

# Voice of Our Alumni

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College

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## In the beginning...

In 1970 Bob Jordan was a student nearing the end of his teacher training at Nova Scotia Teachers College. Bob had been a class rep on the Student Institute and in his last year was the Student Institute President.

Robert W. Jordan grew up in Doaktown, New Brunswick where he was active in school, church and choir. In 1968, Bob came to Truro to attend Nova Scotia Teachers College.

Although the College had existed for well over 100 years at that point, it still didn't have an alumni organization. There had been one in the early 1900's but it hadn't sur-



Bob Jordan

vived. Bob took this on as his personal goal and with the support and encouragement of a new Principal, Dr. Verl Short, the Alumni Association was formed in the fall of 1971.

Bob chaired that first meeting and became the Association's first president. It was a small group

at first, but it grew over the years with Bob as the President until 1975. For many years the membership was small, the work was shared by few and the finances were slim, but the organization lived and survived.

Today, nearly 40 years later, Bob is one of the most active and integral people in the Association and has been, without a break, for its entire existence!

Bob had another dream, one that focused on making each Alumni reunion an occasion when certain classes would be encouraged to come together to be honoured. In 1975, the first year this dream became a reality, the classes of 75, 65, 55,

## ...there was Bob!

*(Continued on page 10 - see Jordan)*

## Patience Rewarded after 40 Years

Forty-seven years ago when Carolyn Reid was a student at NSTC she went skating at the rink in Truro. There was student skating that day, so many TC students were there. Carolyn wasn't a good skater, but she wanted something to do that day so she went anyway.



Kendall "Ken" Abramson and Carolyn Reid—February 1962

As she was skating, she fell. Ken Abramson

happened to be nearby and helped Carolyn to her feet.

The next week was the TC Valentines Dance and Ken asked Carolyn to go with him. So, on Friday, February 16, 1962 Ken and Carolyn went on a date. Before long they were an item - in the 60's it was called "going steady".

They graduated in 1963 and continued to see each other until circumstances required them to go their separate ways in 1965. Carolyn went west to Alberta and Ken stayed in Nova Scotia.

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### Of Interest:

- Reunion 2009 will be held August 14-16, 2009 in Truro. Plan to attend!
- We are now online! See inside.
- Nominations sought for Secretary, Treasurer and several Area Reps. See page 27.
- New Events for Reunion 2009. See page 25.
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Prof. Tassel appears courtesy of Neil Fisher

## Alumni Profile - Earl Wallace Urquhart, '40



Earl Urquhart was born at West Bay, Richmond County on February 22, 1921.

He was educated in a small

school in West Bay. In 1939 he attended Provincial Normal College in Truro, graduating in 1940. He taught for a couple of years and served in the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Canadian Army in World War 2, before attending Dalhousie University Law School.

While at Dalhousie, Urquhart became the first student to win all the honours and awards for debating and public speaking, namely the Angus L. Macdonald Oratorical Award, the Viscount Bennett Shield and the Dalhousie Silver "D".

He was still attending Law School when he was first elected to the NS House of Assembly for the riding of Richmond on December 20, 1949. He was re-elected and continued to serve through

three more elections. He served as the Liberal Whip under Premiers Angus L. Macdonald, Harold Connolly and Henry D. Hicks.

He was the first backbencher to close a Throne Speech Debate for the Government. He did this in the Hicks government in 1956. This had always been done by a Cabinet Minister.

In 1960, Urquhart was elected House Leader of the Liberal Party and served as Leader of the Opposition during the 1961 and 1962 sessions of the House of Assembly. He was elected the Leader of the Liberal Party of Nova Scotia at a convention held in Halifax on November 3, 1962 and retired as the Party Leader in July 1965.

In February, 1966 Prime Minister Lester B. Pearson summoned Urquhart to the Senate of Canada to fill the Richmond-Inverness seat of Canada's Senate. As a Senator, he served on a variety of Senate and Joint committees until his death in August 1971.

*From biographical information provided by Catherine Urquhart, '38.*

*How many other Alumni of PNC/ NSTC went on to become Senators? We know of one other— Senator Jane Cordy, also from Cape Breton! Interesting!*



### Did you live here?

53 Pleasant Street, Truro, NS

Peggy Ouelette, '57, continues to work on the **Seton Hall Project** to research and compile some of the history of this building while it served as a residence for NSNC/NSTC students.

If you have information, stories or photos that would be of use, please contact us at:  
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Just as a pebble wakes the quiet water  
With ever widening circles rippling out  
To reach the farthest shore,  
One spark of knowledge skillfully presented  
Can light a candle for a sleeping mind,  
And lend it wings to soar.

By Irma Ferguson, '61

*This poem was inside the front cover of the 1961 yearbook.  
Submitted by Murray Baillie, '61.*

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## President's Message

By Helen MacDonald

Our 2008 Reunion was certainly a success and a wonderful time was had by all. Robert Jordan and Sandy MacDougall worked very hard to make the weekend a successful and interesting one - my thanks to both of them. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to Reunion 2009.

During the Annual General Meeting in August, I became your president; the role that David Pottie had filled quite admirably for the past two terms. I appreciate David's continued commitment to the Association in his role as Past-President and look forward to his guidance as I take on the responsibilities of President.

It is an exciting time to be Alumni of Nova Scotia Teachers College. The old Provincial Normal College building was designated an historic building in 1998, celebrated its 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as the first provincial institution for the training of teachers in Nova Scotia in 2006, and is now the subject of discussion which may lead to extensive renovation and development. Actor Lenore Zann, a Truro native, has her sights on the old Normal College. She would like to create a school of performing arts and has received the blessings and support of many of the required players. We will her success in this brilliant endeavour. (See our article on page 14)

If the development of the Normal College building is successful, the Alumni Association is hoping to have space there. Such space would see us begin to develop a permanent home for the Association, an alumni office, a research room and hopefully space to depict the history of PNC/NSTC. This, of course, is a long way down the road but we need to start planning now. I call on alumni, especially those interested in the historic side of teaching in Nova Scotia, who are interested in assisting in any way with this project, to contact us with your thoughts.

There is currently a collection of materials from the old Normal/Teachers College in storage at the Willow Street School in Truro. We have begun the task of sorting and culling that collection, and we are thankful to Gordon Jeffery, The Little White Schoolhouse, for his leadership and guidance in this part of the project. These materials need to be moved because the Willow Street School is no longer in use as a public school. The move is also a good opportunity to organize and catalogue the items we hold. There is much to be done so anyone who can help is welcomed.



The reunion this year is August 14-16, in Truro, and will recognize graduates whose years end in "9":- '29,'39, '49, '59, '69, '79, or '89. In addition to the "honoured years," we are honouring a "program" this year. We have selected the Industrial Arts/Technology Education program for this new initiative. So, regardless of your graduation year, if you are a graduate of the 'IA' program (under any of its names) we invite you to attend as part of our "honoured program." But remember ALL graduates and faculty are invited and encouraged to attend any Reunion. Contact some of your college friends and have a fun weekend in Truro!

In addition to the "honoured program" being added for the upcoming reunion, and the faculty/staff recognition event that was added in 2008, the reunion committee is looking at trying some other new things. If you have ideas or suggestions please contact Sandy MacDougall or Robert Jordan. (See details on page 25)

We have area reps in each district of the province, as well as across the country, who are always trying to reach out to graduates of Teachers College. Their names are listed in this newsletter (page 15). Feel free to contact them with any information, suggestions or questions you may have. Also, please feel free to contact me at any time with queries, comments or suggestions - helenmacd@eastlink.ca.

We want as many of the Alumni as possible to be active and engaged in the Association. Remember to visit the website (nsteacherscollege.ca) - it's a great source of information. Sandy MacDougall is interested in hearing from you with your suggestions, stories and comments for the newsletter or website.

