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\$2.4 Million Promised for Riddell Student Centre

A proposed student centre that will dramatically enhance services to both the University community and the community at large has moved closer to becoming a reality. The province recently committed \$2.4 million to the Riddell Project, the first \$300,000 of which appeared in the University's 1995-96 grant from the Universities Grants Commission (UGC).

According to University of Winnipeg Students' Association (UWSA) President Jim Heber, whose term ends this spring, "The centre will open up a whole new era of service provision and enhance our ability to offer cultural events accessible to the entire community. I think it will have a very positive effect on enrolment."

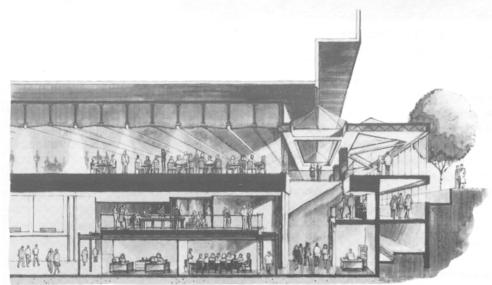
Heber notes construction of the centre will also serve to renovate "a part of the

University that has fallen into disrepair." And because it will make use of space that is currently under-utilized, it will help to address the space crisis on campus.

The new student centre will encompass, in part, the area formerly occupied by the Riddell gym. Plans include two mezzanines, a glassed atrium, a coffee bar, a multipurpose area, and UWSA offices. An Internet lounge is a newly conceived component of the centre.

The project's cost is estimated at \$3.7 million. In 1987, students began paying a mandatory levy in order to come up with their \$1.1 million share of the cost. The levy—\$3 per course—has generated \$600,000 to date. UWSA intends to take a mortgage for the remaining amount. The

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Construction will begin as early as this fall on the University's student centre.

Appreciative Skywalk Audience Grows

Intriguing lectures, exciting concerts, a great location and no admission charge—these factors help to explain the increasing popularity of the Skywalk Concert and Lecture Series, which presents noon hour sessions in the fall and the spring in Centennial Library's second floor auditorium, off the Skywalk.

Series' creator and organizer Harry Strub, a professor of psychology, says attendance has grown an average of ten per cent every session since the series' inception in 1990.

Response from that growing audience has been extremely positive: "We frequently hear how great an event was, and we're continuously asked when the next season begins," Strub beams.

The series receives funding from the Winnipeg Centennial Library, Downtown BIZ, the Music Performers Trust Fund and the Manitoba Arts Council. Strub hopes to attract more sponsorship

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Understanding Your Board of Regents

The University of Winnipeg's Board of Regents makes decisions that affect our entire community, yet many do not know how this governing body works.

The Board of Regents consists of 32 voting members. The 1967 "University of Winnipeg Establishment Regulation" sets the Board's composition as follows: 10 appointed by the provincial government; 10 appointed by the United Church of Canada; four elected from the University's Senate; two elected representatives from alumni; four elected students; the president and the chancellor.

According to Roger Kingsley, University secretary, the University has been petitioning provincial governments to increase the Board by adding one alumnus/alumna, two support staff and another academic administrator. Since the mid-70s, representatives from these categories have attended meetings as "associate members" who cannot vote.

Union representatives regularly attend Board meetings, as do several individuals who serve in an advisory capacity to the Board.

Preliminary work on an issue is done by one of the Board's standing committees: Finance; Pension; Property and Physical Planning; Human Resources; External Relations; and University Affairs. "These committees make recommendations to the Board, but have no authority to make decisions," explains Kingsley.

The Board meets monthly throughout the academic year to discuss and decide issues relating to the business affairs of the University. (The University Senate, conversely, is responsible for academic affairs, and the administration is responsible for implementing policies set by the Board and Senate, as well as for the University's day-to-day operations.) A great deal of research and deliberation are undertaken before Board decisions are reached.

An Executive Committee exists to handle urgent matters that cannot wait until a Board meeting. "The Executive Committee is a microcosm of the Board," notes Kingsley. "It exercises the power of the full Board, and has the authority to make decisions." He adds that any action taken by the Executive Committee must be reported at the next Board meeting, and is subject to review.

Board meetings are divided into open and closed sessions. Any interested party may attend the open session. "We get anywhere from one to as many as 30 visitors," notes Kingsley. However, the right to speak to the Board is limited to full and associate members and union observers.

Under special circumstances, "outsiders" may be allowed to address the Board. Individuals may receive permission to speak, or the Board may (although this is very rare) suspend the rules and allow all visitors to speak.

