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With the suspension of the Faculty of Theology in the past year, St John’s College has had to begin the process of rethinking what it means to be an Anglican college embedded within a secular University in the early twenty-first century. Historically, the features of Anglican colleges have included a commitment to rigorous intellectual inquiry and openness to varying expressions of faith.

This Annual Reports shows that the Fellows and students of the College continue to engage rigorous intellectual inquiry in a wide variety of fields. The section listing the publications and activities of the Fellows is only a small sampling of the work they do. The Fellows share their research with each other through the Soup and Bread lectures, informal lunchtime presentations that engage lively discussion. While we do have some fun (Lance Robert’s and Jim Dean’s presentation of an ethnography of a gun show in Phoenix and Amy Scott’s presentation on vampire graves) much of the work is cutting edge research in their chosen field. One of the great joys of being a member of a College such as St John’s is hearing presentations in fields far outside of each of our own specializations and learning about areas we can barely dream.

Our students continue to succeed. Our problem in awarding scholarships and bursaries is not a lack of applicants but too many good ones! The College now embraces students from every Faculty within the University. We have been puzzled as to why students in professional faculties, especially those on the Bannatyne Campus remain members of the College. In addition, we now have over 80 graduate students as members of the College. It turns out that the quiet inviting atmosphere of the College makes for some of the best study space on campus. We have been working with the library to extend study hours during exams and improve the use of study space in the library itself.

We continue to express the Anglican core of the College through the outreach programs we have initiated in theology. By moving theological study and discussion from the College into the parishes (St Margaret’s, All Saints, and St George’s) we are trying to engage the people in the Diocese in a different way. Theological education continues despite the fact that the Faculty of Theology is suspended and we continue to look for partners.

For many years the positions of Dean of Residence and Chaplain were combined in one person. More recently we have separated the two jobs and we now have a part-time Chaplain, the Rev. Allison Chubb. Since we have not had a Chaplain for so long, no one knew what a Chaplain was supposed to do at first. Allison’s inviting and open style has reached out to care for students of all faith traditions. She has become the trusted confidant that students need in times of crisis.

I invite all those who support the College to work with us and continue exploring what we have to offer as an Anglican college.

Christopher G. Trott, Ph.D., Warden and Vice-Chancellor
1. Introduction

The Annual Report of St John’s College provides an official record of the relevant statistics and changes of the College for the year. It captures the growth, achievements, events, and unique character of St John’s. The officer or staff member responsible for an activity has prepared each section and therefore some of the personalities of these individuals are present. In the belief that a great deal of the success of the College is attributable to the personal commitment of these people to St John’s, every effort has been made to maintain this personal perspective while, at the same time, presenting a cohesive chronicle of our activities.

2. Students

a) Enrolment as of December 2013

i) U of M Students

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It has become evident over the past few years that the College reflects the full diversity of the University of Manitoba student body. Many of the students in professional faculties began at the College as Arts or Science undergraduate students and have chosen to continue their association with the College. Bursaries and scholarships, our much coveted carrel study space, the discount at the Daily Bread Café as well as our small size and friendly and knowledgeable staff continue to attract students.

(ii) Intensive English Program Students (IEP)
IEP students living in the Residence that are not accounted for under U of M students above

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The College continues to provide a home for international students as they arrive in Winnipeg. The warm and welcoming atmosphere of the residence gives new students a firm grounding of life in Canada and prepares them for studies at the University of Manitoba.

b) Scholarships, Bursaries, Prizes and Awards

Thanks to the generous support of donors and the Manitoba Scholarships and Bursaries Initiative, St John’s College has been able to assist College members and graduates in meeting their education costs through a variety of scholarships, bursaries, and prizes. The Convocation program each year gives a full listing of our recipients but here we can only name a few:

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Award certificates were presented at the College’s Convocation on November 3, 2013. Many of the donors of the awards attended Convocation, where they had the opportunity to meet the recipients.

We are delighted to announce the establishment of the following new award:
St John’s College Residence Association Award

- The competition is open to St John’s College members who are registered in full-time studies at the University of Manitoba with a minimum GPA of 2.00
- Students who have been active on College Residence Council during the current academic year are welcome to apply. The successful candidates will have demonstrated their involvement in College life, including a number of the following: social activities, sports, student government, volunteer work, College conferences, study groups, College committees, College seminars, etc. Involvement in a community of faith may also be considered
- Students must provide a brief essay (150 – 250 words) on the topic “The Impact I have had on SJC Residence”
- Financial need may be considered but providing this information is optional
- Preference may be given to students who have not previously received the award

We are grateful to the many generous individuals and organizations who have established or supported awards at St John’s College. The awards program has also benefited from the support of the provincial government’s Manitoba Scholarships and Bursaries Incentive Fund.

c) General Recruitment

The College was present at the following recruiting events: the University of Manitoba Info Days, the University of Manitoba Head Start (formerly Parents’ Program), and the University of Manitoba’s Evening of Excellence.

d) Orientation

The College offered a 24-hour orientation event called “JumpStart”. The event was planned and run by College students in consultation with the Dean of Residence and the Registrar. The cost of JumpStart was $45.00 per person and included meals and snacks. The students participated in icebreaker sessions, bowling, a photo safari (scavenger hunt) and an information session. Five students registered for JumpStart this year. Six student leaders who offered their time and commitment to the new students contributed greatly to the success of JumpStart, which has become the flagship of student-driven events at the College. Many thanks must go to Programmer Martina Sawatzky, and the team of leaders for a job very well done.

e) Student Life

Following elections in September 2013 the St. John’s College Students’ Association had the following members:
- Senior Stick – Dion Nemez
Student Services
We sold out of our carrels this year and had a waiting list of about twenty people. We also made use of room 110 as our silent study space for those without carrels. We held get-togethers and competitions in the carrels to bolster the carrel community and relieve stress. We added something called carrel points to encourage people to come out to events.