In closing, I want to sincerely thank David Pottie and the outgoing members of the council for their dedication and hard work. To our current executive and council, thank you for your support and commitment to the Alumni Association.☺

*Helen MacDonald graduated from NSNC in 1961. She was elected President of the Alumni Association in 2008.*

**We're on the web:  
nsteacherscollege.ca**

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## Class & Faculty Notes

### Aline G. d'Entremont—'38

I was looking forward to being at the 2008 reunion. Unfortunately, I have had a backache since January; therefore I have to miss the reunion. Hello to those of '38 who will attend.

### Dolores (MacDonald) Young—'54

I began my career as a Permit Teacher in West Louisbourg in 1952. (The one room school no longer exists. It has been replaced by the Reception Centre for the Fortress Louisburg Museum.) I attended Normal College in Truro, 1953-54' on a Permissive Teacher's Bursary.

I taught in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Tuktoyaktuk, Nanisivik, at a Teacher's College in Poland and with the business community in Prague. I taught at Carleton U and the U of Ottawa, (T.A.), was Language Consultant at the Bank of Canada and am currently ESL teacher for GEOS Language School in Ottawa.

I have been married 48 years, have two children and two grandchildren. I have traveled extensively including a weekend at the Ice Hotel outside Quebec City, Antarctica, Easter Island, South Africa, Peru, visited wine areas in many countries and traveled across Siberia in the Trans Siberian railway. I have also been fortunate to have traveled on the Orient Express and Rovos Rail. My son lives in New York City so my husband and I often avail ourselves of the opportunity to visit 'the City that never sleeps.' There's a lot of World to see!! I hope to see lots more of it.

I have attended several reunions and I look forward to attending many more. I keep in touch with a few of my classmates, think The Little White Schoolhouse is a great idea and always look forward to trips back home.

All the best to those of you who are doing such a great job with Alumni interests.

### Marilyn (Surette) Hatfield—'55

I just wanted you all to know that I am part of an exciting new gallery in Halifax, "Art 1274 Hollis" which features 18 artists, one potter and one sculptor. I would love to have you all drop by for a visit. Also, I am a member of the "Art-Port Gallery" at Halifax International Airport. I am enjoying my "so-called retirement" very much, doing what I love to do. I always find time to attend the reunions each year. Cheers!

### Mary Anne (Beaver) Bailey—'86

I've been teaching in the Halifax-Dartmouth area for

*(Continued on page 10 - see Class/Faculty)*

## Little White Schoolhouse Museum Class Photograph Collection

The Little White Schoolhouse Museum currently holds the following collection of class photos:

1893 B, 1895 B, 1897 B, 1897 D, 1899 B, 1899 C  
1900 B, 1900 C, 1901 B, 1901 C, 1902 B, 1903 B  
1904 B, 1904 C, 1905 B, 1906 B, 1907 B, 1907 C  
1908 B, 1909 B  
1910 B, 1910 C, 1911 B, 1912 A, 1912 B, 1912 C  
1913 B, 1913 C, 1914 B, 1914 C, 1915 A, 1915 B  
1915 C, 1916 A, 1916 B, 1917 A, 1917 B, 1918 A  
1918 B, 1918 C, 1919 B  
1920 B, 1921 A, 1921 B, 1921 C, 1922 A, 1922 B  
1922 C, 1923 B, 1923C, 1924 A, 1924 B, 1925 A,  
1925 B 1925 C, 1926 A, 1926 B, 1926 C, 1927 A,  
1927 B 1927 C, 1928 A, 1928 B, 1928 C, 1929 A,  
1929 B  
1930 A, 1930 B, 1930 C, 1931 A, 1931 B, 1931 C  
1932 A, 1932 B, 1932 C, 1933 B, 1934 A, 1934 B  
1935 A, 1935 B, 1936 A, 1936 B, 1937 A, 1937 B  
1938 A, 1938 B, 1939 A, 1939 B  
1940 A, 1941 A, 1941 B, 1942 A, 1942 B, 1943 A  
1943 B, 1944 A, 1947 A, 1947 B, 1949 A, 1949 B  
1950 A, 1950 B, 1952 A, 1952 B, 1953 A, 1953 B  
1954 A, 1954 B, 1955 B

We are interested in acquiring the following class photographs:

1910 A, 1911 A, 1911 C, 1913 A, 1914 A, 1916 C,  
1917 C, 1919 A, 1919 C  
1920 A, 1920 C, 1923 A, 1924 C, 1929 C  
1933 A, 1933 C  
1940 B, 1944 B  
1955 A

## Reunion 2008 Awards

**Oldest Graduate**  
Attendees from Class of '38

**Furthest Traveled**  
James Lewis '88

**Class Attendance Award**  
Class of '48 (21 members)



James "Big Jim" Lewis  
receives his award from  
David Pottie

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## Guest Speaker, 38th Annual Reunion

### David White

#### NSTC's Last Principal Reflects on the Final Years of the College

By Murray Baillie



The Official Opening of Reunion 2008 on August 15 had David White as the guest speaker. Mr. White was the last principal of the Teachers College before it closed.

White had been a teacher and administrator in schools in Nova Scotia before coming to the College in 1989 as a teacher/instructor/professor, whichever may have been the current term in vogue in recent

years. When I attended the Normal College, our teachers were not teachers; they were instructors, a higher rank, I assume.

It must be very unusual for an administrator to be appointed to run an organization that is going to close down. This is the work that David White began in 1994 with 1997 being the closing date. He called it “stressful”, a time when his hair started to turn grey. This all makes sense considering the amount of emotion around this government decision. I had left the province years before so I did not realize the pain and anger felt about the closure until I came to the reunion this year.

Two main objectives were developed for this period. The programs would not change; service would continue. As well, these years would be a celebration of the College's history rather than of deep mourning. Many students remained loyal; they did not transfer to the universities that invited them to do so.

It was not an easy time. There were retirements and buyouts of staff as one might expect when future employment seemed uncertain. A tent even blew down at one graduation. The Nova Scotia Community College started moving onto the campus at some point. In spite of all this, White considers his time as Principal of the Teachers College to be the highlight of his career.

After closure, David White had to make a living doing something else. He worked for the Department of Education with the Nova Scotia International Student Program. The last part of his speech dealt with this activity in Nova Scotia.

Many countries were impressed with the Nova Scotia curriculum and wanted their students to have

the advantage of Western English language education.

This brings doubts about the evaluation of bodies such as the Institute of Market Studies. This body is simply not qualified to be making judgments on education; this is what I believe but I think that Mr. White implied that. If there are any weaknesses in the education system, why do so many foreign countries want to have their students study under this system?

There are countries such as China, Egypt and the United Arab Emirates that have schools who follow the Nova Scotia curriculum in English, a second language for their students. To obtain a graduation certificate, they must reach the standards set by the Department of Education of Nova Scotia and will receive a Nova Scotia certificate. They are taught by provincial teachers who will receive credit in Nova Scotia for the experience that they obtain in a foreign country. The schools are inspected every year by the Department of Education. At the same time, the student body retains the culture of their own country.

In addition, students come to Nova Scotia to study for part of their education. The Department of Education markets this; they tell foreigners, accurately, that Nova Scotia is the warmest province in Canada. These pupils live in communities throughout the province and develop relationships with fellow students. In the first year, there were 54 students. In 2007–2008, there were 1,000 students from thirteen countries. The administrative fee paid to the province is in the range of fifteen million dollars.

