

JAPAN

Chancellor Emeritus Bill Norrie receives personal audience with Emperor of Japan in Vancouver as part of the dignitary's visit to Canada



OXFORD, ENGLAND

Tyler Grant joins a proud tradition by becoming the 93rd Rhodes Scholar in the U of M's history and will study at Oxford University

CHENGDU, CHINA

Students and faculty from Sichuan University in Chengdu, China visit U of M to learn about Canadian health care system



SHANTOU, CHINA

Pharmacy and Medicine researchers bring expertise to international health conference at Shantou University in China

AFGHANISTAN

U of M's Military Support Office helps Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan and around the world work towards their degrees

KARNATAKA, INDIA

U of M's Centre for Global Public Health works to improve health of mothers, newborns and children in Karnataka, India



KENYA

U of M researcher leads groundbreaking HIV/AIDS research in Kenya

GHANA, AFRICA

Centre for Community Oral Health delivers free dental care to remote communities

SOUTH AFRICA

U of M geologist helps discover 3.2 billion-year-old evidence of the ancient complex life formed on Earth; findings published in the journal *Nature*



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Your commitment as donors to the University of Manitoba has been nothing short of outstanding even in a challenging economy. Thanks to you, we raised \$30.3 million in 2009-2010.

Your phenomenal support demonstrates your confidence in our institution, and for that we are grateful.

Due to your investment, students and faculty continue to reach every corner of the world through teaching, research and community service. From Arctic research in the North to free dental clinics in Ghana and international recognition of our academic programs, the University of Manitoba is having an impact on our global community. In fact we now have student and faculty exchanges in more than 30 countries. Thank you for helping us to reach out and impact the world.

David T. Barnard,
President and Vice-Chancellor, PhD

FACTS & FIGURES

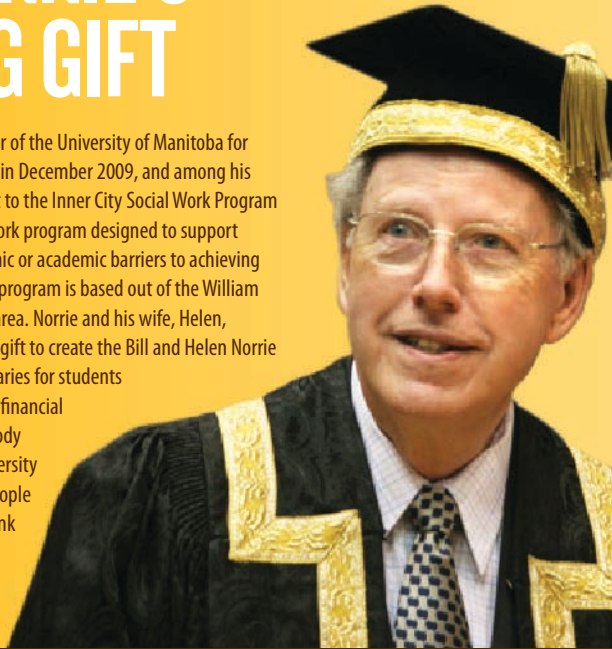
- The U of M endowment fund remains strong. As of March 31, 2010, the value of the endowment fund is \$301 million, up from \$250 million in 2009, and the value of specific trusts is \$38 million, up from \$32 million in 2009. The partial recovery from the previous year has allowed the fund to maintain a 4.5% spending allocation for 2010-2011.
- Along with educating tomorrow's leaders, the university serves as a catalyst for the provincial economy – generating \$1.8 billion annually.
- The university holds more than 300 patents covering over 200 valuable platform technologies.
- More than 49 new scholarships and 23 new bursaries were created in 2009/2010. More than \$13 million in student awards are dispersed annually.



*The Manitoba Scholarship and Bursary Initiative has made a contribution to these funds.