Events
We held the following events this year, all of which were successful:

- JumpStart
- Beginning of Term BBQ
- Coffee House in support of Movember
- Rip the Strip in support of Philippines Relief
- Skyzone
- Bowling
- CancerCare Bake Sale
- Karaoke at Q Karaoke
- Monthly TV/Movie Days

Other
Iggles Advocate put out four wonderful issues this year. Our council for next year is about 75% complete.
The 2013 graduation dinner and dance was held at Bergman’s on Lombard on March 22nd, where Heather Krieger gave the Valedictory Address and Prof. Brenda Cantelo was awarded the Fellow of the Year award. The Student Council did an excellent job of planning and promoting the event. The food was fantastic, as always, and this year’s addition of a photo booth was a lot of fun.

f) Residence

Residence was at full capacity during the regular session and we had an extremely busy summer in 2013. There was a large wait list over the year and the demand for housing continues to be high on campus.

Over the course of the year we had multiple projects on the go. We completed painting and installing new flooring in each residence room. Both projects have a considerable impact on the rooms and the residents are enjoying them much more.

Shaw Cable installed their network in our building so we are now able to provide high speed internet in each room. The U of M is currently installing their Wi-Fi service allowing residents to enjoy wireless access throughout the residence.

The dons team for the 2013-14 year was Acqueline Masviken, Rhianne Rodnisky, Wilson Wu, and Nikolas Akkerman (Senior Don).

3. Academic Staff

In 2013, there were 41 Fellows, including the Warden, Dean of Studies, an Associate Dean of the Faculty of Arts, an Associate Dean of the Faculty of Environment, the Director of University 1, the Canada Research Chair in Western Canadian Social History, Canada Research Chair on Globalization and Cultural Studies, Canada Research Chair in Narrative, Community and Indigenous Cultures, The Stephen A. Jarislowsky Chair in the Modern History of the Middle East and North Africa, the Acting Coordinator of the Canadian Studies Program.

Fellows are situated in six faculties and schools of the University of Manitoba: Architecture (2), Art (1), Arts (30), Education (2), Music (1), Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources (4), and Science (1). Within the faculties, a number of departments are represented by the SJC Fellows: Architecture – Interior Design (1), Arts – Economics (1), English (5), History (11), Icelandic (1), Native Studies (2), Political Studies (2), Religion (5) and Sociology (1); Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment – Geography (5).

Thank you to Esyllt Jones, who was Acting Dean of Studies from January 1 to July 1, 2013.
This year we had four new Fellows and one new staff member join the College and one long-time Fellow, Bill Norton, retire.

A. Visiting Fellows.

**Elizabeth (Lisa) Alexandrin.** Lisa holds a PhD in Islamic Studies from McGill University (2006) and is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Religion. Her research interests include Medieval Islamic intellectual history, Sufism and Ismailism, Islamic historiography and philosophy. Most recently, Dr. Alexandrin has been investigating narratives of visionary experiences and dream interpretation in the Kubravi Sufi tradition. Her research involves translation of important medieval texts and she is proficient in many languages including Arabic, Persian and Uzbek.

**Paul Dyck** holds a PhD in English from the University of Alberta and is an Associate Professor of English and Dean of Humanities and Sciences at the Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg. His work on rare books from St. John’s College over the past decade, much of it with Dr. David Watt, has contributed to his current sabbatical project. During his time at the College, Paul has researched the bibliographical and theological concerns of George Herbert’s *Temple*, a book of poetry published in 1633.

B. Research Fellows

**Amy Scott** is a third year Doctoral Student and Sessional Instructor in the Department of Anthropology. She has been active in student organizations throughout her time at the University, serving as Co-president and Vice-President Graduate of the Anthropology Student Association. Her doctoral research focuses on bioarchaeology, specifically human skeletal growth and development. Amy is the recipient of several awards such as the Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship, a SSHRC doctoral award, and the Emoke J.E. Szathmary Graduate Fellowship in Biological Anthropology.

**Krista Walters** is a Doctoral Student in the Department of History under the supervision of Dr Adele Perry and Dr Mary Jane McCallum (History, University of Winnipeg). Krista’s dissertation looks at governmental nutrition and health education programs aimed at Indigenous communities in Northern Manitoba and the surrounding regions. Ms. Walters currently holds a UMGF and is the 2012-13 Centre for Rupert’s Land Studies Harington Fellow (U of W). She has also been awarded an Indigenous History of Tuberculosis in Manitoba 1930-1970 PhD Research Fellowship.

C. Staff

We are pleased to welcome new staff member Allison Chubb. Allison started as the half-time Chaplain at St. John’s in July and has now settled into her new office in room 223. She graduated with a Master’s of Divinity from the University of Toronto in the spring and was
ordained Deacon in Winnipeg in June. Previously she worked as an ESL teacher and a university recruiter, and is looking forward to being back in an academic setting working with both local and international students. Allison is particularly interested in exploring the spiritual and emotional needs of a diverse student body and discovering what chaplaincy needs to become for this time and place.

D. Retired Fellows

Bill Norton, a long-time member of St. John’s retired from College life this fall.

E. Fellows’ Recognition

a) Awards

Diana Brydon’s Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) was renewed from July 1, 2013-June 30, 2020. She was appointed to the International Advisory Board of the Concurrences Centre for Colonial and Postcolonial Studies, Linnaeus University, Sweden. Fall 2013; received a funded Visiting Professorship at the University of Tromsø, with the Border Aesthetics and Border Culture Research group during Week 10 of 2013 (4.03-08.03); and Visiting Research Professor, Concurrences Centre for Colonial and Postcolonial Studies, Linnaeus University, Sweden (invited, Feb to June, 2013, with support)

Agnieszka (Agnes) Pawlowska-Mainville was the recipient of the Northern Scientific Training Program (2013).

