

## Phones and Bones Keep Veteran Secretary Hopping

Linda Gladstone, secretary of the History Department for the past 22 years, was used to fielding strange phone calls from the media. "They ask questions like 'How did St. Patrick's Day originate?'" she says.

Two years ago she took on the added responsibility of the Anthropology Department. Now she fields even stranger phone calls from people who declare, "I have these bones; I want to talk to somebody about these bones I dug up." "The first time it happened, I said 'WHAT?'" she recalls.

Ensnared in a sunny office in the History hallway on the third floor of Ashdown Hall, Gladstone actually sees little of the Anthropology faculty whose offices and mailboxes are located elsewhere on campus.

The History Department takes up most of her time. "The senior faculty members tease me about being the secretary who has stayed the longest in the department," she

reveals. "I tell them that I know what side my bread is buttered on."

When she first began working for the department in 1976, she was armed with an old IBM Selectric typewriter ... without correction tape. "During my first five years, I must have used a gallon of white-out," she asserts.

Back then, she would type manuscripts and theses for various faculty members in

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*Linda Gladstone has experienced dramatic technological changes and fielded a lot of unusual phone calls in her 22 years on the job.*

## Van With a Mission

The Security Services mobile patrol van has had a successful—and sometimes exciting—first year in operation.

The van's primary purpose is to provide safe transportation for members of the University community in the evenings. But when it was launched last September, it was also touted as a way to increase public safety in the downtown area it patrols.

Dawn Prystenski, a security guard who took an hour-and-a-half turn behind the wheel every night, provides a shining example of how the initiative has met its community service mandate.

On March 12, Prystenski was heading southbound on Maryland near Sargent, when she noticed smoke billowing from a house. After radioing the security office and asking them to call 911 (fire crews had already been dispatched, and arrived within minutes), she ran toward the burning building and helped a mother and her children evacuate the house. When the young girl told Prystenski that her dog was still trapped upstairs, Prystenski relayed that information to fire crews, who rescued the dog. Because she's a trained fire fighter, Prystenski also helped unload and unkink fire hoses before turning her attention to crowd control.

"I just moved people out of the way. I fight fires [in St. Adolphe], so I know what a pain bystanders can be," Prystenski explains.

The fire wasn't the first or last incident Prystenski encountered on patrol. She also tells stories of car fires and domestic disputes, and the time she used the van's blinding spotlight to foil an individual's escape from the police.

The mobile security van will continue to operate throughout Spring Term, although Prystenski won't be behind the wheel. She's recently become a senior guard, which will keep her on campus.



## Phones & Bones

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her spare time to earn extra money ("Thank goodness I had a typewriter with a self-correcting ribbon at home!"). Her after-hours typing led to the inclusion of her name in some of the books published by university faculty. Adds Gladstone, "Some of them have even given me books, which is nice."

Switching from the typewriter to her first computer in 1988 was a historic event. "I was terrified of this new technology, but it has made my job so much easier," she reveals.

The arrival of the department's own Xerox machine was another historic event. "Before, when we wanted to copy something, we had to walk over to the Dean's Office to do it," she recalls. "A lot of time was lost standing in a line-up because the machine was used by all Arts and Science staff and faculty."

Technology may have changed, but human nature hasn't. Gladstone still has to nudge her colleagues into action when deadlines for exams, activity reports, the department handbook, and course outlines are looming. "I often take the initiative in the first steps leading up to deadlines," she notes.

Gladstone takes pride in working with "such accomplished historians," including the 1996 Canadian Professor of the Year and a U.S. presidential candidate. "They've been an excellent group to work for—lots of laughs," she says.

She particularly enjoys working with Department Chair and Art Curator Sarah McKinnon. "I remember walking down Portage Avenue with Sarah back in 1979 or so, and she was talking about ideas she had regarding a gallery at the U of W," she recalls. By 1986, the gallery was a reality.