BILL NORRIE'S PARTING GIFT

Dr. Bill Norrie served as Chancellor of the University of Manitoba for nine years before stepping down in December 2009, and among his many legacies is his commitment to the Inner City Social Work Program (ICSWP) – a Bachelor of Social Work program designed to support students who face social, economic or academic barriers to achieving a post-secondary education. The program is based out of the William Norrie Centre in Winnipeg's core area. Norrie and his wife, Helen, have left the university a parting gift to create the Bill and Helen Norrie Bursary*, which will provide bursaries for students enrolled in the ICSWP who are in financial need. "I hope it would let somebody realize they have access to a university education," says Norrie. "Many people who live in the inner city may think that's not possible."



SUICIDE PREVENTION STUDY

Youth suicide and suicide attempts have become a major problem among First Nations communities. To counteract this troubling trend, the Swampy Cree Suicide Prevention Team in the Department of Community Health Sciences is working with the Swampy Cree Tribal Council to better understand the risk factors for suicide among Aboriginal populations. RBC Foundation made a \$20,000 donation to the project, which will play a significant role in providing these First Nations communities with evidence for policymakers to make decisions to reduce the risk of suicide among youth groups. "I hope this is a stepping stone to find answers and create healing among Swampy Cree children and communities," says Holly Toupin, Regional Vice-President, RBC Royal Bank.

BOOST TO RENAL TRANSPLANT RESEARCH

Douglas Flynn pledged a \$1 million leadership gift to a new Chair in Renal Transplantation, offering tremendous support for kidney disease research. The chair will continue the important work done by Peter Nickerson and David Rush – two internationally esteemed U of M researchers who are trying to determine how to prevent the body's immune system from rejecting kidney transplants. "My father received a new kidney in December 2008, so I have had the good fortune of seeing first hand the life changing benefits of the renal program under the direction of Drs. Rush and Nickerson," Flynn says. "I am happy to report that my father's new kidney is functioning very well and that dialysis is a thing of the past for him. I am honoured to assist the doctors and their team with their worthy efforts so that they may continue to enhance the lives of others in the future." Approximately 2,000 Manitobans suffer from kidney disease, about 1,000 of whom require dialysis.

RICHARD LEIPSIC: THE GIFT IS IN THE GIVING

Giving back to the community that nurtured and educated you is part of Richard Leipsic's [BA/71, LLB/75] deeply ingrained philosophy and he's putting that value into practice with his decision to donate \$25,000 to Robson Hall to establish the ZSA – National Post/Richard Leipsic Prize. Second and third year students who excel in corporate law courses will be eligible for the annual award. "Robson Hall and its faculty have a stellar reputation and have had a profound impact on my career. I was very pleased to direct the prize in its favour," Leipsic says.

ENDOWMENT FUNDS PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS

"Without the support from the endowment fund, the field trip wouldn't run." That's Arnie Hydamaka's take on the difference faculty endowment funds make for teaching and research opportunities at the U of M. The food science professor in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences takes his students on an annual field trip to Minneapolis. Funding from the Faculty's Endowment Fund covers about two-thirds of the students' costs. "There is a lack of international headquarters of food companies in Manitoba," Hydamaka explains. "Going to these companies shows students that the opportunities in food science and food processing are not just on the factory line."

For more on how donors support education through endowment funds, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact

STUDENT-RUN HEALTH CARE FOR NORTH END RESIDENTS

Students and faculty in Dental Hygiene, Dentistry, Dietetics, Medical Rehabilitation, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Psychology and Social Work have joined together with health-care professionals to offer patient-centered health care to one of Winnipeg's poorest communities. The Winnipeg Interprofessional Student-Run Health (WISH) Clinic, operated out of Mount Carmel Clinic in Winnipeg's North End, is an interdisciplinary initiative involving students and licensed professionals from various disciplines. Thanks to a \$162,000 commitment from the Tolkien Trust over six years, the WISH Clinic will continue helping clients until at least 2015. "The WISH Clinic serves a community that has many health needs, with higher rates of diabetes, heart and respiratory diseases, among other conditions. The community also struggles with poverty... poor housing, job and food insecurity," says Anne Durcan, assistant professor, Community Health Sciences, adding the WISH Clinic aims to develop a healthy community environment.

