

DEVELOPMENT OFFICE ANNUAL REPORT
to
DONORS

For the fiscal Year: 1st April, 2011 to 31st March, 2012



MATRICULATION AND INSTALLATION
September 2011:
Welcoming new Fellows, Staff and Students

Building a Community - The Difference YOU have made!

While St John's College is deeply integrated into the University of Manitoba, what makes us distinctive is our ability to enrich our community through lectures and conferences, financial support for our students, College gatherings, and the life of our Chapel community. We are able to do all this through the generous gifts of our donors like yourselves who believe in and support the mission of the College. This brief report gives you an idea of the funds we received and how they have been used. Thank you to those who have given generously to the College, and may we continue building the vitality of our community together.

- Christopher Trott, Warden and Vice-Chancellor

FACTS AND FIGURES

- Together we raised close to \$275,000 in the 2011/2012 fiscal year
- Our endowment fund remains strong with a 4% growth over the past year
- Over \$81,000 was available in scholarships and bursaries to College members
- St John's College has a proud tradition of at least 16 Rhodes Scholars
- St John's College remains a vital part of the University of Manitoba

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

The College continues to provide valuable support to the students through the scholarships and bursaries awarded on an annual basis. Five new awards were approved by Scholarship Committee and Assembly during this fiscal year. Scholarships for Mathematics, Geography, English/History, and a graduate scholarship in History plus a bursary for Theology were implemented this past fiscal year.

Scholarships and bursaries are important to our students. Not only is it an honour for students to be recognized for their hard work and commitment but scholarships and bursaries allow them to concentrate on their studies instead of how to pay the bills. This past year 74 scholarships and bursaries were awarded to Members of the St John's College community.

LEGACY GIVING

Two of these Scholarships were established through a bequest. Several individuals expressed their enduring support for the College by including SJC

in their Will. In total \$134,297.12 was received through estate giving for the fiscal year.

Planning your Legacy giving to the College, a gift large or small, will ensure your College continues to be a small, caring community for students, faculty and staff.

RESIDENCE IMPROVEMENT

“I really enjoyed my time here at St John’s and have lived in the residence for a total of three years. St John’s is truly a great place to meet people from all over Canada and the world. With St John’s being one of the smaller residences it is easy to get involved and there is definitely a sense of community”. Nicole Wruth, ‘11

Our number one priority was to renovate the Female Washroom on the second floor. With your help we turned

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The residence continues to be a home away from home for close to 100 students. As well as sharing their meals together, students can enjoy a variety of events such as Coffee House Talent Night, co-carting, movie nights and of course the term banquets. Life-long friendships are made in a supportive and caring environment.

CHAPEL AND CHAPLAINCY

The Chapel continues to be a place of worship and celebration with a growing congregation. In addition to Sunday services at 10.30am there is noon time worship during the week.

This year our Chaplain, Dr. John Stafford tried something new – Bible and Breakfast. Starting at 9am once a month on Saturday mornings a group of individuals would meet to explore the bible in more detail. After morning prayers and a very filling buffet breakfast the topic was laid open with the lively discussion being led by John. The next Bible and Breakfast will be held in September and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information visit our website: http://umanitoba.ca/colleges/st_johns/ and click on the Theology link.

With donations to the endowed Chaplaincy Fund we are able to ensure the Chaplain remains at the core of our community helping students, staff and Fellows to grow in grace.

COLLEGE EVENTS ORGANIZED BY THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Dedication of the Christus Rex: Although the Chapel was completed in 1959 the architects had envisioned a figure of the glorified Christ affixed to the large Cross suspended from the Chapel roof. Thanks to the generosity of a friend of the College a Christus Rex was commissioned and installed at the end of April 2011. On Sunday, 1st May the work was dedicated at a Eucharist.

Farewell dinner for Janet Hoskins, Warden and Vice-Chancellor: A dinner to celebrate the accomplishments of Janet's 14 year tenure at the helm of the College was held on the 18th May.

Homecoming Chapel reception: Homecoming week culminated for us with a Chapel Service on Sunday, 18th September with a reception following worship.

Friends of St John's College Luncheon at Convocation: Just over 100 people attended this annual luncheon held prior to Convocation on the 6th November, 2011. Harley Shepherd gave the *What St John's Means to Me* speech, and the Reverend Robert English received his J-Pin. Reverend English graduated 55 years ago!