The students are one of the best parts of her job. "I like the contact with students, especially the History Students' Association members," she says. "Sometimes I have to act as a counsellor when I get upset students in my office or on the phone because they have missed a deadline or got an exam date mixed up."

With a husband, two married daughters, and four grandchildren, Gladstone is just as busy at home as she is at the office. Her pastimes include crafts, baking, serving as social convenor of a mobile home park, summer weekends at the lake, listening to country music and TNN, and visiting with her grandchildren.

*April 22 is Secretaries Day, which recognizes the talent and dedication of secretaries.*

### Only a Few Issues Left

There are only a few issues of *in edition* left before we stop publishing for the summer months, and space is very limited in these issues. If you have news for the campus community or an event you'd like to publicize, please contact the editor, Lois Cherney, at 786-9134 **before Tues., Apr. 21.**

## Call for Nominations

Nominations are currently being sought for the Robin H. Farquhar Award for Excellence in Contributing to Self-Governance, to be presented at the Spring Convocation.

The Farquhar Award is given annually to a full-time employee who has assumed a leadership role in those activities which contribute to the University's autonomy. Consideration is given to the candidate's willingness to assume leadership in self-governance, the amount of effort expended above and beyond assigned duties, the quality of effort required and the degree of demonstrable success and the value of the contribution to the University. Nomination forms are available through the University Secretariat.

Please submit nominations **by Thurs., Apr. 30** to Chancellor Carol Shields, c/o Jeri Breckman, University Secretariat.

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## Faculty of Theology Partners With Aboriginal Community

The University's Faculty of Theology has teamed up with the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre, an Aboriginal learning centre for ministry, on a number of projects. "We are working with the Aboriginal community, defining needs and problems and providing a welcome to the University," says Ray Whitehead, Dean of Theology.

This year, for the first time, the Faculty of Theology is teaching its Urban Ministry course from an Aboriginal perspective. Offered in conjunction with the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre, the course explores holistic views of healing and wellness in the urban context.

The course is led by University of Winnipeg alumnus Stan McKay, head of the Spiritual Care Department at the Health Sciences Centre and former Moderator of the United Church of Canada, and Janet Silman, co-director of the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre. It combines classroom time with site visits to various urban Aboriginal projects, such as the North End Community Ministry and Flora House.

The course is the first step toward establishing a joint educational program for urban Aboriginal ministry that contributes to "urban wellness" by training spiritual care workers for prisons and hospitals. The certificate program, which is tentatively titled "Aboriginal Urban Wellness: Practice and Education for Spiritual Care," will be a joint venture of the Faculty of Theology, the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre, and the Health Sciences Centre.

"We think this program could have a major impact on creating a sense of wellbeing in Winnipeg's Aboriginal community," asserts Whitehead. "If we deal with prisoners, patients, and their families, we would be dealing with about eighty per cent of the Aboriginal community in Winnipeg."



*Ray Whitehead hopes the Faculty of Theology's work with the Aboriginal community will benefit the entire University.*

The new program will reflect recent changes in the spiritual care field. For instance, spiritual care workers now deal with the families of prisoners and patients, as well as the prisoners and patients themselves. This approach puts prisoners and patients into a wider context.

This more inclusive approach also extends to language. Individuals who assist prisoners and patients with spiritual concerns used to be called chaplains, which connotes a trained ordained minister. The term chaplaincy has been replaced by the broader term spiritual care, which recognizes the value of Native elders as spiritual caregivers.

This will be the Faculty of Theology's second joint program with the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre. In 1995 the two institutions founded a program leading to a Bachelor of Theology with a specialization in Native ministry.

"I think the Bachelor of Theology program has a direct benefit for certain Aboriginal leaders because the degree provides credibility for those people working in urban areas," observes Whitehead, adding that the program also provides institutional credibility. "When The University of Winnipeg grants this degree, it affirms the education program of the Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre, which follows a Native learning style."

