Senior Sticks in Togas

(Outgoing Stick) Chad Johnston ’02 and (Incoming Stick) Maryann Ferris at the March 2002 Residence Spring Banquet
In sitting down to write this, I realize that it has been five years since I wrote my first Warden’s Word. Like me, you may find that surprising. The time has flown past, but what an interesting time it has been! We have seen many exciting new developments at St John’s College; we have welcomed wonderful new fellows, staff members and students; we have seen members of our community retire or leave to pursue other opportunities; and we have mourned the passing of colleagues and friends. In short, we have experienced all the richness of our close-knit scholarly community.

St John’s College has continued to be a community known for the quality and productivity of its scholars. Over the past five years, we have seen Fellows, students and alumni receive major recognition and awards. Just this year Dr Mary Kinnear was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and Dr Alice Cheatley was inducted into the Order of Canada. Sarah Kreindler ’99 is currently studying at Oxford on a Rhodes Scholarship. We are starting the second year of an exciting partnership with the Faculty of Arts and the University of Manitoba in funding a Canadian Studies Coordinator faculty position that is held at St John’s College, and are already seeing many positive developments arising out of this initiative.

The last five years have seen many outstanding academic conferences being organized at the College: two international “Prairies” conferences and a conference on the work of theologian Richard Hooker are just a few.

The Faculty of Theology has hosted four successful Summer Institutes of Theology and has also seen its newly established Institute for Anglican Ministry take up its role of providing lay theological education. Although the IAM is targeted largely at the Diocese of Rupert’s Land, we have seen demand for its programs from neighbouring dioceses and from the United States.

Through the generosity of our supporters, we have seen the amount of scholarship support paid annually to college students almost double in the last five years. We have also seen the launch of our $2 million capital campaign, with $700 thousand in donations and pledges having been received to date. I have had the opportunity to meet hundreds of Johnians in over a dozen cities in Canada.

The physical environment at St John’s College has had significant changes over the past five years, most notably with the air conditioning of our offices and classrooms last summer. We also have our beautiful new patio, picture windows and exterior door in the café.

And we are all five years older. As you can see from the picture in this issue, my daughter Madeleine has grown from a grade 5 student in 1997 to a young woman about to enter high school. Her older brother, Brian, (above), is now a dad and yes, that means that I am now a grandmother!

I have very much enjoyed the past five years and I look forward to continuing to work with the St John’s College community to build on our many successes.
GRADUATE DINNER
2002
Congratulations to two professors who were made Professors Emeritus by the University of Manitoba:

John Wortley, an Honorary Fellow of St John’s, is a Byzantine historian, specializing in the study of saints’ lives and writings. He has also served as an Anglican priest in the Diocese of Rupert’s Land;

St John’s Fellow Francis Carroll whose major fields are the history of the United States and Ireland, taught history from 1969 to 1998. His book, A Good and Wise Measure: The Struggle for the Canadian-American Border 1783-1842, was also awarded the John Wesley Dafoe Book Prize for its contribution to the understanding of Canada and its place in the world.

David Arnason (English & Icelandic Studies) has been nominated for the Stephen Leacock Medal for Humour for his book King Jerry.

Research Fellow David Ebert (pictured below with Norm Cameron on the right) was awarded a Graduate Student Teaching Excellence award by the Faculty of Arts for his valuable contribution to the Department of Anthropology, the Faculty, and to his students. He was also re-appointed as a Research Fellow by the College for the coming year.

“Where are the guys?”
**Norm Cameron** (Economics) was honoured at the Students’ Teacher Recognition Reception sponsored by the University of Manitoba Students’ Union and University Teaching Services. The event allows 23 graduating students, selected by their faculties, to thank a university professor and also a K to 12 teacher who had made the most impact on their lives.

**Jack Bumsted** (History) won the Mary Scorer Award for best book by a Manitoba Publisher, the Illustrated History of the University of Manitoba by the U of M Press.