For more on the student-run clinic, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact





Laurelle Froese

ZITA BERNSTEIN PRIZE WINNER HEADED TO OPERA NUOVA

Laurelle Froese [BMus(Perf)/09] won the annual Zita Bernstein German Lieder Competition in November. The prestigious Zita Bernstein Prize* was established in 1998 by Mark and Zita Bernstein, and carries a cash prize award. "It is nice to say that I have won a competition of this nature. This repertoire in particular is so crucial to one's development as a classical singer," says Froese, who has performed with the Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra, the Musical Offering, Prairie Performances and the Winnipeg Women's Musical Club. This summer she will perform in her first full role at Opera Nuova in Edmonton.



Ivy Bricker

DESIGNED FOR THE FUTURE

Joan Harland inspired her students to great heights throughout her 41-year teaching career. As a tribute to her 95th birthday, those students decided to enhance the Joan Harland Graduate Scholarship in Interior Design*, established in 1980. Since the beginning of the renewed fundraising campaign, more than 60 donors have given a combined \$24,482 to the scholarship fund. When combined with provincial matching funds, the fund balance has grown to more than \$60,000, which will gradually bring the value of the award up from \$550 to over \$2,500 each year. "The scholarship has made a difference in my experience as a student, as it supported some of my education and fees," says Ivy Bricker, adding it was an honour to be recognized with the award. "An increase in the amount awarded from this scholarship will only aid students further in their education."

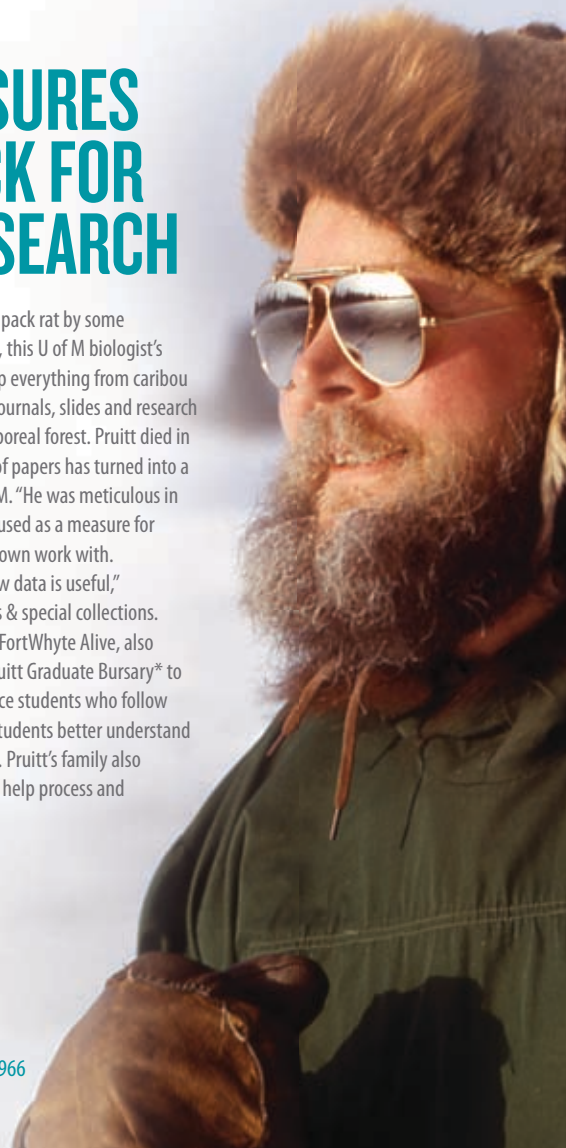
To learn more about Harland's impact on interior design education at the U of M, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact

PAST TREASURES A YARDSTICK FOR BOREAL RESEARCH

William Pruitt has been described as a pack rat by some and a visionary by others – either way, this U of M biologist's fascination with nature led him to keep everything from caribou hooves and bear skulls to field notes, journals, slides and research papers related to his life's work in the boreal forest. Pruitt died in December of 2009, and his collection of papers has turned into a sizable and important gift to the U of M. "He was meticulous in his collection of data, and that can be used as a measure for [today's] researchers to compare their own work with. The boreal forest is changing, so his raw data is useful," says Shelley Sweeney, head of archives & special collections. Prior to his passing, Pruitt, along with FortWhyte Alive, also established the William O. and Erna Pruitt Graduate Bursary* to encourage master's and doctoral science students who follow in his footsteps. Pruitt's gift will help students better understand the natural history of the boreal forest. Pruitt's family also set up the Dr. William O. Pruitt Fund to help process and digitize his papers.