The Faculty of Theology's work with the Aboriginal community may have benefits for other parts of the University. Whitehead hopes the bridges built by his faculty will assist the Education program's new focus on the training of teachers for urban, core-area schools. In addition, Aboriginal students who pursue one of Theology's certificate programs may gain the confidence to tackle the University's degree programs.

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## UWSA Election Results

University of Winnipeg Students' Association 1998 elections were held in March. A total of 522 students—about 8.29 per cent of the student body—voted. The following will make up the 1998-99 UWSA executive:

President .....	Clarissa Lagartera
Vice-President Advocate .....	Margaret Bryans
Vice-President Student Services .....	Matt Henderson
Part-time/Mature Students Director .....	Marina Sklaveniti
Adaptive Services Director .....	Gladiola Kehler
Arts Director .....	Chad Samain
Canadian Federation of Students Liaison .	Micheal Tutthill
Community Liaisons .	Daniele Behn-Smith/Noelle DePape
Education Directors .....	Karlen Peters/Cynthia Remedios
Environmental Ethics Director .....	Susan Kennedy
International Students Director .....	Esi Wilmont
LGB Director .....	Cam Bush
Recreation/Athletics Director .....	Colin Murray
Science Director .....	Jonathan Syms
Status of Womyn Directors .....	Kimberly Nichols/ Lydia Kubrakovich

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## Management Program Heads North

People in northern Manitoba now have the opportunity to take university level management training without leaving home. About six months ago the Keewatin Community College (KCC) asked The University of Winnipeg's Division of Continuing Education to present the Management Studies Certificate Program in The Pas and Thompson. The first seminar was given in Thompson in January.

Doug Lauvstad, the acting director of student services and acting registrar at KCC, says there is a genuine need to provide northerners with university level management training.

Because of the co-operative arrangement between KCC and the University, those interested in obtaining certification will be given credit for completed courses taken either in The Pas, Thompson or Winnipeg. Specialized courses given by the Keewatin School of Management are also approved for credit.

Not only will the people in northern Manitoba gain from the experience, the partnership is also beneficial to the University. Kim Loeb, Program Director of Management Studies, says, "As the infrastructure is already there, it is a low cost way to expand our network beyond Winnipeg."

Loeb adds, "We are sharing courses, instructors and procedures. Also we are using our valued resources. For example, it provides more work for our instructors. The people up north are very excited about it."

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## New Computer Courses Garner Great Response

Since Continuing Education's Computer Division advertised five new certificate and diploma programs in early January, the response has been phenomenal. "The phones have been ringing off the hook," says Bev Geenen, program director.

The developments in computer technology and demand for qualified people—and the insistent recommendations from students and technology professionals—led Continuing Education to develop the recognized programs.

The programs were launched in January with the *Web Developer Program*, which deals with developing, installing and maintaining a web site on the Internet. The program began with two courses, "WWW Design" in January and "Programming in Java" this spring. Additional courses are planned for next fall.

Geenen says calls concerning the planned *Certificate Program in Network and Database Administration* have been pouring in, while the *Diploma Programming & Systems Development* is "strong and running this semester."

Two other programs were launched last year. "The *Certificate in Desktop Publishing and Graphics* serves a different clientele," Geenen comments, noting it is directed at those concerned with using professional, high-powered publishing software. Computer users are guided through a broad spectrum of applications, she explains, "all bundled into Microsoft Office or Corel Suite" in The *Certificate in Office Productivity Software* program.

After intensive planning, Geenen says Continuing Education couldn't be more pleased with the response to its new programs: "We did it!"

## Negotiations Update

As of April 8, this is an update on the status of contract negotiations with various bargaining units at The University of Winnipeg:

UWFA: On Fri., Apr. 3, the membership of UWFA voted 91.5 per cent in favour of ratifying a four-year contract. The contract is effective retroactive to Apr. 1, 1997.

AESES: Negotiations are continuing.

IOUE: Negotiations are continuing.

UWFA Collegiate: Negotiations are continuing.