After 25 years at the University of Manitoba, **Lance Roberts** (Sociology) was presented with a long service award.

**George Baldwin** (Chemistry) has been elected Dean of Studies of St John’s College for the next three years.

Visiting Fellow **Johannes Wolfart** (Religion) was elected a Senior Fellow of the College. He has just published Religion, Government and Political Culture in Early Modern Germany: Lindau, 1520–1628.

Visiting Fellows **Mhari Mackintosh** (English) and **Brian Swail** (English) were re-appointed as was Junior Fellow **Brenda Cantelo** (Religion).

St John’s College welcomes several new Visiting Fellows for one year appointments: **Sharon Alward** (School of Art); **Gerry Friesen** (History); **Adele Perry** (History) who has also just published a book, entitled: On the Edge of Empire: Gender, Race and the Making of British Columbia 1849–1871; **Marcela Austudillo** (Economics); and, **Alexander Mendez** (Sociology).

Best wishes in their future endeavours to Visiting Fellow **Karen Clavelle** (English); Junior Fellows **Len Kuffert** (History) and **Derek Oliver** (Electrical/Computer Engineering); and Research Fellow **Andrea McIntosh** (Anthropology).

**Maureen Kolodie** of the Development Office (seated on right), who is President of Intervention Manitoba Inc, attended the proclamation of Deaf Blind Awareness week by the Hon. **Tim Sale**, Manitoba Minister Responsible for Persons with Disabilities. (Tim is also a minister in the Anglican Diocese of Rupert’s Land and father of Christopher ’92 and Patricia ’96).

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**The Chapel Community at St John’s**

The College Chapel of St. John the Evangelist participates in University life on many levels. It is a beautiful and versatile space, used by a wide variety of people and groups ranging from music performance to “just being quiet”. The Chapel and its community facilitate a broad spectrum of Anglican, Ecumenical, and Multi-faith worship experiences. It is a safe environment for any person, or group, of good will to exercise religious and spiritual discipline.

The Anglican Community of the Chapel worships regularly as follows:

- **Morning Prayer** – Monday through Thursday at 9:00 a.m.
- **Midday Prayer** – Monday, Tuesday and Thursday at noon
- **Midweek Eucharist** – Wednesday at noon
- **Sunday Eucharist** – 4:00 p.m.

Evensong is sung on the first Sunday of the month from October to June at 7:00 p.m. **All The Kings Men** is our featured choir.

The Chaplain’s office is open Sunday through Thursday each week. The Chaplain prefers to meet by appointment, and may be contacted in the following ways:

**THE REVEREND GEOFF WOODCROFT,**

92 Dysart Rd, Winnipeg MB R3T 2M5
Phone: (204) 474-8363, woodcrof@cc.umanitoba.ca
April 27, 2002, was a chance to celebrate many occasions.

The Friends of St John’s College was re-launched as an organization of alumni and friends. Members will be encouraged to join in College events. About 40 people attended a general meeting, conducted by College Council member Jim Ripley ’76, to establish a constitution and by-law. The Executive includes: Ted Poulter ’58 (President), Gloria Ferguson, Joan McConnell ’78, Tracy Kozar ’96 and Kristin Farlinger ’94. If there are events you would like to see happen or would like to attend, please contact any of these people through the College, or directly to dmclean@ms.umanitoba.ca.

After that, 150 people attended the launch of Laurie Wilmot’s memoirs of his experiences as Warden of St John’s College from 1950 – 1961, The St John’s College Story, A Documentary. Laurie autographed copies of the book and spoke of its contents. Many family and friends were there, especially from the era when the College was on Broadway, before the move out to the Fort Garry campus.

The date was chosen because it was also Laurie’s 95th birthday. It also happened to be the 15th birthday of Maddie Hoskins (daughter of Warden Janet Hoskins). It was a great event.

