

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE



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> **ST JOHN'S COLLEGE** University of Manitoba 92 Dysart Road Winnipeg, MB R3T 2M5

In Thy Light Shall we See Light

Message from the Warden - Christopher G. Trott, Ph.D.



Stirling Walkes '64, receives 50 yr J-Pin from Christopher Trott at Convocation Lunch

St. John's College is such a welcoming place for students to learn, socialize, and feel at home." ~Rebecca Kummen SJC Student This spring I was privileged to attend the Emerging Leaders Dinner sponsored by Student Life at the University of Manitoba. At this event the University acknowledges the top 75 student leaders as nominated by their Faculties. It turned out that 14 (18 %) of the students were members of St John's College, and the College itself had not nominated any students. Clearly, we are punching way above our weight! I then invited these students to lunch, and we had a marvellous and exciting discussion. Indeed, I could hardly get a word in. Surely this is what being a College is all about; the opportunity to meet, talk with, and work with people from a variety of disciplines in order to broaden each of our horizons. As we sat together the students made plans to help each other and work together. One student who needed help in statistical analysis found another student who specializes in that kind of work. Connecting and collaboration are what St John's is all about! It would not be possible for St John's College to provide a caring and supportive community without your help! Thank you for your support!

Scholarships & Bursaries



SJC Student Association Award presented to Stuart Maddocks by Martina Sawatzky, Senior Stick,

St John's College continues to provide valuable support to our students through annual bursaries and scholarships. This past year nearly \$90,000 was awarded through 97 scholarships and bursaries to members of the St John's College community. We have over \$3.25M invested in scholarships and bursaries and over the past several years we've been receiving 10.6% on the investments. Approximately 4 percent is awarded annually.

"I am honored to receive the Class of '63 Scholarship. It has been of tremendous help to me as it has contributed to paying my tuition. It removed much of the financial burden so that I can focus on my education. Thank you for this wonderful opportunity." ~ Alero Tenumah SJC Student

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Chaplaincy

Our Chaplain, Allison Chubb, has certainly been very busy! Developing relationships with both Residence and Day students can be a bit of a challenge but relationships are being built with meditation groups, a dinner liturgy, study group, and Bible and Breakfast. Last Fall Allison and the student council went on a retreat to Camp Arnes where they developed leadership skills and worked on team building. Some of you may remember the retreats you attended. These create an avenue to foster trust and accountability as well as building future leaders!

If I could only use one word to describe St John's College, the word would be "family".

~ Wilson Wu '14

"Having a chaplaincy at SJC has allowed me to grow in my faith and really delve into why it is that I am a Christian and what I stand for. Allison has created a space for students, where we can ask honest questions about ourselves and our faith and have conversations where we can work towards discovering answers. Having a chaplaincy at SJC has allowed me to put my faith into action. It has allowed me to practice charity and understanding by focusing on social justice issues, such as feeding the hungry who come to Agape Table. I learned this year that it is not only important to have conversations about Christianity so that we better understand our faith, but that it is also an important aspect of our faith to reach out and help those who need our help locally and globally."

-Elsa Kaka, SJC international student



Stephanie Leong at the SJC Student Council Retreat

I believe the individual interactions created by the chaplain contributes to the strong social integration that exists in St. John's."

-Acqueline Masvikani



The Chapel is one of the few places on campus set aside for stillness and quiet meditation.

Convocation 2014!



The Friends of the College Convocation Luncheon

On Nov 2, 2014 we had a wonderful time with Johnians receiving their J-Pins, celebrating with graduates, scholarship/bursary winners, and honorary degree recipients. Everyone enjoyed the wonderful lunch and the joyful atmosphere as we shared in their accomplishments! Wilson Wu `14 shared his personal story on ``What St John's Means to Me".

It's Because of Your Support that:

- close to \$90,000 in scholarships and bursaries are awarded to members of the SJC community!
- a dinner at Ronald McDonald House was provided for families of children undergoing treatment at Children's Hospital!
- free room and board to Grade 11 students from northern reserves!
- upgrades to the Residence were made!
- the College welcomed over 200 first year students!
- the College corridor and floors were renovated!

"Along with the joys of being enrolled in medicine comes the very significant and stressful financial burden. I cannot express enough how much receiving this Bursary has helped make my dream of becoming a physician a reality. I wish to express my gratitude to all those who help make these awards possible."

~ Shayne Reitmeier, SJC Student

Lunch & Lively Conversation continues

The **Lunch & Lively Conversations** continues to be a great event bringing Alumni and friends together. We hold three events over the year in the months of September, February, and April and have a presentation given by current and Retired Fellows of the College, on a variety of topics.



Alex Colville Print "French Cross" purchased through a special Art Fund project by the Fellows & staff.



Alumni are invited to join us at the College on Beautification Day to care for the gardens.