For more on Bill Pruitt's legacy, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact

William Pruitt 1966



NEW AWARD EXTOLS COMMUNITY OUTREACH

In addition to learning how to become successful pharmacists, last year's Pharmacy class also gained an appreciation for philanthropy. The class used the \$5,000 surplus from its successful graduation fundraising effort to establish the Pharmacy Class of 2009 Passion and Commitment Award. "We thought, what better way to leave an impression on the Faculty for future classes than by giving an award back and having it remind future classes of what our class was about," says Crystal Kosheluk, graduation committee member. "It takes academics, volunteering and community service into consideration to allow a well-rounded, passionate future pharmacist to earn this award," she says of the scholarship that will be awarded annually for the next 20 years.

A LASTING IMPRESSION

In 1988, JoAnne Buggie set up a scholarship in honour of her father, Les Buggie [DipPharm/25], a groundbreaking pharmaceutical salesman. And Ric Procyshyn, who received the first Leslie F. Buggie Graduate Scholarship in Pharmacy* 20 years ago, remembers the impact of that award. "Mr. Buggie was inspiring; he had achieved so much and if I were to achieve half as much, that would be wonderful," he says. Procyshyn is now a clinical associate professor and researcher at UBC and the British Columbia Mental Health and Addictions Research Institute where he investigates many issues related to the treatment of schizophrenia as well as the links between smoking and schizophrenia. "I hope to make a difference in people's lives," he says.

To learn more about the impact of the Buggie Scholarship, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact

STUDENTS TO RUB SHOULDERS WITH BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Business students will be doing part of their studies in the heart of Winnipeg's banking and commerce district when the downtown campus of the I.H. Asper School of Business opens in 2011. The new Asper School of Business, downtown campus will be located in a heritage setting at 177 Lombard. This historic space will house smart classrooms for local and distance professional development, an area for student and corporate and community leaders to meet, as well as a library and reading room available to the business community. **The Great-West Life Assurance Company, Power Corporation of Canada, The Institute of Chartered Accountants of Manitoba, and The Winnipeg Foundation** each invested \$500,000 in the new downtown campus of the Asper School. **CN** has also contributed \$250,000 to the building project, which will ensure the School has cutting edge resources and programs needed for stellar executive education in an accessible downtown location.



Sarah Anne Johnson, *Front Porch*, 2009

MAKING A STATEMENT

ARTSY ALUM SAYS SCHOLARSHIP WAS A CONFIDENCE BOOSTER

Sarah Anne Johnson [BFA/2002], who just finished a two-year term as artist-in-residence at the School of Art, gained international recognition after graduating from the U of M and has exhibits in the permanent collections of both New York City's Guggenheim Museum and the Art Gallery of Ontario. And winning the Lila Wallace – Reader's Digest Endowed Scholarship back when she was a student was a "confidence booster" that helped her on her path to success. "Mentally, emotionally, to win an award like that, to have your peers say you are good enough, that's the most important thing. You feel like you're meant for it and it gives you the courage to take the next step," she says.



INSPIRED TO GIVE

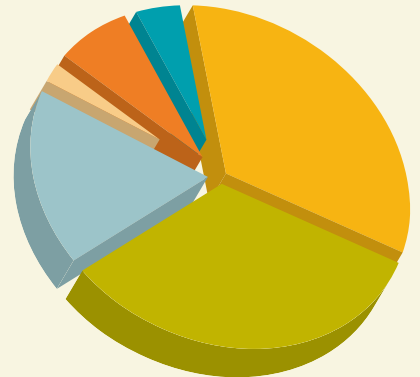
Mildred Bjarnason [BA/53, BEd/54, BEd/57, MEd/76] knows first hand the difference bursaries make to students. "My arts degree was the greatest struggle I had faced," says Bjarnason, who in her quest to be a teacher opted for a university education to reach her goal instead of going to Normal School, the predominant option during the 1950s. This meant she had to work 20 hours on weekends. "By the time I took my courses daily, wrote up my assignments and essays until 2 a.m. on most evenings, I was so tired when I attended classes I often fell asleep in them."