Copies of the book are available for $15 plus $5 for shipping. They may be obtained by calling the College at 204-474-8531 or emailing stjohns_college@umanitoba.ca.
HONOUR ROLL OF PLANNED GIFTS

Many thanks to the following who have made a provision for St John’s in their will or through life insurance or an annuity:

James ’55 and Bev Allan
    Ellen Basler ’71
    Bill Battershill ’51
Rae (Browne-Wilkinson) Bonner ’37
    Roy Bowkett ’66 & ’67
    Alice Cheatley ’64
    Nancy (Bole) Cullen ’62
    Marjorie Dance ’47
    John Deacon ’63
    Keith Eastwood
    Diane Guilford
    Miriam Hutton
    Elena Ivanitskaia
Ruth (Wells) Goring Johnston ’34
    Walter Jones ’51
    Derek McLean
    Orde Morton ’61
    Sadie Nelson ’35
    Susanne (Sleigh) Palmer ’70
    Barbara Black Peden ’64
    William Pickering
    Eva Rogers
    Doug Rowland ’61
    George Sigurdson ’70
    Y. Christine Smith
    Beatrice Walker
    Marjorie (Webster) Ward
    Anthony Waterman ’62
    Laurie Wilmot ’31
    Eleven Anonymous Donors

If you would like to know more about how to make a planned gift to the College, including possible phrases for your lawyer to use in your will, please contact Derek.

Upcoming College Events for Alumni and Friends

For more information call 204-474-8531

- UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA HOMECOMING - College reception at 2:30 pm & Chapel Service at 4:00 pm with The Revd Canon John Caird ’77 preaching on Sunday, September 22.

- 136TH COLLEGE CONVOCATION - Sunday, November 3rd, 2002. 11:30 am Service of Commemoration and Benefactors, 12:30 pm Alumni luncheon, 3:00 pm Convocation. Art Braid is to be made an Honorary Fellow and will give the Convocation address, and Bishop Jim Njegovan ’75 and Dean Jack Greenhalgh ’60 are to receive honorary Doctor of Divinity degrees. All are welcome to attend.

- ADVENT LESSONS AND CAROL SERVICE - Wednesday, December 4, 3:00 pm, College Chapel.


Development Officer’s Notes

By Derek McLean

You will have received by now a letter outlining a Challenge to increase donations with matching funds being provided by alumni Rob Richards ’65. Rob will match any donation to the new St John’s College Lecture Theatre, in the period from September 1 to November 30, 2002, that is a total increase over an individual’s donations made to St John’s College in the year 2001, up to a total of $25,000! This is a very generous offer and we hope you will respond accordingly. Thank you Rob and thank you to all our donors!
The daughter of Norman Middleton (BA, LTh '36), Fran Moen, dropped by the College in June with her husband, in preparation for her dad’s 90th birthday in July in Colorado. We had lost track of Norman, who was Senior Stick in 1934–35. It was fun to catch up as we went through old yearbooks and the Willis scrapbooks, looking for references to him that could be photocopied.

Congratulations to (Archdeacon) Keith McKean (BA, LTh) and his wife Violet, of Toronto, who celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary in September, 2002. Keith originally came to St John’s to study when it was on Broadway, after holding a management position at Silverwood Dairies for 12 years. He retired as Honorary Assistant at Grace Church on-the-Hill in Toronto after a 40-year career in the Anglican Church. As the Church newsletter succinctly put it: “Never one to draw attention to himself, he made his presence known by simply being here.”

Congratulations to Bill Harshaw who has written a book entitled My Second Life. It is a compelling story about his battle with Parkinson’s disease and other aspects of his life including his wife Esther’s (Clark) ‘66 struggle with Multiple Sclerosis.

We heard from Bill Malcolm (BA, LLB ’69): “I recently received the April issue of the newsletter, which I must say, I look forward to. I have been with Legal Aid Manitoba for 25 years as of July 1: 21 of them as Supervising Attorney of the Criminal Law office. I was recently promoted to a senior management position as Director of Policy & Planning and designated as General Counsel.”