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## Volunteer—and Make International Connections

Norah Shaw is one of 85 people who have responded to ads in The University of Winnipeg's Continuing Education Newsletters. The advertisements were looking for volunteers to work as language partners with students in the English as a Second Language (ESL) program. This regular, informal practice of conversational English outside of the classroom is crucial to the students, and can be a very rewarding experience for volunteers.

Since moving to Winnipeg from Toronto last fall, Shaw has helped two young women from Korea in their effort to learn English. Shaw met 21-year-old Ji-Young Park in August. Ji Young, a university student majoring in journalism, decided to come to Winnipeg to learn English and then to return to Korea to take her final semester. Although Shaw worked with her for only a few months, Ji-Young became more than just a pupil. She was warmly welcomed into the Shaw family, visiting frequently for a meal or to watch a movie, and her 22nd birthday was a family affair at a local restaurant.

Although Ji-Young left Winnipeg in mid-January, Shaw still thinks about her. "She left for Montreal just before the ice storm and I was concerned about her. Then she was to stop in Texas before going on to Korea. If I don't hear from her soon, I'll phone Korea to make sure she's alright."

Twenty-three-year-old Ju-Young Jeong, began working with Shaw in January. She had completed her third year of computer engineering, and came to Winnipeg after reading a book on Canada. She chose Winnipeg because she thought it was more reasonable to live here cost-wise. Also she liked the fact that there aren't as many people in Winnipeg as there are in other cities like Toronto or Vancouver.

Ju Young has also been welcomed into the Shaw family. "Often she comes over during the week and we may make tea and watch a movie," Shaw says. "Ju-Young likes to window-shop and we have been to other places like the Art Gallery

and The Forks," she adds.

Shaw's daughter Sarah, who attends The University of Winnipeg, is only a few years younger than Ju-Young. Recently, they made a threesome to go out for a meal and to see the movie *Titanic*. Shaw was concerned, "I didn't know if Ju-Young would understand it, but her English is quite good. She didn't seem to have much trouble."

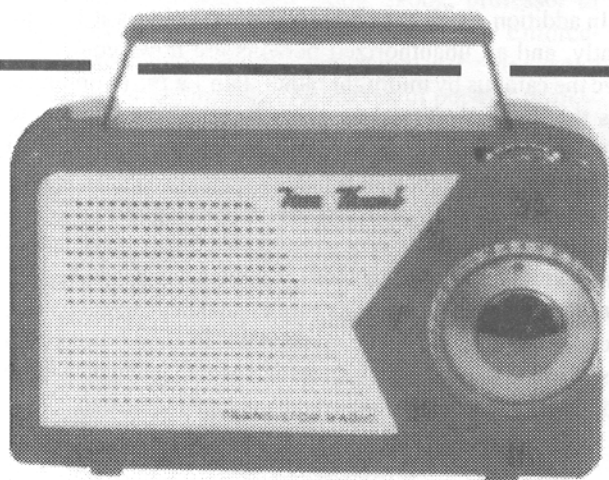
According to Shaw, helping someone learn the language and understand the terminology relating to everyday situations is very satisfying. Reading a menu, going to the bank or understanding labels on clothing can be a problem for those who have a limited knowledge of English.

The amount of time a volunteer spends with a student is flexible. According to Shaw, you can go anywhere together. The idea is more or less to be a friend and to converse in English.

Shaw finds her volunteering very rewarding. She says, "I'm enjoying the experience. Each student has been special in her own way." She sums it up this way, "It really makes me feel positive and all pumped up. You know, it's just plain fun."

If you're interested in meeting a student from Mexico, Brazil, Taiwan, Korea, Japan or another far-off land, join the Language Partner Program at Continuing Education. The Program runs throughout each term. Call Robyn at 982-1162.

Or you could welcome the world into your home. Continuing Education is looking for families interested in hosting a student—or students—from various countries. This experience gives students the opportunity to see how English-speaking Canadians live and observe firsthand the differences and the similarities in our way of life. Host families also benefit from the encounter in much the same way. A payment per student is provided for the expenses of this hospitality. Call Geri Carvelli at 982-1163.