"We attend this event because the college is important to us. Many of the good memories we have took place at the college all those years ago. We certainly don't live in the past but those are still great memories. We see people there that we haven't seen for over 50 years and it is great fun to re-acquaint. The talk by the various Fellows is always varied and we think interesting."

~ Lynn Pate '63

Lunch with the Warden: Emerging Leaders

Chris Trott held a special lunch for the SJC students who won the Emerging Leaders Award through the University of Manitoba. It was a great time to hear from the Graduate studies students and the various research topics. Everything from creating synthetic serums to the latest research in bio systems engineering. There's no doubt about it. St John's College has some great students! Also, our undergraduate students are looking to make their careers in mathematics, engineering and economics.



Back row L to R: Osinachi Akaluka, Christian Okwudiwa, Ahmad Byagowi, Chris Trott, Mohamed Ouf Front Row L to R: Ifeanyi Nwachukwu, Viridiana Ramirez and Shan Jin

University of Manitoba acknowledged 75 students at the Emerging Leaders dinner - 18% where SJC members!

"St John's College represents 3% of all the university enrollment!"

SJC Emerging Leaders Graduate Students

Mohamed Ouf Engineering, Ph.D. Candidate Viridiana Urena Ramirez Science, Master's Candidate Ifeanyi Nwachukwu Agr & Food Sciences, Ph.D. Candidate Ahmad Byagowi Engineering, Ph.D Candidate

Undergraduate Students

Idunnu Adeojo, Science Sylvester Akpan, Science Monica Cyr, Agri and Food Sciences Biobelemoye Irabor, Science Shan Jin, Asper School of Business Christian Okwudiwa, Arts Ella Thomson, Engineering

Osinachi Akaluka, Science Constance Amadi, Nursing Janelle Manson-Dixon, Arts Sophia Schreckenbach, Science



Students from Health Career Quest Summer Camp

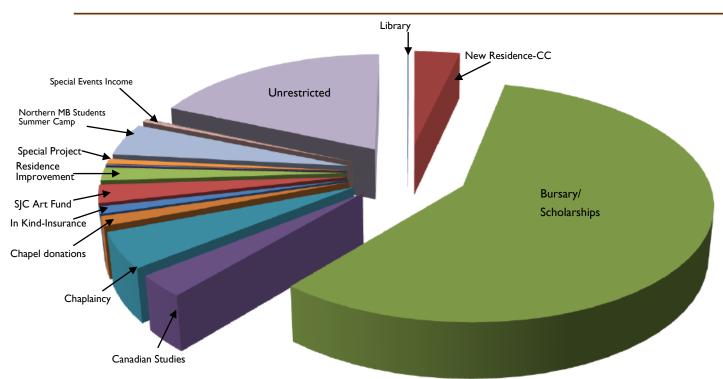
"Thank you very much for your support of Children **Rising Mentorship Program!** It makes such a big difference to have a space we feel so welcomed in and the food is always delicious too! I look forward to working with St John's College again!"

~Lindsay Woolar and Susie Taylor Service-Learning Coordinator

Health Career Quest Summer Camp is a two-week camp designed to provide opportunities for Grade 11 Aboriginal students from Northern Manitoba looking seriously at a career in the health care profession. Through a donation from Heathbridge Capital Management Ltd and private donors, St John's College was able to provide meals and accommodation for 15 students and their group leaders. The camp participants take part in daily experiences in a variety of health profession including Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Nursing, and Medical Rehabilitation. They enjoyed the safe and caring community of St John's and the experience of living in residence!

The Children Rising Mentorship Program is an innovative crosscultural learning exchange and mentorship partnership with youth from Skownan First Nation. They learn about Anishinaabe culture through traditional ceremonies, crafts, teachings, and games, while mentoring other participants. They meet several times a year with student from Skownan First Nation and here at the College. They are paired up and maintain a connection throughout the school year.





	Academic \$120	Art Fund \$5,668.68
Thanks to our donors	Bursary/Scholarship \$93,163.96	Canadian Studies \$4,900
support and generosity	Chaplaincy Endowment \$8,076	Chapel Donations \$2,126.50
\$161,850 was raised	In Kind/Insurance Premiums \$1,610.78	New Residence CC \$4,066.60
to further various needs	Residence Improvements \$2,989.11	Library \$150
at the College!	Marjorie Ward Lectures \$100	Special Project Senior Common Room \$1,140
	Northern MB Student Summer Camp \$7,300	Special Events Income \$680
	Theology Endowment \$50	Unrestricted \$29,709.03

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The Development Office is dedicated to inspiring Johnians and friends to participate in promoting and funding the College. Through a program of communication and engagement the College is promoted as a safe, caring, small yet vibrant community.

We would love to hear from you! Please feel free to contact us.

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