Mr. White concluded his speech by considering the legacy of the Nova Scotia Teachers College, the Nova Scotia Normal College, Provincial Normal College and Provincial Normal School. He believes that a memorial to the work of those bodies is found in the classrooms of Nova Scotia. I sensed that he would jump to support reopening the Teachers College as would a good number who heard this speech. There is still great loyalty to teacher education as it was offered in Truro.☞

*Murray Baillie graduated from the Nova Scotia Normal College in 1961. He lives in Miramichi, New Brunswick.*

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## Reunion 2008



*“What a great weekend! I’m so glad I came to the Reunion. Now that I’ve attended one, I hope to get to many more. So much fun!”*



Class Photos  
courtesy of  
**Pridham Studios**  
Truro, NS



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## Class Photos

*“I had such a great time this weekend! So many memories. It’s nice that they hold the Reunions in Truro at the TC Campus. It’s just like being back here... so many years ago!”*



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# In Memoriam

## *Always Remembered*

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### 1920s

**FEETHAM ( ), Annie Sophia**, 100, Truro, March 1, 2008  
**FISHER (Ley), Alice Margaret**, 99, Annapolis Royal/ New Waterford, July 6, 2008  
**HOGAN (MacGregor), Mabel**, 98, Glace Bay, December 18, 2008  
**MEISNER (Heim), Antoinette Julia**, 98, Stanley Section, Lunenburg County, March 5, 2008  
**PARKER, Lillian Mae**, 98, Kentville (formerly of Medford, Kings County), August 11, 2008  
**PORTER (Hatchard), Alice Irene**, 98, Canning, November 19, 2008  
**PRAT (O'Brien), Gertrude Martin**, 99, Dartmouth, June 13, 2008  
**ROBERTSON, Sister Laurretta**, 95, Antigonish (born in Howie Center), January 29, 2008  
**SCHURMAN (MacPherson), Mary Kathryn**, 101, Halifax, March 23, 2008

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### 1930s

**BARTEAUX (Pettis), Lyda M.**, 92, Fox River, Cumberland County, September 24, 2008  
**BELMORE (Taylor), Eleanor Mae "Dolly"**, 93, Caribou Gold Mines, January 31, 2008  
**BEZANGER, Dorothy Isabel**, 90, Halifax, June 15, 2008  
**BLAKENEY (Mahoney), Gretchen Eileen**, 93, Dartmouth, November 1, 2008  
**BROWNELL, Elmer H.**, 92, Chester Basin, August 10, 2008  
**BURRIS (Guthrie), Myra Almeda**, 88, Bible Hill, January 6, 2008  
**CARRUTHERS (Roode), Agnes Marie**, 89, Truro, November 7, 2008  
**CASHMAN (Rankin), Mary Margaret Euphrasia**, 94, Halifax, February 14, 2008  
**CLARKE, Elizabeth Marie "Bette"**, 87, Berwick, October 10, 2008  
**CONRAD (Corkum), Florence Ellen**, 94, Lunenburg, December 4, 2008  
**DALRYMPLE, Bessie Elvira**, 89, Stewiacke, December 30, 2008  
**DAVIDSON (Mannette), Hazel Elizabeth**, 93, Porters Lake, December 3, 2008  
**DEWITT (Annis), Marjorie Kathleen**, 95, Kentville (formerly of Canning), March 6, 2008  
**HAYES, Winston Chalmers**, 91, Milford Station, February 10, 2008  
**HEPPER (Letcher), Christine Elizabeth**, 96, Amherst, December 24, 2008  
**JOUDREY (Donaldson), Marion Bessie**, 90, Lunenburg, October 9, 2008  
**KAISER (MacKay), Catherine Margaret "Kaye"**, 87, New Glasgow, January 22, 2009  
**KELLEY (Johnson), Edith Mabel**, 90, Dartmouth (originally of Truro), August 26, 2008  
**LUTWICK (Banks), Mary**, 91, Halifax, April 25, 2008  
**MACCALLUM (Sinclair), Marguerita S. "Rita"**, 91, Stellarton, March 2, 2008  
**MACGILLIVARY (Fraser), Jean Frances**, 89, Glace Bay, January 16, 2009  
**MACK (Berrigan), Helen Margaret**, 90, Halifax, January 9, 2008

ary 9, 2008  
**MACLEAN, Murdock Joseph (Rev.)**, 88, Antigonish, August 19, 2008  
**MACLEOD, Jean Margaret**, 87, Westville, September 27, 2008  
**MACNEIL (Murray), Isabel C.**, 96, Malagash, June 10, 2008  
**MARSH (Thompson), Audrey Jean**, 96, St. Croix, Hants County, March 14, 2008  
**MACINTOSH (Stead), Marjorie**, 95, North Sydney, January 1, 2009  
**MCGOWAN-SMITH (Johnston, Sangster), Madeline**, 90, Antigonish, January 23, 2009  
**POWER (Corbett), M. Hazel**, 94, Halifax/Mulgrave, January 1, 2009  
**RAND (Gammon), Mary "Mildred"**, 88, Delhaven, Kings County, October 7, 2008  
**RICHARDS, Jennie A.**, 91, South Bar, September 8, 2008  
**SIMPSON (Ilsley), Esther Mae**, 91, Halifax, February 4, 2008  
**SPENCER (McGowan), Fay Cecelia**, 89, Halifax, February 7, 2008  
**SWAN (MacLeod), Kathleen Cavell**, New Glasgow (formerly of Westville), November 19, 2007 (committal service was August 2008)

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### 1940s

**BACON (Lake), Frances Eleanor**, 83, Windsor, October 31, 2008  
**BRAY (MacDonald), Mary E.**, 82, Glace Bay, December 6, 2008  
**CHISHOLM (Meagher), Mary Florence**, 86, Port Hawkesbury, May 30, 2008  
**CURRIE, Emma Theresa**, 79, Glace Bay, September 6, 2008  
**FRAME (Wentzell), Doris Floy**, 85, Riverton, Pictou County, November 4, 2008  
**GARLAND (Cook), Ruth Bernice**, 84, Windsor, Hants County, March 27, 2008  
**GIFFIN, Rita Mae**, 83, Goldboro, Guysborough County, November 19, 2008  
**GREENOUGH (MacLean), Adelaide M.**, 83, Five Islands, Colchester County, February 22, 2008  
**HALE, Marion Vale**, 85, Coldbrook, Kings County (formerly of Lower Onslow), July 14, 2008  
**HILLIER, G. Arthur**, 91, Wolfville, September 25, 2008  
**KENNEDY (Brown), M. Marion**, 82, Lomevale, February 24, 2008  
**LANGILLE (Munroe), Betty**, 86, Hopewell, Pictou County, July 2, 2008  
**LUCAS (McLean), Mildred Agnes**, 83, Lucasville, March 1, 2008  
**MACDONALD (Hagar), Gladys May**, 81, East Green Harbour (formerly of St. Catherine's River, Queens County), June 2, 2008  
**MACDONALD, Cyril**, Kingston, ON,  
**MACDONALD, Jean E.**, 85, Unionville, ON (formerly of Sunny Brae, Pictou County), August 24, 2008  
**MACDONNELL, Paul Anthony**, 80, Antigonish (formerly of St. Peter's), March 28, 2008  
**MACKAY, Ronald Raymond "Ron"**, 80, Cole Harbour, April 14, 2008  
**MACPHERSON (Walker), Margaret "Margie"**, 80,

Sydney, March 5, 2008  
**MARSTERS (McKinley), Bette**, 81, Dartmouth, January 20, 2008  
**MCLEOD (McCoy), Marion Shirley**, 79, Wolfville, February 28, 2008  
**MURPHY (Ripley), Lida Marguerita**, 85, Dartmouth, October 19, 2008  
**MURPHY, Teresa Alice**, 80, Barra Head, May 2008

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### 1950s

**CAMPBELL (MacLean), Nettie Mae (Dr.)**, 69, West Porters Lake, March 3, 2008  
**COCHRANE (MacDonald), Barbara Jean**, 76, Windsor, December 31, 2008  
**MACVICAR (Ferguson), Arline Carol**, 73, Glace Bay, August 17, 2008  
**NATHANSON, Hilroy (The Honourable)**, 76, Halifax, December 26, 2008  
**SOLEY, Logan Curtis "Curt"**, 71, Sandy Point, June 4, 2008

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### 1960s

**BENIGHT (Martin), Janet Eleanor**, 66, Timberlea, January 30, 2009  
**BOUDREAU, Emmanuel (Manny)**, 65, Halifax (formerly of Petit de Grat), September 15, 2008  
**HAGEN, Arthur John**, Alberta, October 5, 2008  
**LETCHER, Frank**, 62, NWT (originally of Inverness), August 21, 2008  
**MACDONALD, Angus Warren**, 66, Sydney (formerly of Glace Bay), October 4, 2008  
**TAYLOR (Young), Coline Anne**, 60, Sydney Mines (and Inverness), November 10, 2008

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### 1970s

**BLACK (Mercer), Sharon Lynn**, 55, Lower Sackville, October 31, 2008

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### 1980s

**MACDONALD, Margaret Christine "Margie"**, 49, Antigonish, December 7, 2008

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### Unknown

**MACLEAN (MacKay), Thelma Allison**, New Glasgow, January 24, 2008

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### Faculty/Staff

**CLARK, George Neil**, 78, Bible Hill, October 10, 2008—Commissionaire then maintenance staff for many years  
**O'NEIL (MacDonald), Vera Jean**, Rhines Creek, Hants County, August 31, 2008— Worked in the Library for many years

Note: Graduation decades are approximate in some cases.