Blessings and best wishes to Jim Njegovan (BA, MDiv ’78), husband of Bernadette (Clarkson) ’78, father of Jessica ’00, and brother of Bogden ’76, who was consecrated as the Bishop of the Diocese of Brandon in February, 2002. It was a beautiful service and flowers were given in memory of Father Jack Gibbons and Father Jim Setter, both of whom were former chaplains and graduates of St John’s.

Congratulations to Anne (Calderwood) Wowchuk (BA Political Studies) who was married May 4, 2002 to Mark, a graduate of St Andrew’s College. She wrote: “The wedding took place at St Alban’s Anglican Church. My Dad (The Revd Robert Calderwood) presided at the Mass while The Ven Donna Ball ’90 presided at the Marriage. It was a small wedding with close friends and family. Mark is an Industrial Mechanic and yes, I am still continuing on with the RCMP. I have nine more years and I can retire. We will be living in Winnipeg for a few more years anyway. Mark has a son, Adam who is nine, so I am also a part-time Mom which is fine with me.”

Terri Miller (BHEc) and Mike Stewart ’92 (BSc – Mechanical Engineering) welcome new son Parker, born September, 2001 in Calgary, a brother for Everett age 3.

Best wishes to Stan (BA, BEd ’94) and Paula Jasper-Hall (BA ’92, BEd ’94) who
had a baby boy, MacKinley Carter Hall, on January 10, 2002, in Winnipeg.

'91 Congratulations to Tracey Keryluk (BA Hons) who, along with her colleagues at the University’s UMinfo Web Team, received The Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education Gold Award in the Best Institutional Homepage category.

'92 Sheila Gill (BA Advanced, English) wrote from Toronto where she is a PhD candidate at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE): “Baby Aaron was born Feb 18, 2002. Rudy and I are really enjoying this new phase of our lives! I'm home full time for a while, especially since we have no grandparents handy to help out.”

'92 Léo Lejeune (BES) emailed from Calgary. In December 1999, he and his partner Sylvia quit their jobs and spent the year 2000 travelling around the world together. They got engaged in Thailand, and headed home to Calgary to be married on July 14, 2001. Fellow Johnian Natasha Halpin '95 (BFA) was one of his groom’s ‘men’. Léo is currently working as an architectural designer for Stantec Architecture and Sylvia is a Stage Manager with Theatre Calgary.

'97 & '98 Congratulations to Brad (BSA ‘97) and Jennifer (Williams) Pinkerton (BN ‘98) who had a baby boy, Graham Bradley on April 14, 2002. A nephew for Lori Williams ‘01. The Pinkertons live in Niverville, Manitoba.

'99 Michel (Olson) (B Comm Hons, Marketing) and Mike McClymont announce the arrival of Ethan Michael, May 6, 2002 in Winnipeg. First grandson for former Registrar Diane Guilford and nephew for Tania Olson ‘99, who is expecting in August.

1990’s We heard from Mei Mei Shum who was in Residence in 1990–91 and 94–96. “Wow, it seems like such a long time since my St John’s days. I have many fond memories. In my mind I can walk through the halls and remember where everyone lived. I left St John’s to continue my architectural studies in London, England and graduated from the Architectural Association in 1997. I came to the New York area in 1998 and continued working as an architect in Manhattan ever since.” Mei Mei is hoping to reconnect with Sandi Knight ’94 of Cranbrook and Tom Skomorowski ’91. (Ed note: We’ve ‘lost’ Tom, so if you know where he is, please let us know.)

'01 Helen (Orosz) Konrad and her husband Wesley are pleased to welcome their new son, Edward Wesley Orosz Konrad, born March 19, 2002, in Winnipeg.