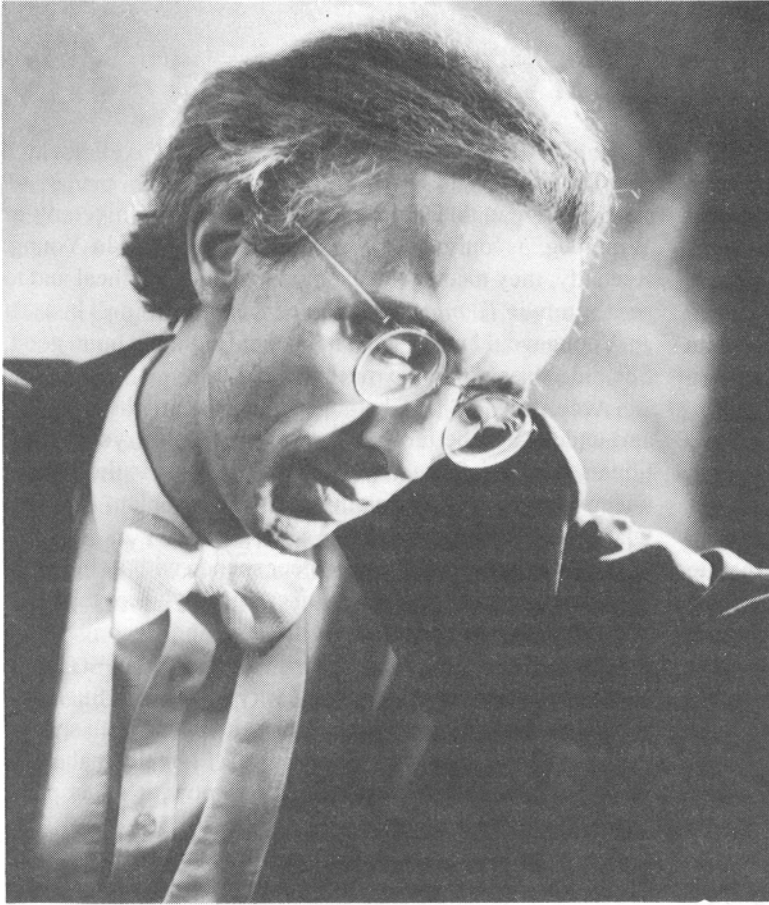
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## Virtuosi Broadcasts

If you missed the concerts—or if you were fortunate enough to attend, but want to re-live the magic—you can hear Virtuosi events broadcast on 98.3 FM-CBC.

On Thurs., April 16 at 1:05 p.m., CBC will air Maxim Philippov's Feb. 14 performance of Rachmaninov's 24 Preludes.

On Wed., May 20 at 7 p.m., the March 8 concert featuring the two pianos of Anagnoson and Kinton will be broadcast.



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*Pianist André Laplante will be joined by Manitoba Chamber Orchestra concertmaster David Stewart, violin, and the WSO's principal cellist, Arkadiusz Tesarczyk, in the Virtuosi Concerts' season finale on May 3. See Coming Events for details.*

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## Series of Restructuring Initiatives Completed Smoothly

A series of administrative and organizational changes first announced by Vice-President Graham Lane in a Dec. 3, 1997 memo have now been implemented, and have caused very few disruptions of campus services.

These include the establishment of the enhanced security and communications centre we told you about in the last issue of *in edition*, as well as several cross-departmental migrations. The first of those was the move by the purchasing staff, Brian Bater and Janice Kane, to the Controller's Office in Wesley Hall in late December. Carol Halko also joined the Controller's Office on a half-time basis, and has returned to her previous position as operations auditor for the other half of her duties. Mike Reed, meanwhile, has taken on new responsibilities as Director of Commercial Operations, and is responsible for the Bookstore and Printing Services. In the fall, he will take over responsibility for parking as well.