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## Alumni Profile - Duff Montgomerie, '68



Duff Montgomerie

“An extremely rewarding experience which gave me an exceptional grounding for teaching,” says Duff Montgomerie, Deputy Minister of Nova Scotia’s Department of Health Promotion and Protection of his years at NSTC.

Originally from Bridgetown, NS, Duff attended TC and graduated in 1968 with an Associate in Education (Physical Education). At TC Duff played soccer, volleyball and basketball, and remembers opportunities to make many new friends and to represent the college in athletics as two important aspects from his college days.

Of TC’s program, Duff says, “it had a very logical, common sense approach which helped me become a competent educator.” We can assume the same logical, common sense approach has provided Duff with a firm foundation for his other careers as well.

While he began teaching in his native Bridgetown, he has gone on to pursue a variety of career opportunities. He was chair of the Premier’s Council on Canadian Health Awareness, Director of Community Rela-

tions for the Premier’s Office, a senior Policy Advisor at Treasury and Policy Board, and a former Executive Assistant to the Minister of Health.

He has served as the Executive Director of the Nova Scotia Sport and Recreation Commission, was the first full-time director of the Nova Scotia School Athletic Federation and was a member of the Canada Games Council board of directors.

Besides his significant provincial government experience, he has worked with the Central Nova Tourism Association and been in the real estate business.

Duff Montgomerie was appointed Deputy Minister of the Nova Scotia Department of Health Promotion and Protection in March, 2007. Prior to that, he served as the department’s Assistant Deputy Minister.

He continues to remain active in the sports world as a basketball referee at the community and school level.

Duff recently said, “I enjoyed my time at TC, and I’m not surprised that many of my friends from those days have become leaders in education in their respective communities. There were some very talented and committed folks there.”

Duff lives in Dartmouth with his wife, Joan. He has two adult children, Steven and Cindy, and two adult step-children, Martha and Matthew.☺

*Based, in part, on Deputy Minister Montgomerie’s online biography—Government of Nova Scotia: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/hpp/deputyminister.asp>*

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## Alumni News - Alistair MacLeod receives Order of Canada



Alistair MacLeod and Governor General Michaëlle Jean  
Photo credit: MCpl S. Gouin, Rideau Hall

On April 11, 2008 Governor General Michaëlle Jean inducted Cape Breton author and NSNC Alumni Alistair MacLeod into the Order of Canada.

MacLeod, a native of Dunvegan, Cape Breton, is a retired professor at the University of Windsor and a prolific author. The characters in his short story collections *The*

*Lost Salt Gift of Blood* and *As Birds Bring Forth the Sun* reflect the strong, spirited people of MacLeod’s

native Cape Breton. His novel, *No Great Mischief*, earned the world’s largest annual literary prize, the International IMPAC Dublin Literary Award and has been translated into 17 languages.

After graduating from NSNC, MacLeod taught for a short time in Cape Breton. He attended St. FX University where he obtained a B.A. and B.Ed. In 1960 and went on to the University of New Brunswick where he received a M.A. in 1961. At that time he came back to teach at NSTC for a few years.☺

*From The Inverness Oran, April 16, 2008 and Voice of Our Alumni 06-07.*

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45, 35, 25, 15 and 05 were honoured! Over five hundred people attended!

It is interesting to note, that those classes of '5s' have been honoured three times since then!

Over the years there have been times when executive have thrown up their arms in despair, but Bob's steady, positive approach always sheds some light on the situation and the Association moves onward.

From 1975 to 1984 Bob held the office of Treasurer. He went back to that office in 1992 and remains Treasurer today. In addition, he has been part of the reunion committee since the first reunion in 1971, and has been reunion chair since 1997. He has also been the membership coordinator since the College closed in 1997 and the newsletter editor from then until 2007.

Some organizations employ full- or part-time staff to look after some of these duties, however, through much of the time that Bob has been so active with the Alumni Association, he was a teacher at Central Colchester Junior High, a husband to Audrey (nee Cunningham of New Glasgow) and a father to three (now adult) children, Andrew, Darren and Jennifer.

Although Bob retired from teaching in 1996 he continues to be active within the community, offering his organizational and computer skills to local organizations.

Bob was saddened by the closure of the College in 1997. "I understand there had been attempts to move the College to Halifax or close it completely since the 1880s!", says Bob. He recalls an earlier time, in the 70s, when Principal George MacIntosh and the Alumni were in a position to rise up and fend off attempts to close the College.

"Every organization needs a Bob," says Alumni President Helen MacDonald, "Bob has been the constant, the unrelentingly steady hand that has guided the Alumni Association, that breathed life into a group that would have ceased to exist several times without his commitment."

"Bob's 40th Class Reunion is coming up in 2010," notes MacDonald, "and we owe him a huge 'thank you'. Now that we are learning the ropes with his guidance, we hope to do our part to keep this organization going for many more years and to allow Bob to wean himself away a little and enjoy HIS reunion in 2010!"

*Based largely upon an article, by the late Dr. Jane Norman, which originally appeared in a 1985 Alumni Newsletter.*

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(Class/Faculty—Continued from page 4)

21 years, Core French, Gr 4-6. I started using a new AMAZING program called AIM (Google it to find out about it!) in Sept 2006 and it has meant fewer discipline problems, greater job satisfaction, mostly positive comments from students and parents and definitely admin! It's a method using gestures to help kids remember and use French!

When we paid off the mortgage in 1994, we spent 2 weeks over March Break in Mexico; in 1998, I did a cross-Canada trip going west on VIA Rail from Halifax to Vancouver, bought a VW Westfalia camper and drove all over Vancouver Island and BC, AB, etc. for the 6 weeks (alone); when we ran our second marathon together, Greg (Dr. Bailey's 3rd, favorite and most handsome son!), my husband and I,

ran it in Paris, France before doing a tour of Europe in 2003; in 2005, for our 20th wedding anniversary, we did a southern Caribbean Cruise and stayed in San Juan for some extra time.

The Bailey's, Dr. & Mrs., still live in their own home (same one for some 43 years now) in Truro. We tried to have children and, to make a LONG story short, during a routine surgery, so that I could have children, the doctors found (ovarian) cancer. So, by God's kind hand and good timing (stage 3 cancer!), I am still here! Praise the Lord!

I am still heavily involved in the Terry Fox Runs and Foundation, since running with Terry in 1980 (getting to talk to him at length, autograph and a kiss!). I even worked for the TFF in 2002, but came back to teaching for health reasons.

I am still a Born-again believer, since that fact never changes, but attend a Baptist Church near our home now. I am heavily involved there, Head of the Music Committee, on the Worship Team as a singer, etc... As a matter of fact, I must head there soon. So, I hope to hear from old friends, especially my childhood friend, Krista... we've all lost touch guys! God Bless!