"The Day Care Parents' Association advised me about a week before our most recent meeting that they wished to address the Board. I consulted with the president and the chair [Robert Purves], who decided to allow the association to speak for five minutes to supplement comments in their letter to the Board," Kingsley says.

Only Board members may receive closed session materials or attend closed sessions. These deal with anything that might be the subject of a grievance, negotiable under a collective agreement, or the subject of negotiations or of contract with another body. Normally, closed sessions deal with personnel matters.

While open session packages cannot be copied for individuals because of the cost, copies are available in the library and the Dean's Office a few days prior to Board meetings. As well, Kingsley will send an agenda to anyone inside the University who asks to be placed on the mailing list.

The Board meets on the fourth Monday of every month (excluding December, July and August) at 5:30 p.m. in Riddell Hall north. For more information on the Board of Regents, contact Roger Kingsley, University secretary, at 786-9115.

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University of Winnipeg Professor Enters US Presidential Race

Bruce Daniels, a professor at The University of Winnipeg who specializes in US history, thinks a lack of courage among American Democrats has caused them to abandon their liberal traditions.

"Liberalism has drifted to the right," says Daniels, who considers himself a "middle-of-the-road" liberal. "There is a need for courage in political rhetoric. There is a need to

address the American people and say 'You can't lower taxes and lower spending and not expect that people are going to suffer.' I'd like to see more honest choices framed."

Hoping to lure Democrats back to their roots, Daniels has announced his candidacy for the Presidency of the United States of America. Although he has lived in Winnipeg since 1970, Daniels is a naturalborn American citizen (he enjoys dual citizenship) and meets all the criteria for becoming president. He will run in the Democratic primary in New Hampshirehis home state-next February. (The first in a series of primaries that determine the major parties' nominees, the New Hampshire Primary identifies the front-runner and sets the tone for subsequent primaries.)

Bruce Daniels: "There is a need for courage in political rhetoric."

He explains that while he doesn't expect to win, he wants to bring a traditional liberal agenda to the campaign debate. "My goal is to focus attention on issues. I believe other candidates may have to answer some of the things I say. If I can affect the campaign, then I think I can influence the nature of the government."

According to Daniels, Democrats have become so consumed with budgetary restraint that they have moved away from promoting the well-being of the citizenry, a role he believes is important for government. "[Deficit and debt

issues] should be kept in perspective. They should not be addressed by cutting programs that help the poor."

In addition to opposing cuts to the social safety net and middle-class tax cuts, Daniels believes clear moral leadership is required on many issues. He would like to see the president show courage in paring down the military and addressing entitlements, combatting crime and stopping

inner-city decay.

He also wants to address the health care issue: "I can speak from having lived for 25 years under a system that has its shortcomings, but addresses our needs much better than the American system." Daniels believes the Clintons failed to reform health care because their plan wasn't streamlined enough. "They had the courage to force that issue, but then they didn't have the courage to follow through with a system they believed in."

Daniels does not officially enter the race until next winter, when he must complete forms, pay \$1,000 to the New Hampshire Secretary of State and provide the names of 42 registered Democrats who would be willing to serve as his delegates at the Democratic National Convention.

He says his campaign

will not interfere with his work at the University. He will continue to teach courses and conduct research. Campaign activities will be restricted to evenings and weekends in the summer, over the Christmas break, and during spring break, which falls immediately before the New Hampshire Primary.

At the very least, he notes, his experience as a presidential candidate will supply Daniels with a wealth of material to write about and to share with future students.

Receptionist Puts Students at Ease



Jackie Wong works the front desk in the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences: "Sometimes, I wonder if I'm on 'Candid Camera.'"

This is the third article in a new in edition series, featuring staff members who consistently provide excellent service to students, faculty, staff and others. Their extra effort and positive attitude are appreciated by many on and off campus.

Two years ago, when Jackie Wong began working at the reception desk in the Office of the Dean of Arts and Science, she felt she was in unfamiliar territory. "I was brand new to the University, so I had a lot to learn in order to answer the wide range of questions and concerns students have," she explains.

Now she deals with students, faculty and staff every day and says she feels very comfortable in a university setting.

She often makes appointments for students to see academic advisors, assists them with appeal procedures, or she may direct them to someone else who can help with a problem. For instance, if a student needs specific departmental information, she will send them to see the chair of the appropriate department.

"I really enjoy dealing with the students," she says. "Listening is a big part of my job because if students are upset, they usually unload on us and we get the initial brunt of their frustration."

Wong tries to make students feel comfortable by listening to their problems and putting herself in their situation. She says, "They may be confused about what courses to take. I try to reassure them and suggest they take a seat to see an advisor."

Occasionally, a student insists on seeing an advisor right away. "I have to explain there are only two advisors and they may have to wait."