Gerry Friesen received an Honorary Life Membership in the Manitoba Social Science Teachers Association for his contributions to the study of history in provincial schools.

Amy Scott received the SSHRC CGS - Michael Smith Foreign Study Supplement.

Susie Fisher Stoesz received the following:

- Canada Research Chair in Western Canadian Social History Doctoral Scholarship
- University of Manitoba’s Drummond Fellowship.
- University of Manitoba Faculty of Graduate Studies Congress of Social Sciences and Humanities Travel Scholarship
- Faculty of Arts Graduate Student Conference Travel Award.
- Susie Fisher Stoesz has been selected as the Canadian member of Dr. Royden Loewen’s new seven-person research team, who will work towards collecting material over the next several years for a SSHRC-funded world historical study of Mennonites and the environment. This project, entitled Seven Points on Earth: Mennonites and Farm Culture in the Twentieth Century World, works to compare and contrast seven clearly defined ‘Mennonite’ farm communities and their environs in seven countries on five continents.
The promises of a microanalytical, comparative study of this nature is that it can shed light on rural society within a global context.

- $16,000 grant to conduct research in a village known as Neuberghthal, located in the center of the so-called Mennonite West Reserve in south-central Manitoba, founded in 1879 by Mennonites from Russia.

**Jade Weimer** received the Doctoral Completion award from the University of Toronto, Department of Graduate Studies

**b) Books Published**


**Enns, Herb.** Mining Location J.O. 180: Experimental Buildings at Shoal Lake. University of Texas at Austin: Center for American Architecture and Design

**Friesen, Gerry,** co-author (with six others). *Canadians and Their Pasts.* Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2013


**Waterman, Anthony.** *Paul Samuelson as Historian of Economic Thought.* (Edited, with Steven Medema, U. Colarado, Denver.) Cambridge: Cambridge University Press

**c) Articles Published**


**Brydon, R. Diana.** Desenvolvendo letramento transnacional por meio do ensino do Inglês. *Letramentos Transnacionais: Mobilizando Conhecimento Entre Brasil/Canada.* Roseanne Rocha Tavares e Diana Brydon (Orgs). Maceió: Edufal, 2013. 29-38. This article was translated from English and only exists in Portuguese).

**Dyck, Paul.** Altar, Heart, Title-Page: The Image of Holy Reading, *English Literary Renaissance* 43:3 (September 2013), pp. 542-571.


Thomas, R.S.D. Colouring isonemal fabrics with more than two colours by thick striping, *Contributions to Discrete Mathematics* 8, 38-65.


d) Grants


**McCance, Dawne.** SSHRC Aid to Research and Transfer Journals Grant for quarterly publications of Mosaic. $90,000 Sole applicant. 2012-2015

**Pawlowska-Mainville, A.** received a $200 000 grant to coordinate research and findings before the Manitoba Clean Environment Commission panel on the Keeyask Generating Station in the fall

**Peeler, Bryan.** $2000 grant from the UBC Political Science department for work on the continued relevance of reciprocity to the Law of Armed Conflict

e) Conference Presentations


A. Scott. University of Manitoba Three-Minute Thesis (3MT) Finalist (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vs0XKolg2Eo)

Stoesz, Susie Fisher. “‘My Sister, Here You no Longer Seem so Far Away’: Sustaining Affective Bonds and Building Transnational Community among Women Letter Writers of Die Mennonitische Rundschau, 1889-1920,” Canadian Committee on Migration, Ethnicity and Transnationalism Workshop, University of Winnipeg (June 26-27)


Stoesz, Susie Fisher. Conference organized with Professors Tina Chen (Chair, Department of History, University of Manitoba) and Royden Loewen (Chair, Mennonite Studies, Department of History, University of Winnipeg), hosted a three-day Winnipeg workshop for the Canadian Committee on Migration, Ethnicity and Transnationalism (CCMET).


f) Creative Works/Performance

Robert Coutts. Editor of Manitoba History

Dawne McCance. Editor of Mosaic


Robert Thomas. Editor of Philosoophia Mathematica

4. Academic Programs

Undergraduate Courses

Beginning in 2004, the College has attempted to develop a cohort of undergraduate students who make the College their academic home, and take the majority of their courses with College
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The College remains committed to promoting a variety of Arts and Science courses for students within the College because, over time, this will promote the intimacy and collegiality among students that is core to our mission as a small college in the larger institutional university.

The University 1 program allows students undertaking their first 30 credit hours to explore a wide range of courses and programs across the University. The Robert B. Schultz Lecture Theatre at St John’s College allows us to provide enough University 1 courses within the College that our students can do their entire first year programs “at home”. Not only can we offer courses in the more traditional Arts and Science fields, but we now offer courses from the Faculties of Environment, Architecture and Kinesiology and Recreation Management. With the additional resource of our older 100-seat lecture theatre (Room 118) we can also offer courses from the Music faculty.

In 2012, the College worked with St Paul’s College and University 1 to establish a Learning Community for incoming students. Building on our experience in 2013 the Learning Community maintained ARTS 1110 “Introduction to University” as its core course but left the remaining courses up to the students. The course was supplemented by workshops on exam preparation, essay writing, note taking and study skills. In addition each student was given a coaching session for discerning academic and career opportunities.

The College has worked hard in cooperation with the Faculties to arrange that each of the College Fellows can offer their upper year courses within the College building. With the new computerized class scheduling system at the University, each of the College Fellows is given priority in the College classrooms, if the rooms meet their pedagogical requirements.

Centre for Canadian Studies

In the 1970 agreement between the University and the Colleges, St John’s was to select an area of emphasis in its academic programme: the College chose Canadian Studies. Since then, as far as possible, the College has sought to elect Fellows with an interest in the area. Of the current College Fellows, 24 have maintained an active presence in the area, as evidenced by their participation in conferences and publications, a partial list of which was included previously in this report.