#### **Chuck Boudreau—'89**

Chuck is living in Arichat and teaching Junior High Social Studies with the Strait Regional School Board. He is also a Positive Effective Behaviour Support (PEBS) Teacher Trainer. You can find Chuck on Facebook!

#### **Faculty**

**Harvey MacPhee** and his wife Anne celebrated their 90<sup>th</sup> birthdays last

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## **WANTED: 1937 Ring** **Your help is needed**

### **Do you have a class ring from 1937?**

If you do, an alumnus from Cape Breton whose father attended PNC in 1936-37 would like to get a clear photo of your ring.

The 1937 class ring was designed by Will B. Pringle. Mr. Pringle passed away some time ago, and his ring was recently destroyed in a house fire. His son, Ron (class of '64), would like to get a copy made but needs a photo or a ring to use as a model.

If you have a 1937 class ring, or know of someone who does, please contact the Editor at [newsletter@nsteacherscollege.ca](mailto:newsletter@nsteacherscollege.ca) or drop us a note.

## **Plan Ahead!**

# **Reunion 2010**

**Classes of :  
1930, 1940, 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980 and  
1990 will be honoured!**

**Tentative dates: August 13-15, 2010**

Consider being a chair for your graduating year. Contact the reunion coordinators at [reunion@nsteacherscollege.ca](mailto:reunion@nsteacherscollege.ca) or drop us a note, if you would like to help organize and contact your classmates.

Make this a group event! Come out to Truro in 2010 and have a great time with old friends... and meet new friends as well!

*(Abramson—Continued from page 1)*

Both married and raised families, but neither forgot the other through the years. Carolyn's marriage ended in divorce and she returned to Nova Scotia where she asked around and learned that Ken was married with children.

She married a man who became afflicted with Alzheimer's disease. He had to go into a nursing home and Carolyn was alone again.

Then one day in January 2003, Carolyn received a message from Classmates.com - "You have a message from Kendell" - There was only one Kendell and Carolyn couldn't believe her eyes.

Carolyn learned that Ken's wife was terminally ill. So they began exchanging e-mails and phone calls and supported each other through difficult times.

Carolyn and Ken attended their 40<sup>th</sup> Reunion in August of 2003 and saw each other face to face for the first time since the spring of 1965.

They soon realized that their feelings for each other had not changed over the years. On January 7, 2005 he proposed and on January 7, 2006 they were married.

During their years at TC, Ken had carved their initials in a tree. Many, many years later Carolyn

found those initials as well as a flood of emotions and memories.

Carolyn says, "It took us more than 40 years but we finally got it right. We try very hard to make every day count and hopefully we will be blessed with many more years together. We are soul mates and it was always meant to be."

Carolyn and Ken are now happily living in Abbotsford, BC.

We wish them all the best for a long and happy future together and hope to see them at another Reunion!☺

*From information provided to the Editor by Carolyn Abramson.*



Carolyn and Ken Abramson

summer. They both attended the Reunion in August as members of the class of '38. **Paul Zann** continues to write poetry and novels. He has recently published *Aussie Six in Spain*, the third in the Aussie Six series. He also dabbles in acting and has appeared as an extra in several movies. He and his wife Jan celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary recently. **Neil Fisher** and his wife Jean, also celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Neil continues to be active with the Little White Schoolhouse Museum. He is the editor of their newsletter Keeping in Touch as well as a newsletter for the Truro Arts Society. Neil is an active participant in the NSTC Facebook group! He plays table tennis with **George Hillis**, **Fernando Hernandez** and others on a regular basis. Neil has also been in a major Legion project - collecting and publishing the Wartime Memories of Veterans - 150+ stories so far. **Harold Stewart** and his wife Sheila attended the faculty event at the Reunion last summer. Harold is still active with spring and summer bird counts as well as volunteering with the Little White Schoolhouse. **Larry Burt** was busy and successful on the tennis circuit last summer. He won a Consolation Final (65+) at St. George's Masters. **Al Flemming** made the news when he rescued a damsel in distress from a swarm of bees! **Eric Bent** and his wife Joan are very active people indeed! Last fall they traveled to western USA where they visited many areas including Salt Lake City, the Grand Canyon and Santa Fe. Before that they toured Northern Spain for two weeks and then spent a week with their children Donald and Leslie in Malta. Eric is active with the Little White Schoolhouse and the Alumni Association. Both he and Joan always attend the Reunions and host many members of their class of '55 at

various activities during the weekend. **Marg MacKenzie** attended the Reunion in August both as a former faculty member and as a member of the Class of '38. **Farida Gabbani (Blacklock)** when she was at TC was inducted into the Fellowship of the North American Society for Physical Education, Recreation, Sport and Dance Professionals. She is only the second Canadian to receive this honour. She is currently the Senior Director of Physical Activity, Sport and Recreation for the NS Department of Health Promotion and Protection. **Chalmers Doane** is the recipient of a Crystal Apple Award from The Learning Partnership, an organization that applauds the contributions and innovation of public educators. **Karen Casey** continues as MLA for Colchester North and has recently moved to the Minister of Health portfolio after filling the portfolio of Minister of Education for several years. **Jamie Muir** continues as MLA for Truro-Bible Hill. **Bev (Judge) Hay** (Annex supervisor) lives in Bedford with her husband and family. **Woodie Hewitt** lived in Halifax for several years, but we've been told he recently moved back to the Truro area. **Keith Kerr** and his wife Janice live on the Eastern Shore where Keith keeps busy making bat houses and renovating their home. He had also been doing training and supervision of trainers for the NS Construction Safety Association. **Gordon Jeffery** is one of the driving forces behind the Little White Schoolhouse. His knowledge of the history of education in Nova Scotia is amazing. He and other "friends" of the Schoolhouse can be found there every Tuesday morning (as well as many other times). He is also a supporter of local (and not so local) community theatre and enjoys time spent with family. **David and Leslie McKillop** still reside in Truro. David retired as coordinator of mathematics for CCRSB in February 2007

and has established his own consulting firm Making Math Matter Inc. David was out to the staff event at the Reunion in August. **Marg Swan** is also a LWSH volunteer and comes out to Reunion events each year. She still lives in Truro. **Roberta (Sarty) Macnab-James** and **C. Bernadette Brooks** both attended the 2007 Reunion as graduates of the class of '47. Roberta remains active with the Alumni Association as the area rep for Lunenburg-Hants West and usually attends the reunions though she missed the 2008 Reunion due to family commitments. She lives near Bridgewater. Bernadette still lives in Truro. **Alan Moore** keeps busy with traveling in the cooler months and running his business, Fresh Air Adventures in Alma, NB during the warmer parts of the year. **John Elliott** still lives in Truro and is still seen running from time to time. Unfortunately, his wife Colleen passed away last spring. **Bernie MacDonald** continues as the Vice-President of the NSAC. **Peggy Ouelette** is very busy with reading and literacy work in Richmond County and she continues to work on the "Seton Hall Project" for the Alumni Association. **Ruth Seaman** lives in a retirement complex in Madison, Wisconsin where she remains active with knitting, reading and visiting. **Ken Bezanson** operates Country Barn Antiques in Port Williams, NS. **Ken Smith** and his wife are living in St Andrew's, NB and enjoying retirement and grandchildren very much. **Wilf McCormack** and **Bill Berry** taught for a while at the Community College that took over the NSTC campus. Bill Berry later relocated to Florida and married there, but still has a cottage at Shorts Lake near Truro. Wilf McCormack is still in the Truro area. **Doug Grant** and his wife Doris are well and live in Parkland Estates in Truro. **Dorothy (Walker) Robbins** lives near Wolfville. **Pam**

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## Reunion 2008 Attendance

### Class of '38

Dolina (Munroe) Battist  
Alice (Shaw) Bond  
Margaret (Brownell) MacKenzie  
Ann (Rankine) MacPhee  
Harvey MacPhee  
Selica (Bates) Mesher  
Alice (MacDonald) Muir  
Catherine (Gillis) Urquhart  
A. Christene (MacLeod) Wallis