She admits that working on the front desk could be stressful, but taking things one day at a time helps. "You have bad days like anyone else, but you don't let it interfere with your job. Don't take things personally; try to be easy-going," Wong suggests.

Wong laughs, "Nothing surprises me. Anything unusual could happen—and often does. Sometimes I wonder if I'm on 'Candid Camera."



We Need Ideas!

Once again convocation is fast approaching. If you know of any members of this spring's graduating class who might make for an interesting feature article in the *Convocation Bulletin*, please let us know. Contact the editor, Lois Cherney, at 786-9134.

Basketball Stars Honoured

Two graduating basketball stars were honoured as The University of Winnipeg athletes of the year at the annual Athletic Awards Evening in Duckworth Centre on March 23.

Female athlete of the year Sandra Carroll was a key member of the history-making Wesmen women's basketball team. Carroll was named Canadian Inter-university Athletic Union (CIAU) player of the year three years straight, and is a three-time academic all-Canadian. In addition, she was named the most valuable player in the CIAU championship tournament—and every other tournament in which she played this season.

Men's basketball star Norm Froemel was recognized as the University's male athlete of the year. Froemel ended his university career by being named a first-team all-Canadian. He was the third player in the history of the Wesmen to break the 3,000-point barrier, and is the leading rebounder in Wesmen history.

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from downtown organizations. "The business community is very receptive because it brings people downtown." Strub explains that while the series was designed to appeal to those already downtown, increasingly people are making a special trip to attend.

"Cultural and entertainment activities provide heart and soul to the downtown environment. As Winnipeg's downtown University, we have a strong community outreach mandate," he says, adding that faculty members are enthusiastic about contributing. "They demonstrate a real eagerness to accept this mandate."

Strub notes that the series also raises the University's profile: "These lectures give the public a good idea of the work being done here, and they do it in a very active and accessible way." And, he adds, the Skywalk Series doesn't cost the University a penny.

University Welcomes Fundraising Professional



Pat Hardy: "I love The University of Winnipeg, and this was a good opportunity to come home."

After 20 years of parttime study, Pat Hardy came home to receive her BA at The University of Winnipeg's convocation last October. The Toronto-based fundraising executive wasn't looking for work at that time. She planned, instead, to pursue a master's program at Harvard.

But when she learned the University was looking for someone with her background, she was intrigued. Hardy joined the University Relations team as director of development in March.

"I love The University of Winnipeg, and this was a good opportunity to come home," she says.

A Certified Fund Raising Executive, Hardy began her extensive fundraising career at the age of 10, when she helped with a direct mail piece for a children's camp. More recently, she worked for the United Way of Winnipeg in public relations and then as a campaign manager in the 1980s. Following that, Hardy did market research and academic fundraising for

a consulting firm in Houston, Texas.

From 1988-92 she served as director of fund development for the Ontario division of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB), where she was instrumental in raising over \$4.6 million. She subsequently became the executive director of CNIB's national campaign, which raised \$19 million. Hardy is also the author of "Guide to District Fundraising," now used across Canada by many agencies.

Hardy now teaches fundraising seminars that cover topics from how to develop a campaign to issues of accountability and ethics.

This has taken her around the globe as a volunteer for international development programs. Most recently, she gave an intensive week-long course to the Slovak Union for the Blind in the Slovak Republic.

One of her first undertakings in University Relations was to lead the staff on a two-and-a-half day on-site analysis of the University's fundraising activities. The process allowed Hardy to learn how the department functions, identify individual areas of responsibility, and analyze the statistical data from past fundraising activities. She will use the information to develop a comprehensive fundraising plan.

According to Hardy, the challenges facing the University include developing a stewardship program to communicate with and offer recognition to donors, and over-

coming the public's resistance to financially supporting universities.

"Universities in Canada don't have a great tradition of private support, because they've always been public institutions," she explains. "With government funding being reduced, it is more difficult for universities to make their case. If the government seems to be questioning the

value of university education, it's harder for the general public to understand its importance."

She acknowledges that she is not a miracle worker, and that successful fundraising depends on the organization as a whole, but adds, "There's no reason why we can't raise in excess of \$1 million a year through a variety of initiatives."

Grant Makes Library More Accessible

A \$7,000 grant from the National Library, combined with an equal amount of University funds, will make The University of Winnipeg's library more accessible to disabled students and to the community at large.

In addition to the National Library grant, the University library and the Vice-President (Academic)'s Office kicked in \$3,500 each to purchase an array of adaptive equipment. According to the library's Allison Dixon, the equipment was chosen in consultation with the Nathan Micay Centre.

