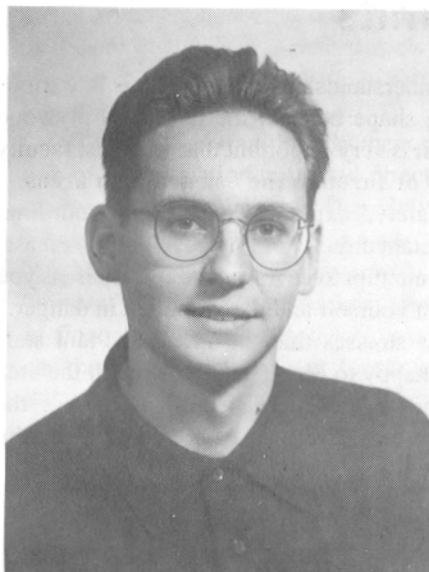


Outgoing UWSA President Another Success Story



Arlan Gates leaves the UWSA next month and heads off to Cambridge University in the fall.

Arlan Gates, who ends his term in May as president of The University of Winnipeg Students' Association, is off to Cambridge University in the fall. Gates has been awarded the prestigious British Chevening Scholarship to cover the full cost of his graduate studies in international relations at Cambridge's Trinity College.

No stranger to success, Gates won the University's Sir William Stephenson Scholarship in 1994 and was a finalist for both the Rhodes Scholarship and Canada Memorial Fellowship. He has also achieved much during his tenure as UWSA president.

"It's difficult to talk of single accomplishments, but if I had to cite one thing that has served students really well, it would be the Student Employment Centre," he

says. Since it opened in February, student interest in the centre has far exceeded expectations. Gates explains that not only does the centre list every posted job in Winnipeg, it provides counselling and training on job search techniques to ensure students enter the job market "armed with the right stuff."

When he took office, Gates' key objective was to raise awareness of the students' association and increase consultation with a broader range of students. On this front, he believes the UWSA made important gains in 1995-96. Initiatives like attaching bulletins to the *Unitergramme* and organizing a forum on the new three-term system kept students informed and aware that their representatives were working for them.

True to his word, Gates also hired UWSA "ambassadors" who conducted weekly surveys on campus, providing a channel for feedback. "We were very responsive to students' concerns. As a result, more students contacted the UWSA offices this year than ever before."

And while he says there's more he wishes he could do, he's ready to pass

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A Salute to Volunteers

Volunteer Week, Apr. 21-27, is designated to salute volunteers for their worthwhile contributions to society. Many faculty and staff members at The University of Winnipeg are dedicated volunteers who give generously of their time.

Susan Prentice, the Margaret Laurence Chair in Women's Studies, says part of her mandate is to do community outreach work: "One of my job requirements is to build 'bridges' between academia and the community."

Prentice says her work focuses on social change. She does a lot of public speaking about women's issues, child care and public policy. Her organizational activities include arranging conferences and fund raising.

Another enthusiastic volunteer is Carol Halko, operations auditor in the President's Office and manager of the Bookstore. She has canvassed for the Canadian Diabetes Association, the Canadian Cancer Society and the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Manitoba. As well, she has audited the books for her local school and for the Alumni Association.

Halko also volunteers at the Charleswood Mennonite Church, "I look on this work as part of being a member of the congregation," she says.

Ken Krebs of Technical Support Services is a committed volunteer too. He has been involved with the Boy Scouts of Canada for 21 years. At first he worked directly with the scouts, but presently is involved in adult training. Krebs has volunteered at both provincial and national jamborees and served a three-year term as assistant provincial commissioner for northwest Winnipeg. "There are times when I'm involved three or four evenings a week," Krebs says.

In addition, since 1987 Krebs and his wife have been involved with the local chapter of "Compassionate Friends," a

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COMING EVENTS

"Coming Events" is compiled by University Relations. Planning a campus event? Please let us know. Send **written** information to Lois Cherney, University Relations, 10 days in advance of the event. Basic details are required: what, when, where, sponsor, price of admission (if any) and the name of a contact person.

FRI., APR. 26

• Psychologist Bruce Overmier from the University of Minnesota will present **Stress Really Does Cause Ulcers** at 3:30 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall. For information, contact Jim Clark at 786-9313.

SAT., APR. 27

• **15th Annual Prairie Undergraduate Psychology Conference**—The Department of Psychology will host undergraduates from univer-

sities in Manitoba, Saskatchewan, North Dakota and Minnesota who will present research on the third floor of Manitoba Hall beginning at 9 a.m. At 2 p.m. in Room 3C01, guest speaker Bruce Overmier will present "From the Laboratory to the Clinic." Contact Jim Clark at 786-9313.

MON., APR. 29

• **Board of Regents** meets at 5:30 p.m. in the north half of Riddell Hall.

Riddell Hall Cafeteria Closing

Riddell Hall Cafeteria will be closed for regular service from Sun., Apr. 28 until the fall. This will allow work to be carried out that is associated with the development of the student centre. However, the Centennial Hall Buffetaria and Tony's Canteen will remain open.

in edition will feature a complete summer schedule for university food services next week.

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group for parents who have lost children.

History Professor Vic Batzel has been an active member of the Windsors Community Club for many years. "After I registered my kids to play soccer I received a phone call. Basically they said if I didn't coach, my kids couldn't play. I had never seen a soccer game, but figured it couldn't be that much different from hockey," he laughs.

That was in 1974 and he's still involved. He has served as president of the City Youth Soccer Association, president of the Manitoba Soccer Association, and board member of the Canadian Soccer Association. In addition to his volunteer work at the community club, he canvasses for the Salvation Army.

Thank you to all those who make time in their busy lives to serve the community.

• Lectures begin in Spring Term.

FRI., MAY 3

• **Tribute Roast to Carl Ridd**, hosted by University of Winnipeg Alumni Association in Riddell Cafeteria beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased through the University Relations Office, 4th floor Wesley Hall. 786-9122.

TUES., MAY 7 THROUGH SAT., MAY 11

• **Dream Quest: An International Conference on Talent Development**—Sponsored by the Agassiz and Lord Selkirk School Divisions and the University's Bachelor of Education Program, the conference will explore new avenues in enrichment programs for gifted students. For information, call Marion Tetrault, 786-9142. To register, call 475-8296.

Danger: Construction Site Off Limits

Although it is understandable that everyone is curious about what is taking shape beneath the tarps and plywood around Riddell Hall, it is very important that students, faculty and staff **not go into or through the construction areas.**

"It's a matter of safety," explains Construction Coordinator John Mainer (assistant director of Physical Plant). "Please, above all else, do not attempt to go through these areas, as you would be putting both yourself and the workmen in danger."

However, Mainer stresses that the Physical Plant staff would be more than happy to escort groups through the area and answer your questions. To arrange for a tour of the construction site, please call Norm Loat (786-9223) or John Mainer (786-9835).

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on the torch to UWSA president-elect Susan Kushneryk. Small wonder, given that he started a job with the Manitoba Chamber of Commerce in January that has now become full-time.

He looks forward to attending Cambridge to resume his studies. "Academic work provides a very different kind of satisfaction than administrative work. Academic work is more focused. Administration seems, at times, like one big distraction."

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