### Class of '42

Lorna (Burrell) Blades  
Marjorie (Pierce) Dowe

### Class of '42/43

J. Leonard Embree

### Class of '44

Helen (Roulston) Miller

### Class of '47

Roberta (Sarty) Macnab-James  
Jean (Hiltz) Palmeter

### Class of '47/48

Roy Rideout

### Class of '48

Edith (Hutchinson) Andrews  
Donna (Baker) Bent  
Phyllis Bent  
Sybil (Henderson) Crawford  
Catherine (Kaye) (MacLean) Davidson  
Leonard (Len) Denton  
Mary (MacDonald) Gillis  
Ruth (Hankey) Hutchinson  
Dorothy (MacLeod) Ingraham  
Elsie (Stronach) Johnston  
Kathryn (MacIntosh) Keddy  
Mary (Lathigee) MacNeil  
Mildred (Mackley) MacNeil  
Catherine (McCormick) McDougall  
Norma (Leonard) McEwan  
Hazel (Cunningham) McKay  
Thomas Rissesco  
Sylvia (Langille) Ross  
Marie (Cole) Sinclair  
Marion (O'Brien) Vaniderstine

### Class of '49

Marion (MacDonald) Carney  
Russell Dowe  
Phyllis Leadbeater

### Class of '50

Marcella (MacDonald) Parks

### Class of '51

Elsie (Roulston) Bond

### Class of '53

Ina Adamson  
Rosella (Hunley) MacDonald

### Class of '55

Nancy (Cox) Austin  
Eric Bent

Joan (Wiseman) Bent  
Maxine (Pynch) Bezanson  
Marilyn (Forbes) Burns  
Patricia (Bigsby) Caudle  
Marilyn (Surette) Hatfield  
Donald Hollett  
Martha (MacPhee) MacLaughlin  
Daniel MacLean  
Jennie (MacDonald) McInnes  
Howard Spence  
Don Willett  
Gloria (Guest) Younker

### Class of '57

Anna Marie (DiSano) Celi  
Margaret (Johnston) Ouelette

### Class of '58

Harold Barkhouse  
Mary Josephine (MacDonald) Butler  
Edith (Fitch) Clattenburg  
Margaret (Nelson) Dawe  
Reta (Wier) Dunn  
Della (Jardine) Fougère  
Sharon (Whitney) Godin  
Norman Hamilton  
Carol (Henderson) Harris  
Winston Hendsbee  
Joan (Miller) Janes  
Archibald Killawee  
Betty (Cooper) Kingsbury  
Betty Lou (Schurman) Loomer  
Ruby (MacLean) MacKay  
Audrey (Winmill) MacLellan  
Angela (Martin) Nolan  
Muriel (MacLeod) Palmer

### Class of '59

Sue (MacKay) Kent

### Class of '60

Thora (DeWolfe) Hasiuk  
Anne Marie (LeBlanc) LeBlanc

### Class of '61

Murray Baillie  
Karen (Jones) Byers  
Helen (McCormick) MacDonald  
David Pottie  
Robert Thomson

### Class of '65

Dorinda (Squires) McCully

### Class of '66

Karen (Thompson) Casey  
Nancy (mitton) Sulis

### Class of '68

M. Lillian (St. Peter) Bray  
Linda (Weatherbee) Byers  
Joan (DeYoung) Delorey  
Muriel (Turnbull) Fortune  
Catherine (Walsh) Gray  
Patricia (McKee) Kent

Ethel (Holmes) Langill  
Linda Langille  
Annette (MacLean) Melanson  
Joan (Stevens) Monk  
June (Stevens) Monk  
Florence (Nearing) Morrison  
Gene Mumford  
Carol (Smith) Shea  
Dianna (Phillips) Skuffham  
Gayle (Moore) Strasser  
Roland Swim  
Gsil (Barron) Wagsteff  
Phyllis (DeAdder) Welton

### Class of '69

Lois (Urquhart) Musselman  
Janette (Battist) Sears  
Patricia (Wickstrom) Swim

### Class of '70

Robert W. Jordan  
Sheila (Main) Stewart

### Class of '72

Holly (Sheilds) Ferguson

### Class of '74

Eleanor (Little) Greeno  
Diane Patten

### Class of '78

Barry Smith  
Frederick Sullivan

### Class of '79

Larry Fitzgerald

### Class of '85

Alexander (Sandy) MacDougall

### Class of '88

Janet Clattenburg  
James Lewis  
Karen Luddington

### Faculty

Margaret Swan  
Eric Bent  
Doug Grant  
Roberta (Sarty) Macnab-James  
Daryl Hayes  
Dorothy Walker-Robbins

### 2008 Reunion Attendance Summary "Honoured Years"

Class of '88—3  
Class of '78—2  
Class of '68—19  
Class of '58—18  
Class of '48—21  
Class of '38—9

**Mulvaney** sold her house and lives in Wynn Park, a retirement community in Truro. She travels and golfs. **Carol Byers** and her husband retired to their winterized cottage outside Parrsborro. **Michelle (Bigelow) Murphy** works at the Truro NSCC. **Eric Smith** and his wife still live in Truro. **Glenn Pierce** lives in Halifax now, does some traveling and attended the faculty event at last summer's Reunion. **Thomas B. Acker** (Librarian) lives in Truro, attended the faculty event at the '08 Reunion and is active with the LWSH group. **Archie Killowee** has been dealing with some medical challenges and treatments but is holding up well and is happy the treatments and travel are over. **Phyllis Maybee** lives in Northwood Center in Halifax. Unfortunately her husband passed away on February 9, 2009. ❧

*The Editor appreciates the assistance of Neil Fisher and the Little White Schoolhouse newsletter, Keeping in Touch which provided most of the content of the Faculty Notes.*

## Old PNC Building... New Idea!



Truro native Lenore Zann has an idea. Ms. Zann, 49, grew up in Truro and is familiar with the old Provincial Normal College building. She thinks the building would make a good location for a

post-secondary school of the Performing Arts. Others share her opinion.

Ms. Zann (daughter of NSTC professor Paul Zann) is a professional actress who has appeared in movies and TV such as Law and Order, Cold Squad, Pit Pony, Lexx, Street Legal, the voice of Rogue in the X-Men series, and theatrical performances including The Marilyn Tapes.

The old Provincial Normal College building was constructed in 1877. It was the home of the PNC from then until 1961 when the Nova Scotia Teachers College moved to Arthur Street. The building is an excellent example of a Second Empire Style brick building. Since 1961, the building has been used for several purposes including home of the Truro YMCA.

Ms. Zann's idea started to take form last summer and in a short time, she has made many contacts and received support from a wide range of people and organizations. She presented her idea to Truro Town Council in September, at which time they quickly saw the advantages of having such a school in the town.

Council has tried to develop the building for some time but received few viable proposals. "I think one thing we've been missing as far as the Normal College project goes... [is] somebody with enthusiasm and drive," said Councilor Charles Cox. "You just exude enthusiasm for this project," he told Ms. Zann. Truro's deputy mayor Greg MacArthur said that if the project succeeds it could have major spinoffs for the town.

Ms. Zann has already gained support from a wide array of sources. She met with local MLAs Jamie Muir and Karen Casey as well as the Department of Education, Dalhousie University and Nova Scotia Community College officials. "The development of performance arts and the expansion of our program mix at our Truro campus aligns nicely with our college plan to increase programming in Truro," said Bruce Tawse, dean of the school of applied arts and new media at the NSCC. "We are in support of the program. However, at this time the college is able to contribute only our expertise and program advice."

One of the key components in the success of this plan, is the building itself. It is estimated that renovations to make the space suitable and bring it up to code would cost in the area of \$3.8 million. In addition to artistic support, Zann is pursuing financial support for the project. She has met with the Colchester Regional Development Agency and Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency to learn more about funding sources.