That equipment includes two large-screen monitors, CC-TV apparatus to magnify printed materials, and a Jaws synthesizer, which reads printed material aloud.

In addition, a site license for a program called Zoom Text will allow the library to install this program on all terminals in the library. "With a touch of a function key, a user will be able to magnify the computer screen," explains Dixon, who notes this technology will be valuable not only for visually-impaired students but also for the many seniors who utilize the library.

The equipment will be located in the library, and accessible to the entire University community, as well as to members of the external community. "Publicizing this new equipment is part of our agreement with the National Library, who want the community at large to be aware that the equipment is here, and that they can access it." According to Dixon, organizations like the Canadian National Institute for the Blind (CNIB) will be contacted once the equipment is in place.

Board Approves Campus Capital Development Program

The Board of Regents approved an extensive Campus Capital Development Program, containing several projects expected to be launched in the 1995-96 fiscal year.

Of the 16 projects described in the package, the Riddell Student Centre is the largest, followed by a series of moves and renovations which will bring the University closer to its long-time goal of having an integrated student services area in Graham Hall. Other smaller projects address the needs of growing programs (e.g. telecourses), the increasing student demand for computers, and pressing safety and space issues.

"The focus is on improving our facilities and services, so that we can attract and retain students," explains Steve Coppinger, associate vice-president (finance and administration). "We recognize that the University is under severe financial pressures right now, but the expenditure of funds for these projects is essential if we are to maintain our share of students in the current competitive enrolment situation."

Frank Hechter, chair of the Board's Property and Physical Planning Committee, points out that most of the projects' funding is from external sources and is designated for capital projects. He adds: "The productive use of this fundraising money will provide positive donor experiences, which will assist with future fundraising efforts."

Financing for the projects will come from the University's five-year "Strengthening the Links" capital campaign which concluded last year, a trust and endowment fund supported by annual appeal contributions, and other private donations. The University also obtained a major grant from the Universities Grants Commission for the Riddell Student Centre. A small allotment from the University's operating budget will supplement these external sources.

In its Board report, the Property and Physical Planning Committee divided the projects into three groups, depending on their readiness to move ahead. Group 1 projects will start right away, group 2 must wait for funding confirmation and group 3 will begin when policy or space issues are resolved.

Details of the largest project in group 1, the student centre, appear in another article in this *in edition*. Here is a brief summary of the other projects:

Group 1

• Integrated Student Services — The consolidation of student services has been identified as a high priority in the Futures Report, Registrarial Task Force Report and the administrative inventory. This will involve developing the mezzanine and 1st floor of Graham Hall. The first five following projects will create the necessary space.

- **Graphics**, now in the Media Department, will be relocated to Printing Services.
- Audio-Video Distribution will move from Media into the Library.
- The Writing Program will move from the mezzanine to the third floor of Graham after renovations are complete.
- Telecourses and Learning Resource Centre The telecourses program, now in the Media Department, will shift to the area formerly occupied by the Psychology nursery, which will close. A resource centre which supports the integration of new technologies into the classroom will also move into the revamped area.
- WCPI and Sociology Research Level 4 of the Centennial Hall infill will be developed for these operations, as they must also leave Graham.
- Technical Support Services/ Information Systems/ Institutional Analysis As the recent administrative inventory identified the need for additional personnel in this area, it will be expanded to the 2nd floor of Sparling. The University will no longer be able to provide office space to the Manitoba Multicultural Resources Centre.
- Central File Storage An area to store financial, personnel and research records will be developed in the basement of Graham Hall.
- Centennial Hall Escalators In order to alleviate the frequent overcrowding problems—a potential hazard—a set of stairs will be built between the two escalators.

Group 2

- **Student Computer Lab** The University plans to develop part of 4th floor Centennial (i.e. the Psych Lounge) into a 50-station open computer lab that provides student access to the Internet.
- Faculty Offices Level 5 of the Centennial Hall infill will be developed into office space.
- Board/Conference Room (2M70) Those who have temporary office space in Room 2M70 will move into the level 5 infill, once it is completed. Room 2M70 can then be returned to its original purpose as a multi-purpose conference room.



Dean John Hofley joined faculty and staff as they took on students in a wheelchair basketball game at Duckworth Centre in February. The game—and similar activities-were part of a week of events sponsored by the University's Student Council for Exceptional Children to promote awareness and understanding of individuals with special needs.

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• Paint Shop — The Fire Department closed the shop for fire/safety reasons. An approved paint shop is planned as an extension to the Physical Plant garage behind McNamara Hall.