As the 1970 agreement is currently interpreted, the College cannot on its own teach Canadian Studies: the undergraduate program must be housed and coordinated through a Faculty of the University. Canadian Studies is therefore a program of the Faculty of Arts. As of fall 2012, the Acting Coordinator of the Canadian Studies Program is College Fellow Prof. Barry Ferguson (History). For the past few years the Canadian Studies courses have been dormant in the Faculty of Arts. However, this year the Dean of Arts approached the College with the intention of revitalizing the course and extracurricular activities in Canadian Studies.

The College continues to use its Canadian Studies endowments to promote special guest lectures and seminars, support the research of College Fellows as well as the annual Marjorie Ward Lecture.
The College has developed an extensive art collection, primarily through donations from the artists. Refinishing the lower hall in the south wing and Blake Wood Square provided an opportunity to put a much larger selection of works from the College collection on display. We were also fortunate enough to have a sketch of the original College on the Red River donated in the past year. The primary commitment is to collect contemporary Manitoba, Prairie Region, and Aboriginal art as well as works of quality from the Canadian historic period. The art collection at St John’s College is a visible collection, hung in offices, classrooms, and public areas. Most of the works in the College have been permanently installed.

The library holdings of the College have a focus on Canadian literature, history and politics in both English and French. The major collection of French-Canadian literature at the University of Manitoba is centered at St John’s College.

5. Faculty of Theology

Even though the Faculty of Theology has been suspended, St John’s College has continued to advance theological education in the Diocese of Rupert’s Land:

1) A University-level course was offered through St Margaret’s Church, accredited by Wycliffe College and supported by St John’s College on “Anglican Theology through the Creeds”. The course included four lectures open to the public. Some 9 students took the course for credit, 12 audited, and between 60 and 80 people attended the public lectures.

2) The first Wilmot Lectures in Theology were held in March of 2013. Dr. Barry Morrison spoke on “Worship as Spiritual Development”. The first lecture was held at All Saints Church, the second at St George’s (Crescentwood), and the last lecture was held at the College. About 35 people attended each lecture.

The College will continue to advance each of these projects and look for further opportunities to engage parishes in theological education.

In the Fall of 2013, College Council along with Diocesan Council established a Commission on Theological Education to examine future directions for theology in the Diocese. The Commission members consist of Ms. Kirsten Pinto-Froerer (convenor), the Rev. Jamie Howison, the Rev. Cathy Campbell, the Rev. Allison Chubb and Dr. Paul Dyck.

6. College Events

January 17, 2013. The Opening Term Reception was held in the Senior Common Room.


March 26, 2013. Graduate Student Meet and Greet, Senior Common Room. SJC has over 80 graduate student members, from a wide range of disciplines. This was an outreach event, connecting SJC Fellows and Staff with our graduate students.
Soup and Bread Series: (Our thanks to Struan Sinclair for organizing this series, and to all our guest presenters.) Lunch was provided by the Dean of Studies.

- Wednesday, January 23, Herbert Enns (Architecture): "Madly Off in All Directions: Trans-Disciplinary Teaching, Research and Practice"
- Wednesday, February 13, Bryan Peeler (Political Science): “The Persistence of Reciprocity in the Law of Armed Conflict”
- Wednesday, February 27, Adele Perry (History): “Isbister and Empire”
- Wednesday, March 6, Mary Benbow (Geography): "A Warm Day at the Zoo: Climate Change, Conservation, and Conversations"
- Wednesday, March 20, Andrew Woolford (Sociology): “Indigenous Boarding School in the US and Canada”
- Tuesday, September 24th Jim Dean and Lance Roberts—Gun Show Culture in America: Big Guns for Little Men!
- Wednesday, October 2nd Amy Scott— A Fascination with Fangs: An Archaeological Exploration of Vampire Burials in Post-medieval Poland.
- Wednesday, November 20th Paul Dyck—“Joyes Handsell”: Book as Gift in George Herbert.
- Tuesday, December 3rd Dawn McCance—Editing a Literary journal in Canada: The Mosaic Experience.

Brown Bag Lunches Series: (Our thanks to Rod Clifton for organizing this series, and to all our guest presenters.)

- Tuesday, January 15, Bill Bumstead, Programs Administrator, Neeginan Institute of Applied Technology, Winnipeg. “Aboriginal Education and Training at Neeginan Institute of Applied Technology”
- Wednesday, February 6, Shawna Dempsey. Co-Executive Director, Mentoring Artists for Women’s Art, Winnipeg: “Mentorship: Transformative Education without Bureaucracy”
- Tuesday, February 26, Nicole Goulet, Department of Religion, Research Fellow, SJC: “Studying and Teaching Religion in Secular Institutions”
- Tuesday, March 12, David Watt, Director, Institute for the Humanities, University of Manitoba. “Allusions of Grandeur”
- Thursday, March 21, Bonnie Hallman, Director, University 1, University of Manitoba: “Creating Opportunities for Success in the First Year: Evolving University 1 into a First Year Centre”
- Wednesday, October 16th Rev. Allison Chubb—So, Why a Chaplain? (Spiritual Wellness in a Public Institution).
- Wednesday, November 6th Dr. Francis Carroll—News Flash! Canadians First Victims as World War Breaks Out.
- Tuesday, November 26th Dr. Moti Shojania—Morbid Accumulation: The Economics of Slavery in Tarantino’s “Django Unchained.”
April 8, 2013. The awarding of prizes for the Student Art Competition happened at a lovely reception in the Daily Bread Café. The competition was a great success, with nearly 40 very fine submissions. The art really looked fabulous hung on the walls of the Café. Thanks to Nicole Goulet for all of her hard work, to Ian Park for providing food and beverages for the reception and helping with the art, and to our jurors.

April 10, 2013. We held the End of Term Reception

Tuesday, September 10th: St. John’s College Barbeque.