More recently, the receiving and mailroom functions were transferred to the Physical Plant Department. The campus community will see little change to these services, which will continue to be provided by Orval Voakes, Ed Duval and Colin Funk out of the current location in Centennial Hall. However, their responsibilities will now include

additional support to the Physical Plant Department, while others in Physical Plant will provide support to the receiving area as required.

"The series of changes was implemented to improve efficiency and enhance service to the University community," explains Associate Vice-President (Finance and Administration) Steve Coppinger. "This has been accomplished with no loss in jobs and minimal increases in costs."

In addition, as of April 5 the University closes at 11 p.m. nightly, and all unauthorized persons are now required to leave the campus by midnight rather than 1 a.m. (Coppinger adds that consideration was given to requiring persons to leave by 11 p.m., but after consultation with the UWSA, it was agreed that a midnight schedule could be accommodated.) According to Coppinger, the shorter operating hours will enhance security efforts, in particular the personal safety of individuals on campus, as well as reduce operational costs. He notes that when campus events extend beyond midnight, special arrangements can be made. Also, in cooperation with the students' association, the practice of providing a 24-hour study area during examination periods will continue.

## Aboriginal Student Encourages Youth Initiative

Ken Sanderson, a 19-year-old Aboriginal student pursuing a pre-architecture program at The University of Winnipeg, is encouraging Aboriginal youth to initiate change in their community.

Growing up in St. Boniface, Sanderson often felt alienated from the wider Aboriginal community. More recently, he has taken advantage of opportunities to connect with fellow Aboriginals to help make a difference. His psychology professor, Harry Strub, describes him as "bright, articulate, and with a clear vision of the helping role he wants to play."

The recipient of a scholarship sponsored by the Ma Mawi Wi Chi Itata Centre, Sanderson was asked to attend its annual general meeting where he overheard some board members talking about youth. "I put up my hand and gave them some ideas," he recalls. Impressed by his ideas, they asked him to join the board as youth representative.

The board later asked him to start a youth council. When Sanderson began to explore the idea, he discovered that there was already a movement afoot to establish Aboriginal Youth with Initiative, a grassroots assembly of young Aboriginal people. "I jumped in and helped with that," he says.

Sanderson is now a cultural education worker with Aboriginal Youth With Initiative, which was founded last summer. "The first part of my job is to go into a specific community and meet with the youth to get some working groups organized," he explains, adding that he has been assigned Gilbert Park, which is located around Keewatin and Inkster.

In addition to meeting youth through community centres, Parks and Recreation programs, and the Boys and Girls Clubs, Sanderson will make presentations at local schools. He will identify potential leaders and invite young people to participate in activities at certain community centres.

To brainstorm ideas about how they can deal with certain issues, he will encourage Aboriginal youth to hold sharing circles. This involves sitting in a circle and taking turns sharing their thoughts on a topic. "When it's going in a circle, the shy ones have a chance to speak," notes Sanderson.

As to his own future, Sanderson hopes to become an architect, but hasn't decided where he will pursue his professional program. In the meantime, he is juggling pre-professional studies and community work. "My schedule is very hectic," he notes.

## Dynamic Duo Make Popular Profs List

Students keep giving gold stars to Debbie Schnitzer, professor of English, and Doug Skoog, professor of sociology and coordinator of Justice and Law Enforcement. The dynamic duo have appeared in the *Maclean's Guide to Canadian Universities* list of popular professors three years in a row.

"It's gratifying to know that you get a little bit back of what you give students in the classroom," says Skoog.

Adds Schnitzer, "I just hope I'm as generous with students as they are with me."

Also found on the 1998 *Maclean's Guide* list were Sohrab Abizadeh, Neil Besner, Rod Bollman, Pauline Greenhill, Andy Lockery, Katherine Schultz, Jim Silver and Robert Young.

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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 working 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.