'02 Congratulations to new graduate Vasili Mattheos (B Environment Design) who has been accepted to the Masters Program of the Faculty of Architecture of Harvard University. Vasili was one of the Leaders of Tomorrow scholarship recipients in 1998 and has received several St John’s awards since then.
The College was sad to learn that Malcolm (Mac) M. Thomson (BA) passed away March 21, 2002, in Ottawa. He is survived by his wife Genevieve (Mathieson) Thomson '37. After graduation, Malcolm joined the Dominion Observatory of Canada where he had a long career as an astronomer with the Time Service and later with the Time and Frequency Division at the National Research Council. On retirement Malcolm wrote the book, The Beginning of the Long Dash: A History of Timekeeping in Canada. Throughout his life, Malcolm enjoyed many outdoor activities including the Canadian Ski Marathon where he was the oldest skier in 1993 at age 85. He shared his talents with numerous community organizations. The Thomsons attended the 1998 Broadway and Before Reunion. Mac was one of four known living St John’s graduates of the 1920’s.

Aubrey Holmes passed away in White Rock, BC on April 18, 2002. “Aub” was the brother of the late Noel Holmes ’34. It appears from our records that Aub was at the College throughout most of the 1930’s and usually associated with hockey. He married Youla Clark ’35 who predeceased him. He taught briefly at the College school in the 1940’s and elsewhere, before working for the Department of Indian Affairs in Edmonton. Pat Bishop, widow of the late Charles Bishop ’36, summed him up best when she said: “He was a great guy”.

Colonel Maurice ‘Mo’ Carter, MC, CD, died March 28, 2002 in Pincher Creek, Alberta, at the age of 80. He was a graduate of St John’s College School in 1938.

Anne (Park) Lawson died April 2, 2002, in Winnipeg, at age 80. She had attended the College in 1939-40 and was listed in the 1940 Johnian as the first year representative on the SJC Women’s Association. Anne was the sister of the late John Park ’38, the late Charles, Bob ’48 (and wife Lisa [Betty Ison] ’49), Jeanne (Park) Robertson and Mary Latimer. Her nephew Ian Park is the College Food Services Manager.

Alex Morphy (LTh) passed away in Lexington, Kentucky, February 20, 2002. He had been in poor health for several years. He is survived by his former wife, Dorothy (Stocker) Morphy of Niagara Falls, Ontario. Alex was the donor of the prestigious James Frost Cross Trophy, one of the highest awards that St John’s College gives out to its students. A memorial service was held in May in Meaford, Ontario where Alex and Dorothy had lived for five years. Ernie Mutimer ’49 noted that he and Alex were at the College school together at the beginning of WWII.

We were sorry to learn of the passing of Jim Blewett (BA, ’62 Certificate of Education, ’68 B.Ed), July 14, 2002, age 65, in Porter’s Lake, Nova Scotia. Jim was the husband of Margaret (Fraser), brother of John ’69 and cousin of David ’62. Jim was on Broadway for two years, helped in the move to Fort Garry, and was there for two years, where he met Margaret. They spent four years in Emerson, then moved to the Northwest Territories in 1965. Jim was in Education, remaining in the north until 1982 when they moved to Halifax for his job with the Hay Group. The family have decided to create a prize at the college in Jim’s memory.

Martin Maurer died in Winnipeg, age 59, on March 26, 2002. He was at St John’s from 1960 to 62 and also attended St John’s Ravenscourt.

Peter Ramsay (BA 63, LLB 67), passed away May 14, 2002. A lawyer with Pothlado Buchwald Asper, he was active in the community with the Chamber of Commerce, Ducks Unlimited, Knox United Church, Junior Achievement and the St Charles Country Club. While at St John’s he was Vice-Stick. Brian Hilton ’64 wrote: “He was very active at the College and in the DU [Delta Upsilon] fraternity. He played on our hockey team, and was an active and regular bridge player in the common room.” He was previously married to Heather [Hunter] Kimball ’67. He leaves his wife Gameth and three children.
1970's  Condolences to Mark Duncan '73, whose father, retired fellow Chester Duncan, died in Winnipeg on March 31, 2002, at the age of 88 after a stroke. He was a professor of English, declared a Professor Emeritus and was a fellow of the College in the 1970's. Chester was also a composer, writer and critic. “He combined the work of the academic, the public intellectual and the arts supporter in a way that is rarely done,” fellow David Arnason was quoted as saying in the Winnipeg Free Press.