Wednesday, September 11th: Opening of Term Reception.

Sunday, September 22nd. The Great Debate. St. John’s College vs. St. Paul’s College at Hanley Hall, St. Paul’s College. The topic was “Be it resolved that the University’s sole function is that of teaching and not research,” with St. John’s College taking the affirmative position and St. Paul’s the negative.

Wednesday to Friday, September 25-27. Thin Air: The Winnipeg International Writers Festival hosted two readings in the Cross Common Room, 108 St. John’s College: Andrew Kaufman and Elisabeth de Mariaffi.

Monday, September 30th. St. Jerome’s Day, the Patron Saint of Libraries. Displays and special events were featured in the St. John’s College Library.

Wednesday, October 30th. Celebrating Excellence at St. John’s College. Based on the success of last year’s event we held another reception in the St. John’s Library to recognize the outstanding achievements of our Fellows. In addition to acknowledging new publications, this year we also included distinctions such as teaching, academic, professional and community awards. The event was jointly hosted by St. John’s College Library, the University of Manitoba Press and the College.

Wednesday, December 4th. End of term reception in the Senior Common Room.

Saturday, December 7th. Xmas Party for children and grandchildren of St. John’s Fellows, with gifts, food and a special visit from St. Nicholas.

Celebrating Research

This year we organized two opportunities for Fellows to showcase their recent research, and share their work with College members, students, and the public. The first of these was a book table display of recent publications by our Fellows during Convocation in early November. This was followed later in November by a reception co-sponsored by the St John’s College Library and the University of Manitoba Press.

Senior Common Room Legacy Project
Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Legacy Project. We could not have succeeded without the generous donations of the Fellows and matching funds from the College. Now we have a revitalized room which we can pass on to future generations.

For those of you who don’t know the institutional history, the old furniture in the Senior Common Room was of excellent quality, but in desperate need of re-upholstery and renewal. Designers told us that the couches and chairs had been custom made for the College almost forty years ago and certainly worth preserving as classic examples of mid-century modern furniture. Based on that analysis we chose fabrics from the collection of the seminal designer, Charles Eames, to maintain the integrity of the style. Some of the teak tables were also salvaged and repainted and other new pieces purchased to coordinate with the new look.

Many people contributed to the success of the project, but I would like to mention how much we appreciated the input of Herb Enns, Eyllt Jones and Jackie Markstrom.

### Matriculation

New members of the College are welcomed at our annual Matriculation ceremony, receive a College pin and sign the College membership book, which dates back to 1866. The ceremony was held on September 29, 2013.

### Convocation

The 147th Annual Convocation was held on November 3, 2013 in the College Chapel of St John the Evangelist. The Warden, Dr Christopher Trott, opened the proceedings. Prof. Aritha van Herk was given the degree of Doctor of Canon Law (honoris causa), and The Rev. Dr. John Stafford was given the degree of Doctor of Divinity (honoris causa). Prof. Aritha van Herk presented the Convocation address.

One-hundred and eighty-five College members were acknowledged as graduates of the University of Manitoba.

The afternoon Convocation was preceded by the Commemoration of Founders and Benefactors chapel service and the Friends of St John’s College Luncheon. At the luncheon, Class of ’63 alumna Jocelyn Barnard and her granddaughter Aleethia McKay (’13), gave the “What St John's College means to me” speech. Aleethia graduated with a Bachelor of Arts.

### Chapel

In July of 2013, I was hired half time by St. John’s as an interim chaplain for a two-year term with the express purpose of discerning the future direction of chaplaincy at the college. With that in mind, I spent the next few months cleaning out the chapel space, getting to know the various student services on campus, and acquainting myself with how things run at St. John’s. I have
sought to make the chapel space more used and accessible by putting up welcome signs and information pamphlets and by setting up a small area for prayer and meditation at the back. It is used by individuals, on-campus groups, and off-campus groups, in addition to my purposes as chaplain.

In August I held my first funeral in the chapel for John Moorehouse, a professor emeritus from the Bannatyne campus. I also accompanied a group of international students to Folklorama. In September I held a day for suicide awareness and began regular midday prayer services on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. I planned and led a leadership development day with the incoming student council, an event I hope to expand next year. In October I began officiating services for the choir All the King’s Men, held the first Sunday evening of every month. In November I attended a multifaith chaplaincy conference in Princeton Seminary and started a service with students at a downtown pub called “Pints & Compline.” I participated in convocation and led the Founder’s Day service that morning.

In mid-December I, in partnership with Dr. Trott and John Tanner, did a Lessons & Carols service for Advent which brought people from across campus to participate. Earlier in the month, I brought in two spiritual directors from St. Benedict’s Monastery to lead a retreat afternoon to start Advent. There was also a short inter-chaplaincy Advent liturgy held over the noon hour. I assisted in the planning of Christmas fundraisers at the college, initiating the “mitten tree” to collect warm items for Agape Table. This will need to be done differently next year, as many of the items were stolen off the tree. Over the Christmas break, I made arrangements for groups of international students to have dinner in the homes of Canadian families. Chaplaincy received a gift of $1000 from St. Benedict’s Table about this time, for the expressed purpose of developing a program budget.

In January, we began having monthly Eucharist services at the college during the regular midday prayer time. I arranged a Chinese New Year’s party with a group of Chinese students at the end of the month. In February, Sr. Elaine from St. Paul’s and I took a group of students to volunteer at Winnipeg Harvest. We also held an inter-chaplaincy service in the chapel, an international students’ visit to Festival du Voyageur, and started a small prayer and study group, “Coffee & Catechesis.”