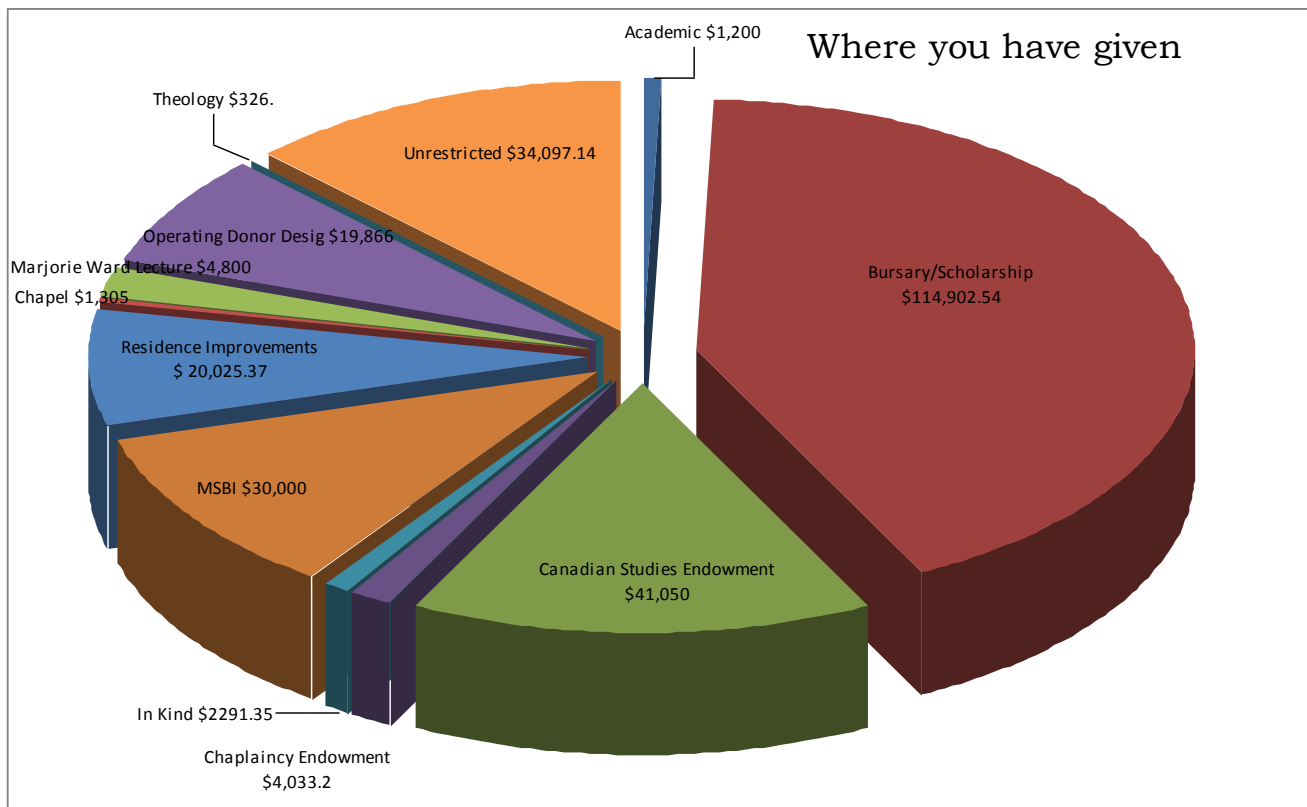
Dr. Halden was the winner by one vote

Curry cook-off: On Thursday, 15th March, 2012 Dr. Chris Trott, Warden and Vice-Chancellor of St John's College and Dr. Norman Halden, Dean of the Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources, faced off in a battle of the curries to raise funds for the newly established William Norton Scholarship in Geography.

Bach Birthday: A tribute to Professor Lawrence Ritchey: Dean of Residence, Sean Taubner on the Cello and UofM organist, Lottie Enns-Braun, performed a programme of Bach’s music – fugue and cello suite for approximately 50 people on the 22nd March, 2012. A reception followed in the Cross Common Room with a powerpoint presentation comprised of photos of Lawrence from his time at the College.

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Breakdown of fund designation: What you wanted us to do with your gifts



Operating Donor Designation: Donors designated their gifts to the Christus Rex, the Galleria Art Project and the Senior Common Room.

If you would like more information please contact the Jackie in the Development Office

*“So, if you are looking for a great place to study, make friends and be surrounded by a welcoming atmosphere St John’s College is the place to be.”* Nicole Wruth, ‘11



Graduation Dinner and Dance 2012

*THANK YOU - with your help  
the College continues to be a  
small caring community!*