THURS., APR. 16

• **The Women's Auxiliary will hold its annual Spring Luncheon** in Eaton's Grill Room from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All are invited. There will be a bake sale and treasure table. Admission is \$5, and all proceeds are in aid of scholarships.

MON., APR. 20

• **University Senate** meets at 2:30 p.m. in Room 1L11.

WED., APR. 22

• **Theological Lunch Discussions** features "Theological Themes in Supervised Pastoral Education." The discussion, led by Harold King, professor of pastoral counselling at The University of Winnipeg, and Hugh Walker, pastoral counselling student, will take place from 12:30 p.m. - 1:20 p.m. in Room 2B13, 2nd floor Bryce Hall. All welcome.

THURS., APR. 23

• **Virtuosi Concerts presents acclaimed pianist Jon Kimura Parker** in solo performance at Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall at The University of Winnipeg, 8 p.m. Co-presented by the University and CBC Stereo. Tickets are \$20; \$18 for seniors/students and \$12 for children, and are available through the Virtuosi Hotline: 786-9000.

THURS., APR. 23 & FRI., APR. 24

• **Late in-person registration for Spring Term** runs from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

FRI., APR. 24 - SUN., APR. 26

• **The Manitoba Schools Science Symposium** will hold its annual event in Duckworth Centre.

MON., APR. 27

• **Spring Term commences.**  
• **Retirement & Long-Service Reception** will be held

in Riddell Hall at 3 p.m. All members of the University community are invited to come and pay tribute to our honoured guests.

• **The Faculty of Theology will hold its Grad Recognition, Service and Dinner** beginning at 5:30 p.m. at William and Catherine Booth College, 477 Webb Place. Friends and family of those graduating from Master of Sacred Theology, Master of Divinity and Certificate in Theology programs may purchase their dinner tickets (\$20) from the Theology Office in Bryce Hall until 4:30 p.m. on Mon., Apr. 20.

• **The Board of Regents** meets in Tony's Canteen at 5:30 p.m.

SUN., MAY 3

• **Virtuosi Concerts presents acclaimed pianist André Laplante** in concert with David Stewart, violin and Arkadiusz Tesarczyk, cello, at the Winnipeg Art

## Invitation to Faculty

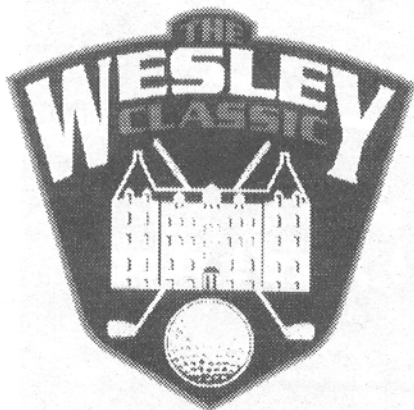
All faculty are invited to write or call Harry Strub (786-9327) with ideas for upcoming Skywalk Series lectures.

Gallery, 8 p.m. Co-presented by the University and CBC Stereo. Tickets are \$20; \$18 for seniors/students and \$12 for children, and are available through the Virtuosi Hotline: 786-9000.

THURS., MAY 14

• **Eckhardt-Gramatté Concerts** presents pianist Robert Silverman in a special all-Beethoven solo recital to celebrate his 60th birthday. The concert begins at 8 p.m. in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall, third floor of Centennial Hall. Tickets are \$15; \$13 for seniors/students, and available through the 24-hour hotline: 786-9000.

## Tee Off in the First Annual Alumni Golf Tournament



The University of Winnipeg Alumni Association invites you to tee off in its first annual golf tournament on Wed., June 24. All members of the campus community are welcome to join alumni on the links at Pine Ridge Golf and Country Club. The \$150 charge covers green fees, golf cart, dinner, prizes and surprises.

Of course, the first-ever Wesley Classic Golf Tournament is about more than good food, good golf and good fun. Proceeds from this fundraising event will bolster scholarships.

Call Lois Cherney at 786-9134 for more information or to register.