'89  Christine (Fish) Diotte, BA, (Geography) was killed tragically in Banff, Alberta, March 12, 2002. A constable with the RCMP since 1996, Christine was checking on a traffic accident when another car lost control and struck and killed her. Christine was in Residence from 1985–87. Her former husband was Michael Oberpichler '87. Eric Seidritz '85 wrote: “... she visited with us just after she graduated and was so very proud of her achievement and her new badge. She will be sadly missed.” She leaves her husband Mario and two stepdaughters.

Friend - Lucy MacNaughton passed away in January, 2002 in Winnipeg. She was confirmed by Archbishop Barfoot in 1956 and used to stay in Residence each spring when the Rupert's Land Retreat Association arranged retreats for women of the Diocese.

Our condolences go to Maryel Andison ’68 of Winnipeg and former husband Rod MacKenzie on the death of their son Rod in Winnipeg on June 15, 2002. Maryel gave this tribute at the interment and we asked her permission to print it as a lovely reminder to all of us:

RODERICK ANDREW MACKENZIE

Dear Rod:

In this life, the utmost joy for a woman is to give birth to a child. The greatest sorrow is the death of a child.

The birth of a child changes our lives dramatically. The death of a child changes us irrevocably.

As parents, we have a responsibility to teach our children as they grow up. Rod taught me just how much more I had to learn.

While I supplied a roof over his head, he helped me make it into a home, a place of welcome, comfort and refuge.

Whereas I put food on the table, he taught me to savour every bite and enjoy the company around the table.

While I paid for clothing, he taught me about style and individuality.

While I helped him to learn how to read and ride a bike, he taught me to listen, to cheer and above all, to laugh.

While I taught him manners and deportment, he taught me about composure and charm.

I encouraged him to speak out; he taught me how to use tact and diplomacy.

As much as children need a parent’s protection, Rod taught me how to let go.

Yes, I am, as all of us, are irrevocably changed by Rod’s untimely death.

However, all of us are much better people for having shared the past 26 years with this intelligent, charming and vibrant young man.

Rod, you are our favourite son and brother. Your family adores you and your indomitable spirit will remain with us forever.

I brought you into this world and I loved you. Now, it is time for me to say farewell.

With all my love

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Send us your email!

We’d like to contact more of our alumni and friends electronically. You can help. Please send your email to Derek McLean at dmclean@ms.umanitoba.ca. And while you’re at it, send us an update of what you’re doing and the friends from the College whom you keep in touch with.

Corrections

“The April edition arrived recently, and as always, I looked for familiar names or faces. On page 12, the [hockey] photo includes my brother, wrongly identified as CS Park. He was Charles A Park, but would have been known as Beau and also “Moon” in his St John’s Days. His father, the Ven Archdeacon Robert E Park, was also a Johnian (DD ’50), as were Beau’s brothers, Bob ’48 and John ’38, as well as myself and my late sister Anne Lawson. As you may know, Ian Park [head of College Food Services] is Bob’s son, so the connection continues. Regards, Jeanne (Park) Robertson.”

Editor’s note: our apologies for getting this incorrect.

Attention To Detail Department

OOPS. Our apologies for getting the wrong years for some grads: Lynn (Small) Pate really graduated in ’63 and Jennifer (Clarke) Haywood in ’85, not as listed in the last In Lumine. And Kathryn Young ’91, Bill Malcolm ’66 and Peter and Anne-Marie Kains ’62 should have been listed as donors. Our thanks for pointing out these errors.