In addition to these things, I have been writing short pieces for In Lumine and developing an online presence for engaging students via Facebook, Twitter, and my blog, The Chaplain’s Chancel. I have found that when I cannot reach students in person, I can often reach them online. This has contributed toward events planning, personal and spiritual growth, and crisis management. I am also writing a chaplaincy column for the national Anglican Church’s website, The Community. The longer I’m here and the more time I spend with students, the more they are aware of who I am and feel comfortable coming to me when they need to. While last semester I was doing almost all of the initiating, this semester students have begun to seek me out when they’re in a difficult situation. Building relationships and a sense of presence takes time, but I am encouraged with how the role is being developed. My first recommendation, however, will be for the chaplain to be placed in an office which is more readily accessible for students.
8. College Facilities

There were some renovation projects this year as we continue our efforts to renew the College facilities. Highlights include:

Main Floor Academic wing

- New floors, painted walls, acoustic tiles, new fabric seating areas
- New roof on two levels of the academic wing
- Student carrel space: Updated electrical, new paint and flooring.

Daily Bread Café Hallway

- Re-painted the tunnel connecting the college to the academic wing making it a much more inviting area.

Residence

- All residence rooms re-painted
- New flooring in all residence rooms, new mirrored closet doors
- Updated electrical in the residence
- Shaw high speed internet connections
- Updated buttery kitchen
- Updated study room
- Complete renovation of one of the residence suites.

9. Food Services

This year summer conferences, regular session board, and the Daily Bread Café all exceeded budgetary sales expectations.

The summer conferences showed the most growth, and have benefited tremendously from the repairs done to upgrade the facility.

Our residence meal service has been exceptionally well received. Feeding our residence students is a labour of love and we all benefit from this group of diverse and gifted young people, who are really a pleasure to host while they tend to their studies.

Our Catering Services have been greatly enhanced with the expansion of Amy Craddock’s role to
now include event coordinator. Amy keeps the dialog between our clients and our catering service flowing in a well-organized and friendly manner, ensuring positive outcomes for all.

10. College Library

The Library continued to be a favorite spot for students who want a quiet place to work. Cathy and Amrit and our part-time sessionals continued to give excellent, personal service to those asking for help. We acquired new study tables and chairs for the library this year and they look much better than the odd assortment of hand me down tables we had before. There are dividers on the tables and we hope that they will result in more people being able to use each table.

We had a book event in the Library when the Reverend Stephen Sharman, a St. John’s Alumnus ('78), presented a copy of his PhD thesis, _The Venerable Bede and Visions of Divine Light_ (University of Wales, Trinity St. David’s, 2013) to the Library. Father Sharman’s talk attracted over 30 listeners and he fielded questions after.

We offered later closing times at exam time in December and April. We decided to close at midnight in April instead of at 2 a.m. as we had done in the past. The numbers of late night studiers are recorded in the statistics below. Ian Park kindly provided coffee and cookies for the students.

I have prepared a brief history of the College Library. I would appreciate any corrections or additions that people might want to suggest.

St. John’s College Library History

In 1849 Bishop David Anderson (Bishop from 1849 to 1864) founded St. John’s College on the west bank of the Red River near the present location of St. John’s Cathedral. He received a grant of 700 pounds from the Society for the Propagation of Christian Knowledge (SPCK), 100 pounds of which was used for the purchase of library books. By 1855 the library held 800 books, 250 donated by friends of the College, 250 purchased with SPCK grants and the rest from Bishop Anderson’s own collection.

A Board of Trustees was established by Bishop Anderson and they decided that all books in the library would have the College “stamp, device and motto” and be available to the students, the Board members and the clergy of the diocese. The joint librarians were J.J. Clouston and Henry Budd.

In 1865, when Bishop Robert Machray arrived in Red River he revitalized the College and its library, which had been in storage in the Bishop’s residence. Once again the SPCK played a role and donated books on theology. During fund raising trips to England over the years many individuals and groups donated books to Robert Machray for the library. These included books from Cambridge University Press and from Mr. A. Macmillan of the publishing house.
Macmillan. About 400 volumes from the early collection of the College are now housed in the University of Manitoba Libraries Rare Book Room and they can be retrieved by searching in the catalogue for “St. John’s College Rare Books”.

One of the more interesting gifts that Archbishop Machray received was a collection of early English bibles from Rev. Daniel Greatorex, the vicar of St. Paul’s Whitechapel who had visited Winnipeg during a journey across Canada in 1886 and stayed at St. John’s College. We now know, thanks to the research done by Dr. Paul Dyck of Canadian Mennonite University, that one of the donated bibles is from one of the first printings of the King James Bible.

A large number of theology books were donated by the Bray Associates, a group named after Thomas Bray an 18th Century missionary who addressed the problem of the shortage of books in isolated mission fields and began the practice of sending books to support missionaries in their work. But there was little or no money to buy new books, including up to date reference works.

In 1883 the College and the library moved to a new building on the west side of Main Street. The library was housed in a room that was two stories in height with a gallery around the second level. Unfortunately, the lofty space was not adequately heated.

In 1945 the College moved to Broadway to what had been the University of Manitoba’s Music and Arts Building. The library was allotted a small space and many of the older books were put in storage in the basement where some were damaged by water from leaky pipes. The College operated a “clergy library” at this time and clergy, upon paying a $1.00 yearly fee could borrow books from a special collection developed for them.

In 1957 the College hired Arthur Millward, its first librarian with formal training. He was also a theology student and he stayed in the job until 1960 when he graduated. He later returned to the College Library where he served as librarian from 1971 to 1981. He supervised the move of the library from Broadway to the Fort Garry Campus in 1958 and began the job of properly cataloguing the collection. The University has taken over the management of the library, the acquisitions for the current collections, and the staff became employees of the University. The collection and the library have grown steadily over the years and now (2014) occupy the entire northern side of the 3rd floor in the 1958 classroom building. The Library is a favorite place to study for many students because it is a quiet comfortable space.