The idea has caught the attention of many high profile people in Canada's arts community. Author Margaret Atwood, whose parents met while attending PNC in Truro, has written a letter of support. Also indicating support are playwright David French, actor and director David Ferry, David Mirvish of Mirvish Productions in Toronto and Karen Kain, artistic director of the National Ballet in Toronto.

The project is of interest to the Alumni Association because of the historical tie to the building, but also because we hope the Association may be able to create office, research and display areas in the building. Ms. Zann has accepted an invitation to be our Reunion Guest Speaker in August.

*This article is largely based on content from the Truro Daily News, September 9 and 30, November 27 and December 15, 2008.*



Lenore Zann  
Photo credit: Truro Daily News

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## Alumni Association of NSTC 2008-09 EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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### LWSH Liaison

Mr. Eric Bent '55	3 Edward Street Truro NS B2N 3E2	895-4370
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**Following are Minutes of Executive Meetings, Full Council Meetings, the Annual Meeting of the ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF THE NOVA SCOTIA TEACHERS COLLEGE.**

**Minutes are in the order they occurred and all were recorded and submitted by Sue Kent, Secretary.**

In the event of discrepancy between these minutes and the official copy held by the Secretary, the official copy shall prevail.

**Executive Meeting  
April 26, 2008**

An Executive Meeting was held at the home of Robert and Audrey Jordan, on Saturday April 26, 2008 at 12:45 pm. The president David Pottie chaired the meeting. Others present at the meeting were: Robert Jordan, Roberta Macnab-James, and Sue Kent.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Robert Jordan gave the following financial report for the year ending December 31, 2007:

Investments	\$12,312.00
Current Account	\$6,685.04
Total cash on hand	\$18,997.04

It was moved by Robert Jordan, and seconded by Roberta Macnab-James to approve the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

**NEWSLETTER**

Robert Jordan reported 350 copies of the newsletter were printed, 187 were sent by E-mail. This was a saving of over \$300.00. Robert Jordan reported that he sent Newsletters to all the people who had paid membership this year, the graduates in the 8's years, and all who registered 10 years ago.

The meeting adjourned about 1:00 pm. These minutes have been APPROVED.

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**Full Council Meeting  
April 26, 2008**

An Executive Council Meeting of the Alumni Association of the NSTC was held at the home of Audrey and Robert Jordan in Truro, on Saturday April 26, 2008 at 1:00 pm. The president David Pottie chaired the meeting. Others present at the meeting were: Connie Veinotte, Margaret Dawe, Anne Marie LeBlanc, Larry Fitzgerald, Robert Jordan, Roberta Macnab-James, and Sue Kent. Regrets were received from Eric Bent, Don Willett, Dorinda McCully and Sandy MacDougall.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Margaret Dawe, and seconded by Larry Fitzgerald to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2008 Executive Meeting. Motion carried.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:**

(A) Gifts for speakers.  
David Pottie checked with the photographers to see if they could do a picture of the Normal College and the Teachers College. They said they didn't have any pictures. Margaret Dawe has a picture of these. It was suggested at the October 2, 2007 meeting, that we have both pictures in one frame. This could be presented to the Friday night speaker at the reunion.

(B) Silent Auction

Robert Jordan reported that Eric Bent would do the silent auction again this year.

(C) Prize for raffle

David Pottie has a hooked mat from Kathleen Gorman that we were going to sell raffle tickets on last year, but we couldn't get a lottery number. We will sell tickets this year if we can get a number.

(D) Building Fund

We thought Dr. Jane Norman left the \$10,000 to the Building Fund in her will, but this was not so. It was obtained from a Life Insurance. Eric Bent gave it to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum to hold for the Teachers College Alumni Building Fund. Now, the LWSH can't hand over the money to us, as one charity can't hand over money to another charity. The Alumni Association of the NSTC is recommending that the LWSH continue to handle the money. The money is in a separate account. It has to be used to promote something to do with education, or to rent or buy space to store the alumni artifacts. It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Anne Marie LeBlanc that the following recommendation re the Building Fund be brought up at the Annual

**Meeting:**

1. That the Alumni Association of the NSTC cede control over the funds to the Friends of the Little White Schoolhouse.
2. That the President and Treasurer of the NSTC Alumni serve on the Building Fund Committee of the Friends of the Little White Schoolhouse, and that the NSTC Alumni Association pay their annual membership dues to the Friends of the Little White Schoolhouse.

It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Margaret Dawe that the above recommendations become part of the Constitution and By-Laws when they become applicable. Motion carried.

The town held a meeting. The topic of discussion was what to do with the Old Normal College. Some suggestions were:

- Sell the building to a private enterprise. The town didn't want this.
- Make a new library. The library personnel and the town didn't like this suggestion.
- It was suggested that the town or a private enterprise run the building, and rent or lease the space. The town approved of this.

We have about \$48,000 in the Building Fund. We have asked for space in the Old Normal College, but not as paying customers.

The town was against spending any money on the building unless it was for necessary repairs. It was also suggested to tear down the building, and build something else. This would be the last resort.

It could be costly to repair, as no repairs have been done for a long time. Something has to be done, as the roof is leaking. No one has been in the building for a long time, except for a few people or groups who have been there off and on.



It was suggested that when the new library is built, they have a tunnel from there to the Old Normal College, and have Administration Offices in the Old Normal Building.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Robert Jordan gave the following treasurer's report for the year ending December 31, 2007:

Investments	\$12,312.00
Current Account	\$6,106.89
Total cash on hand	\$18,418.89

Robert Jordan gave the following report for the period January 1, 2008 to April 25, 2008:

Investments	\$12,312.00
Current Account	\$6,685.04
Total cash on hand	\$18,997.04

It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Roberta Macnab-James to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

#### MEMBERSHIP

- Paid 2006-7-123
- Paid 2008-220
- Paid 2009-39
- Paid 2010-3
- Paid 10 year-82

#### NOMINATIONS FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The positions that are up for nominations this year [2008] are:

##### Executive

- President
- Vice-President

##### Area Representatives

- King-Annapolis
- Halifax Regional Municipality
- Cumberland-Colchester-East Hants
- Northside-Victoria-Cape Breton
- Digby-Clare-Argyle-Yarmouth

#### REUNION 2008

Robert Jordan read a letter from Sandy MacDougall saying he didn't have any news for the reunion. He said if anyone has any to let him know. He is busy with theatre and will not be at the meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There will be a full Council Meeting on Friday August 15, 2008 at 1:00 pm in the first floor common room, Davis Hall, of the Community College (former Teachers College). We will meet at

3:00 pm to put together gift bags for people coming to the reunion.

Anne Marie LeBlanc suggested we recognize Allister MacLeod in some way. He received the Order of Canada. This will be mentioned in the Newsletter.

Robert Jordan commended Sandy MacDougall for the good job he is doing on the Newsletter. Sandy will do it next year also.

The next meeting will be Friday August 15, 2008 at 1:00 pm at the former Teachers College.

Thank you to Audrey Jordan and Anne Marie LeBlanc for the delicious goodies after the meeting.

Moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Margaret Dawe to adjourn the meeting.

These minutes have been APPROVED.

### Full Council Meeting

August 15, 2008

A Full Council Meeting was held in the first floor Common Room, Davis Hall, of the Community College on Friday August 15, 2008, at 3:15 pm. The president David Pottie chaired the meeting. Others present at the meeting were: Anne Marie LeBlanc, Dorinda McCully, Margaret Dawe, Don Willett, Helen MacDonald, Sandy MacDougall, Rosella MacDonald, Robert Jordan, and Sue Kent.

Robert Jordan said he needed someone to help handout registration forms for the pre-1948 classes, and the classes of 1948 and 1968.

Sandy MacDougall and Dorinda McCully will help by passing out the envelopes to those who have pre-registered. Robert Jordan will register those who have not registered yet.