Group 3

- Smoking Area One of the two smoking areas on campus will be eliminated with redevelopment of Riddell Hall. The smoking area in Lockhart Hall is in violation of a City of Winnipeg by-law, which states that half of an eating area must be non-smoking, and smoke from the other section must be controlled. Consequently, the University must either designate the campus as "smoke-free," or provide an appropriately ventilated smoking area in the Lockhart Buffeteria.
- Human Resources The administrative inventory indicated that amalgamating Payroll Services and Health and Safety Services with Human Resources would improve efficiency. These three departments, along with the sexual harassment office, may be housed in some redeveloped space in MacNamara Hall.

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students' association has also agreed to provide an additional \$100,000 from a special reserve account to fund computers for the centre.

The University has committed \$200,000 raised through the Capital Campaign to the project.

While this project hinges on the cooperation of the University, students and government, Heber says the University's administration should be recognized for making the project a priority. "It is the administration that has consistently and aggressively pursued the Riddell project, year after year." In particular, he credits University President Marsha Hanen for her persistence in attempting to secure government funding.

Steve Coppinger, associate vice-president (finance and administration), indicates that detailed planning for the project will start immediately, with construction for the project beginning as early as this fall. The project is expected to be completed by September of 1996.

COMING EVENTS

"Coming Events" is compiled by University Relations. If you are planning a campus event, please let us know. Send the information (in writing) to Lois Cherney, University Relations, Room 4W15. Basic details about your event are required: what, when, where, sponsor, price of admission (if any) and the name of a contact person. Submissions must be received by Apr. 26 to be included in the last issue of the academic year.

FRI., APR. 7

- Lectures close in the Faculty of Arts and Science winter session.
- Music at Noon—The Wesley Singers will sing a programme of madrigals, motets and folk songs: "Informally in the Foyer!" outside of Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall, 12:30-1:20 p.m.

WED., APR. 12 TO WED., APR. 26

- **Final Examinations** in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

THURS., APR. 13

Virtuosi Concerts—Internationally renowned violinist Martin Beaver will perform with David Moroz, piano, and Gwen Hoebig, violin, at 8 p.m. at the Winnipeg Art Gallery. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$14 for seniors/students and \$10 for children, and are available by calling 786-9000 or at the door. The concert is co-sponsored by CBC Stereo and The University of Winnipeg.

Two Issues Left!

There are only two issues of *in edition* to come in this academic year. If you have campus news or an event to promote in *in edition*, please contact Lois Cherney at 786-9134 before Thurs., Apr. 13.



Renowned violinist Martin Beaver will join Gwen Hoebig, violin, and David Moroz, piano in a Virtuosi Concert on Apr. 13. See Coming Events for details.

FRI., APR. 14

 Good Friday—University closed.

TUES., APR. 18 - THURS., APR. 27

- The Faculty of Theology offers *Explorations '95*, seminars in ministry. For more information, contact the Faculty of Theology at 786-9390.

FRI., APR. 21

- Deadline for applications for Urban Green Team funding—Sponsors are eligible to receive funding to hire young Winnipeggers (up to age 24) to work on projects, including scientific research. Projects may begin as early as May 1. For complete information and applications, or to apply for jobs, contact

Green Team Coordinator Bryan Oborne at 945-0902.

MON., APR. 24

- The Board of Regents meets at 5:30 p.m. in Riddell Hall North.
- The Manitoba Research Centre on Family Violence and Violence Against Women is sponsoring a performance of "Running Through the Devil's Club" by the Azimuth theatre company in Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall, 7-9 p.m. Following the performance, there will be a panel discussion on violence against women. Admission is free; all are welcome. Contact Wendy Josephson, 786-9263.

Investigate a Fuller Life

This spring, you can spend six Monday evenings learning to live a fuller, more balanced life.

Continuing Education's Armchair Series will present Armchair Religion: Meditation from Apr. 24 - June 5. Examine the practice of meditation and the philosophy of Oneness as taught by Kevin Harmer, an experienced instructor who has pursued intensive study with a respected Indian guru.

For more information or to register, call the Division of Continuing Education at 942-4211.

THURS., APR. 27

- Investigating Sexual Harassment Complaints will address how to maintain integrity and neutrality when investigating complaints. The last in this series, the workshop runs from 9 a.m.noon, Eckhardt-Gramatté Hall. Cost is \$25; \$15 for students/seniors. For information/to register, call Naomi Levine: 786-9161.

SAT., APR. 29

All are invited to attend the History Students' Association annual symposium, which highlights the scholastic achievements of students who have written papers of merit. This year's keynote address will be given by Senator Sharon Carstairs, who will speak on "Women Who Did It First." The symposium takes place in the Faculty and Staff Club from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.