

Message from David T. Barnard, President and Vice-Chancellor

To Students and Staff:

Today we celebrate philanthropy in all its forms. November 15, 2011 marks the 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary of National Philanthropy Day, a special day that honours the impact of people who give generously to support causes that are important to them or volunteer their time to make a difference in their community. At the University of Manitoba we pay tribute to all of our alumni and friends and the great contributions that your goodwill brings to our lives, our communities and our world.

All over the world, celebrations are being held to honour this unique day. In Manitoba, the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), Manitoba Chapter is hosting its own event, and I'd like to take a moment to acknowledge a few of our graduates who are being recognized for their commitment to our province: Dr. Frank J. Hechter (DMD/71, MSc/76, MEd/90, PhD/95) is being honoured for his work as an Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser, while Dr. Gerry Price (BSc(ME)/70, MSc/72) and Mrs. Barbara Price (BHEc/69, CertEd/70) are being honoured as Outstanding Philanthropists.

Our world is a better place thanks to those who share their good fortune with others. We are grateful to those who have enriched our community of learning, discovery and outreach. They are trailblazers, visionaries and innovators in their own right who have helped enrich the lives and ensure the success of our trailblazers, visionaries and innovators.

If you want to learn more about how philanthropy has benefitted our university, you can read about how our donors have inspired and challenged our students and researchers to invent, grow, create, thrive and embrace the unexpected at <u>http://myuminfo.umanitoba.ca/index.asp?sec=440</u>.

Sincerely, David