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BENEFIT PERFORMANCE TONIGHT ...

Gilman Leach was born on October 9, 1942 in Winnipeg, Manitoba. He attended public school in Winnipeg and it was during this time that he first developed his great enthusiasm for all sports in general and swimming in particular.

In 1957, Gil decided to become better acquainted with our southern neighbours and consequently he enrolled in Shattuck military school at Faribault Minnesota which is about sixty miles west of Minneapolis. It was here that the popular redhead began to display the dynamic and fun-loving nature which was to endear him to all those who had the privilege to make his acquaintance.

He was a member of the varsity swim team for all the four years he was at Shattuck and as well advanced from a private first class in his first year to a first lieutenant in his final. In addition to this, Gil was a member of the Drama club, was awarded the Alumnae certificate of commendation for outstanding athletic participation, and was a member of the "Crack Squad", a drill team, which won the United States National Open Championships defeating teams from West Point and Annapolis.



Gilman Leach

In 1960 Gil came "Up the Hill". In his first year he was on the executive of the freshman class, shattered all the Maritime backstroke records, played inter-residence football, hockey, waterpolo, volleyball, and basketball, and helped to continue L.B.R.'s tradition as the most exciting men's residence on campus.

In his second year in Arts, Gil won his athletic letter in swimming and was sports editor on the "Brunswickan". In addition he was a sophomore representative on the S.R.C. and a member of the social committee. Gil switched to

Business Administration in his final year at U.N.B., continued to work for the "Brunswickan".

After writing his final exams last year, Gilman returned home and enrolled at the University of Manitoba to take some extra courses. His father gave him a car and Gil commuted between Winnipeg and Kenora Ontario where his cottage was located on the weekends. It was on one of his trips to the cottage in early August that Gil met with the unfortunate accident which resulted in his untimely death.

The U.N.B. Drama Society, in co-operation with the Associated Alumnae and the U.N.B. swimming team, will hold a benefit performance tonight with all the proceeds going to the Gil Leach Memorial fund.

Tickets may be obtained from:

Dean Grant's Office -
McConnell Hall 'till 5 p.m.

Members of the U.N.B. Swimming Team

Brunswickan Office Window
- Student's Center

Mem. Hall Box Office starting
7:00 p.m.

All Tickets are Rush - \$1.00

It is the full intention of the Drama Society to fill Memorial Hall Theatre with a capacity audience of Students as no tickets will be on sale downtown to the general public.

This tragic event was a deep personal loss for his family who are a very closely knit group.

A fitting tribute to the respect and popularity of this fine gentleman has been the establishment of a scholarship in his memory at Shattuck Military School and the attempt of the U.N.B. Beavers to set up a memorial Fund to provide for an annual Gil Leach trophy to be awarded to the most valuable swimmer on the Varsity team.