Sources:


Research notes by Pat Wright, former College Librarian.
Statistics

St. John's College Library - Statistics
Circulation, Reference, Turnstile
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11. Financial Overview

The 2012-2013 fiscal year ended with the following results:

Total revenues – $2,460,624
Total expenses – $2,435,740

The overall operating surplus of $24,884 consists of a surplus of $58,829 for Other Operations, and a deficit of ($33,945) for Theology.

Total assets at year end increased to $6,412,474 from the previous year of $6,029,345. This also marked the first year that Other Operations no longer has an accumulated debt, and is now in a surplus position of $12,854. This is the culmination of slowly paying off the operating costs of the capital campaign, incurred to build the Robert B. Schultz Lecture Theatre.

12. Development

The Development Office will inspire Johnians to participate in promoting and funding the College. Through an integrated programme of communication and engagement the College will be promoted as a safe, caring, small yet vibrant community.

Over the past year the Development Office has engaged in activities that support the above statement.

Alumni/donor engagement: In 2013 the Warden and Development Officer travelled to Toronto in mid-January. The Development officer continued to visit with donors and made a separate trip to Regina to meet with three Alumni.

Scholarships/Bursaries: Two scholarships were started in the 2013 year: The Class of ’63 and the Peter Aitchison Memorial Bursary. Both of these received matching MSBI funds. They will be available to students in 2014.

Bequests: In total $96,593.16 was received in bequests during the year. $50,000 of this was used to renovate the rooms in Residence. $3,000 was designated to the Wells Prize and the remainder was undesignated. A decision on the best use of these funds will be made by Council in the future.
Communications: Two issues of the College Newsletter, In Lumine, were mailed to over 3,500 alumni and friends of the College.

The total funds raised for the year are $233,935.68 This breaks down as follows:

- Bursary/Scholarship $38,417.73
- Canadian Studies $3,081.06
- Chapel $2,307.20
- Chaplaincy $6,136.58
- In-Kind $1,685.91
- Library $100.00
- MSBI $30,000.00
- Marjorie Ward Lecture $4,800.00
- New Residence $7,467.90
- Residence Improvements $63,165.15
- Special Operations $7,589.92
- Theology Endowment $36.59
- Unrestricted $69,147.64

Thank you to all our donors – Individuals, Corporate and Foundations – who have helped to make St John’s College the smaller, caring, and kinder community it is.

A special “thank you” to the Staff of St John’s College who have helped us in our endeavours over the past year, and to our Volunteers Haley Sembulak, Tanya Reimer Falk, Anderson Assuah, Emem Ukpong and Yana Temkin.
13. Governance

Assembly

Chaired by Len Kuffert (January to April) and Bryan Peeler (May to December). Assembly met five times from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013.

Actions of Assembly in 2013:

- Approved a 2.3% increase in residence rates for 2013-2014.
- Forwarded recommendations of honorary degree recipients to Council.
- Approved the changes to the terms of reference for the All Saints James Brown Bursary.
- Approved the terms of reference for the Arthur Uniacke Chipman Graduate Scholarships
- Approved the terms of reference for the Marjory Dance Bursary
- Approved the terms of reference for the George Thomas Chapman Memorial Bursary
- Approved the changes to the terms of reference for the Jack and Eva Rogers Scholarship.
- Approved the changes to the terms of reference for the St John’s College Residence Association Awards
- Approved the changes to the terms of reference for the Walter and Marilyn Jones Scholarship
- Approved the 2012-2013 operating budget.
- Elected Bryan Peeler as the Chair of Assembly for the 2013-2014 year.
- Approved the draft of 2013-2014 Assembly meeting dates.
- Approved the following Fellowships:
  Junior Fellow: Jade Weimer
  Research Fellows: Erin Millions, Agnes Pawlowska, Laura Reimer, Bryan Peeler, Susie Stoesz, Nicole Goulet, Robert Coutts and Heather Graham (Renewed for one more year).
  Amy Scott and Krista Walters (New)
  Visiting Fellows: Elizabeth (Lisa) Alexandrin, Paul Dyck, and Joseph Wiebe;
  Senior Fellows: Herb Enns and Jonathan Peyton
- Approved a list of nominations to fill the vacancies on committees of Assembly.
- Received budget summaries.
Received a report from the Awards Clerk of St John’s College re: award recipients.

Approved the changes to the Residence Constitution

Approved the motion that we bestow the Fellows Recognition award on Dr. Anthony Waterman at the November 2013 convocation

Approved the motion that all scholarship cheques from the College shall be issued at the time of Fall Convocation (the Sunday after All Saints Day) with the following exceptions:
- St John’s College Student Association Scholarships which are awarded at the spring Bar-B-Q
- Residence bursaries which are applied directly to student residence fees
- At the discretion of the Warden, when a student is in financial distress

Council

Chaired by Bernie Beare, College Council met five times from January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2013.

Actions of Council in 2013:

- Approved the Budget Parameters.
- Approved awarding Dr. John Stafford the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity (honoris causa), at the 2013 Convocation.
- Approved awarding Prof. Aritha van Herk the honorary degree of Doctor of Canon Law (honoris causa), at the 2013 Convocation.
- Received a motion to change the Residence By-Laws.
- Approved the renovation and maintenance projects as outlined by the Bursar.
- Approved the Annual Report.
- Approved the reappointment of BDO Canada as the audit firm for St John’s College for 2013-2014.
- Approved a motion that the $50,000 bequest from the estate of Ted Poulter be used towards ongoing projects in the residence.
- Authorized College administration to spend up to $50,000 for new flooring in the residence rooms.
• Approved a motion that a recommendation be made to Council that Kupca/Walker Consulting be hired to conduct a Feasibility Study of fundraising for the proposed campaign as outlined in their proposal.

• Approved a motion that a recommendation be made to Council that funds in the amount of up to $24,000 plus GST be made available to support the Feasibility Study.

• Approved a motion that the bequest of the Rev. Robert F. Brown in the amount of $43,539.05 be directed to an undesignated fund until such time as the strategic plan is adopted. At that time the bequest will be redirected to a more appropriate usage.