In 1951 she received a bursary, which was "nirvana," she says. And that's why she established the M.C. Bjarnason Bursary* to help students in similar situations.

To learn how students are responding to Bjarnason's generosity, visit umanitoba.ca/giving_impact

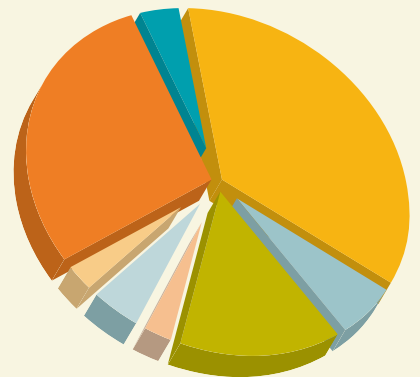
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

WHO HAS GIVEN (IN MILLIONS)



Alumni & Friends	\$10.3
Corporations	\$10.5
Foundations/Organizations	\$5.4
Staff	\$0.5
Manitoba Scholarship & Bursary Initiative	\$2.1
Students & Parents	\$1.5
Total	\$30.3

WHERE YOU HAVE GIVEN (IN MILLIONS)



Capital Funds	\$11.4
Chairs/Professorships	\$2.1
Faculties/Schools/Colleges Support	\$4.7
Gifts In Kind	\$0.5
Libraries/Galleries/Museums	\$0.6
Research	\$0.5
Student Support	\$9.2
Unrestricted & Other Gifts	\$1.3
Total	\$30.3

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The new ART Lab will be part of the Taché Arts Complex.

SETTING THE DOMINOES IN MOTION

FUTURE STUDENTS WILL HAVE NEW PLACES TO LIVE, LEARN AND GROW AS THE U OF M REFURBISHES HISTORIC BUILDINGS AND CONSTRUCTS NEW ONES UNDER PROJECT DOMINO, WHICH WILL TRANSFORM SEVERAL FACULTIES AND UNITS ON THE FORT GARRY CAMPUS.

The Wawanesa Mutual Insurance Company has committed \$325,000 to Project Domino – a gift that follows an earlier donation in 2008 of \$75,000 to the same project. Wawanesa's gift will go to the construction of the Taché Arts Complex and the Pembina Hall Student Residence Building Fund. Construction began in the spring on the modern undergraduate student residence in place of one that is nearly 100 years old. The new facility will enhance the student experience along with the university's ability to attract the most promising students both nationally and internationally. The Pembina Hall Residence development is an important first step in Project Domino, enabling Taché Hall Residence to be repurposed as the new home for the School of Art and the Marcel A. Desautels Faculty of Music. Students will move into the new residence in the fall of 2011, at which time construction of the Taché Arts Complex will begin at the site of the current residence.

CAMPUS AS A COMMUNITY

Amber Anderson Skrabek has been giving back to the U of M for several years. Inspired by the teaching and research she saw while working at the Faculty of Engineering, she knew she wanted to support her faculty's capital projects. "I believe what is happening in this building and on this campus has a long-standing impact in the world we live in. I want to be a part of that," says Anderson Skrabek, External Communications Specialist. She continues to support the U of M through the Campus as a Community Campaign – a university-wide campaign to raise awareness among staff and faculty that the U of M is a philanthropic option. Faculty and staff have already committed more than \$93,000 in the first two years of the three-year campaign.

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HEALTH SCIENCES LIBRARY EXPANDS THANKS TO DONORS

Generous donors contributed \$1.3 million to expand the Neil John Maclean Health Sciences Library, which serves the health sciences faculties at the U of M, as well as the wider medical community in the province. "Donor support was essential," says Ada Ducas, head of the library. "The funding allowed us to apply for the Knowledge Infrastructure Program from the government," which provided additional funds. The expanded library will feature 11 group study rooms, a new conference/training room and redeveloped and expanded spaces for the Faculty of Medicine Archives, the Aboriginal Health Collection and the History of Medicine Collection.



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