• Approved a motion that the recommendations made in the Feasibility Study be adopted and acted upon.

• Approved the 2012-2013 audited financial statements.
14. APPENDIX A

St John’s College Administrative and Support Staff - 2013

1. Supported entirely from University grant sources:
   a) Warden, Christopher G. Trott
   b) Registrar and Confidential Secretary to the Warden, Sherry Peters
   c) Bursar and Executive Assistant to the Warden, Ivan Froese
   d) Faculty Assistant/Awards Clerk, Diana DeFoort
   e) Receptionist, Amy Craddock
   f) Dean of Studies, Brenda Cantelo

2. Supported entirely from College sources:
   a) Dean of Theology and Chaplain, John Stafford (to July 2013)
   b) Chaplain, Allison Chubb (from August 2013)
   c) Dean of Residence, Justin Bouchard
   d) Food Services Manager, Ian Park
   e) Development Officer, Jackie Markstrom
   f) Development Coordinator, Jill Stafford
   g) Assistant Bursar, Elnora Wiebe
   h) Residence Housekeeping, Shirley Mooymian, Idalia Aalle

3. Supported entirely by the University of Manitoba libraries system:
   a) Head Librarian, Jim Blanchard
   b) Library Supervisor, Cathy Mudry
   c) Library Assistant, Amrit Chhina
15. APPENDIX B  College Fellows - As of September 2013

Senior Fellows
Sharon Alward  (School of Art)
David Arnason  (English/Icelandic)
Mary Benbow  (Environment and Geography)
Diana Brydon  (English)
Brenda Cantelo  (Religion)
Warren Cariou  (English)
Susan Close  (Interior Design)
James Dean  (Economics/International Relations)
Herb Enns  (Architecture)
Barry Ferguson  (History)
Bonnie Hallman  (Environment and Geography)
Essltyt Jones  (History)
Sandra Kouritzin  (Education)
Len Kuffert  (History)
Kurt Markstrom  (Music)
Jeff Masuda  (Environment and Geography)
Dawne McCance  (Religion)
Adele Perry  (History)
Jonathan Peyton  (Environment and Geography)
Lance Roberts  (Sociology)
Struan Sinclair  (English)
John Stafford  (Theology)
Christopher Trott  (Native Studies)
David Watt  (English)

Junior, Research, Visiting Fellows
Elizabeth (Lisa) Alexandrin  (Visiting Fellow, Religion)
Greg Bak  (Visiting Fellow, History)
Robert Coutts  (Research Fellow, History)
Anne-Marie Dooner  (Research Fellow, Education)
Jennifer Dueck  (Visiting Fellow, History)
Paul Dyck  (Visiting Fellow, English)
Nicole Goulet  (Research Fellow, Religion)
Heather Graham  (Research Fellow, History)
Fiona Macdonald  (Visiting Fellow, Political Studies)
Erin Millions  (Research Fellow, History)
Agnes Pawlowska  (Research Fellow, Native Studies)
Bryan Peeler  (Research Fellow, Political Studies)
Laura Reimer  (Research Fellow, Peace and Conflict Studies)
Amy Scott  (Research Fellow, Anthropology)
Susie Fisher Stoesz  (Research Fellow, History)
Krista Walters  (Research Fellow, History)
Jade Weimer (Junior Fellow, Religion)
Joseph Wiebe (Visiting Fellow, Religion)

**Retired Fellows**
W. George Baldwin (Chemistry)
Francis Carroll (History)
Rodney Clifton (Education)
Dennis Cooley (English)
Gerald Friesen (History)
Tom Holens (Mathematics)
Janet Hoskins (Computer Science)
Derek Hum (Economics)
John Kendle (History)
Mary Kinnear (History)
William Norton (Environment and Geography)
Peter Penner (Mathematics)
David Punter (Botany)
Robert Thomas (Mathematics)
Anthony Waterman (Economics)
Kathryn Young (History)
16. APPENDIX C

Members-at-Large on College Committees

1. The Development Committee
   Dr. Len Kuffert
   Mr. Bill Regehr
   Ms. Heather Richardson

2. The Friends of St John’s College Committee
   Ms. Joan McConnell
   Ms. Heather Richardson
   Mr. James Ripley
17. APPENDIX D

Members of St John’s College Council – As of December 2012

The Archbishop of Rupert’s Land
The Most Rev. David Ashdown

The Bishop of the Diocese of Rupert’s Land and Chancellor of St John’s College
The Rt. Rev. Donald Phillips

The Warden and Vice-Chancellor of St John’s College
Dr. Christopher G. Trott

The Bishop’s Designate
There was no Bishop’s Designate

The Chancellor of the Diocese
Prof. Art Braid

The Chair of Assembly
Dr. Len Kuffert (to June 2013)
Mr. Bryan Peeler (from July 2013)

Dean of Studies
Dr. Brenda Cantelo

The Dean of Theology/Chaplain
The Rev. Dr. John Stafford (to July 2013)

Diocesan Representatives
Mr. Bernie Beare (Chair)
Rev. Simon Blaikie
Mr. Peter Brass
Dr. June James
Dr. Bill Pope
Mr. William Regehr

Assembly Representatives
Dr. Sharon Alward
Dr. Warren Cariou
Dr. Susan Close
Dr. Dawne McCance
Dr. Len Kuffert
Ms. Susie Fisher Stoesz

Student Representative
Mr. Dion Nemez, Senior Stick
Members from amongst: graduates, former members and members of the community who are interested in SJC
Ms. Joan McConnell
Mrs. Heather Richardson
Mr. James Ripley

College Officers (non-voting)
Bursar
Mr. Ivan Froese

Registrar/Council Secretary
Ms. Sherry Peters
Development Officer
Mrs. Jackie Markstrom
Dean of Residence
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