The microphone we will need for Saturday night is already at the College. The hotel will have one for tonight.

Eric Bent will introduce David White, our speaker for tonight, and Sandy Mac-

Dougall will thank him. David was the last principal of the Nova Scotia Teachers College.

Sandy MacDougall reported that the Geocaching Event planned for the weekend cannot take place as it was going to end at the Old Normal College Building, and it is too close to a cache that exists in the Library.

The Normal College Building will be open tomorrow from 1 - 3 pm.

Helen MacDonald, Rosella MacDonald, and Anne Marie LeBlanc will collect the meal tickets.

Robert Jordan received letters from the Honorable Karen Casey, Minister of Education, and Mayor Bill Mills. He will read them at the Official Opening this evening, and again tomorrow at the Annual Meeting.

Someone at the Community College will change the sign out front to read, "WELCOME TO THE NSTC ALUMNI".

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm. These minutes have been APPROVED.

### Annual Meeting

August 16, 2008

The Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association of the NSTC was held in the Soloan Dining Hall, Saturday Aug. 16, 2008 at 9:00 am. The president David Pottie opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to the reunion.

#### ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Roy Rideout and seconded by Margaret Dawe to adopt the agenda as circulated. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Russell Dowe seconded by Helen MacDonald to approve the minutes of the 2008 Annual Meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

#### MINUTE OF SILENCE

A minute of silence was observed for the alumni members who have passed away since our last reunion.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

Sue Kent read a letter from Connie Veinotte expressing her regrets for not being able to attend the reunion, as her husband is not well. She enclosed her area representative report for Kings - Annapolis. It will be read later in the meeting.

David Pottie read letters from the Honorable Karen Casey, Minister of Education, and Mayor Bill Mills. They both extended warm wishes to the NSTC Alumni, and hoped it would be a successful and enjoyable reunion for all who attended.

## BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

**Building Fund**—David Pottie reported that the Building Fund started with a \$10,000 donation from Dr. Jane Norman. It is held by the Friends of The Little White Schoolhouse Museum in a separate account. There is nothing on paper to say it belongs to the NSTC Alumni. We decided we should do something about that, so we looked into having it in our name. We discovered in the process that the LWSH can't hand it over to us, as one charity can't give to another charity.

The Executive Council is recommending we set up a committee between the Friends of the LWSH Museum and the NSTC Alumni to best decide how to look after this money.

This committee would consist of some members of the Board of the LWSH and the President and Treasurer of the NSTC Alumni.

It was suggested that the LWSH dues be paid by the Alumni Association for the President and Treasurer of the NSTC who will be on the committee to control the spending of the money.

It was moved by Anne Marie LeBlanc and seconded by Dorinda McCully to pay the dues to the LWSH Museum on behalf of the president and treasurer of the NSTC. Motion carried.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert Jordan reported that the total cash on hand for the year ending De-

ember 31, 2007 is as follows:

Investments	\$11,500.00
Current Account	<u>\$6,106.89</u>
Total cash on hand	\$17,606.89

Robert reported that he cut the postage for the Newsletter by about 1/2, because he sent a lot of them by e-mail.

Robert said the report was audited by Harold Barkhouse.

It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Don Willett to adopt the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

### MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Robert Jordan reported that we had 128 members registered for the reunion. We have 64 ten-year life members, 23 ten year full Members, 79 members paid up for 2009. He also reported that we had 49 members for 2008, and 114 for 2006-07.

It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Phyllis Leadbeater to accept the membership report as presented. Motion carried.

It was moved by Robert Jordan and seconded by Anne Marie LeBlanc that we grant Life Membership to those who have graduated 50 years ago, or more, and to those receiving a full service pension. Motion carried.

### PUBLICATION COMMITTEE-NEWSLETTER

Sandy MacDougall reported that he took over as Newsletter Editor Aug. 1, 2007. When he had the Newsletter ready, he sent it to Robert Jordan for reproduction and distribution.

Besides the Newsletter that Robert Jordan sent by mail and e-mail, Sandy

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Colour and black & white editions may be viewed and/or downloaded.

had it posted in colour and black and white on the website.

Sandy said it was important for members to send him information, ideas for articles, notices, class notes, or anything they thought might be appropriate to print. He said he would be delighted if he had too much material and had to edit or choose what to put in the Newsletter.

He already has a couple of items for next year.

### PUBLICATION COMMITTEE-WEBSITE

Along with Owen Parker ('86), Sandy has developed and administered the website for several years. Generally he looks after the content of the site, and Owen takes care of the technical business as well as developing new improved ways of presenting information. Owen also donates the website space and server functions. Currently the site is getting over 550 visitors each month.

The Little White Schoolhouse has digitized all their class pictures, and Sandy hopes to be able to put them on the website soon.

### PUBLICATION COMMITTEE-FACEBOOK

Facebook is an online social network. Sandy created a NSTC Group in Facebook over a year ago. That group has almost 400 members now. He can send messages to everyone in this group to tell them about the Alumni Association and the Reunions. This year 9 people indicated they would be attending the reunion, 125 indicated they might attend, and many others said they would like to attend, but had other commitments or lived too far away.

It was moved by Sandy MacDougall and seconded by Rosella MacDonald to accept the Publication report as presented. Motion carried.

### PUBLICITY COMMITTEE

Rosella MacDonald reported that in early January she sent information suggesting ways to contact retired teachers and graduates to all the area representatives. She enclosed a sample notice that could be used to send to

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School Boards, retired teacher organizations, and community bulletin boards. Other ways she suggested were NSTU functions, web site, personal contact with people, have announcements on local radio stations, and notices published in local newspapers.

It was moved by Helen MacDonald and seconded by Anne Marie LeBlanc to accept the Publicity report as presented. Motion carried.

#### **REUNION COMMITTEE**

Robert Jordan reported that we have a banner this year. We had to make a \$100.00 deposit to Tex Signs to have it put up. We should get this back when it is taken down. They may store it for us, if not Robert will store it for us. He reported that we don't have as many members registered for the reunion as we had a few years ago, but we have about the same as we had last year. Robert Jordan reported that some of the many jobs that he did each year were taken over by other people this year. Helen MacDonald, Rosella MacDonald, and Anne Marie LeBlanc collected the meal tickets, Sandy MacDougall and Dorinda McCully helped with registration by passing out the envelopes to those who had pre registered. Robert still registered those who were not registered. Sandy MacDougall took over the Newsletter.

It was moved by Margaret Dawe and seconded by Don Willett to accept the reunion report as presented. Motion carried.

#### **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE**

David Pottie reported that Roberta Macnab-James wasn't here so we didn't have a nomination report.

#### **CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE**

Robert Jordan reported that there were no changes to the constitution this year. He said we would have to add the motion that was passed earlier in this meeting which suggested the NSTC Alumni pay the membership fees for the president & treasurer to the LWSH, when the committee is formed to look into managing the Building Fund Money.

#### **BUILDING FUND COMMITTEE**

Gordon Jeffery reported that the account is held in a separate fund. He said that as of March 31, 2008 there was \$51,294.45 in the account. He said there was \$48,305.47 in the account last year.

Don Howlett said it is not clear how to make out the cheques for the Building Fund.

Gordon said make the cheque payable to the Little White Schoolhouse Museum and mark it for the Building Fund. If you write one cheque and want some for the LWSH Museum and some for the Building Fund just say split between the Building Fund and the LWSH Museum.

#### **WEB SITE COMMITTEE**

The web site report is recorded earlier in these minutes, as Sandy gave the report as part of his publication report.

#### **AREA REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS**

##### **DIGBY-CLARE-ARGYLE-YARMOUTH**

Marilyn Burns reported for Larry Fitzgerald. She reported that the announcement of the reunion dates appeared in the Yarmouth Vanguard and the Digby Courier. They were also in the Yarmouth/Argyle Retired Teachers newsletter. Larry's term of office is up. If there are no other names put forward for the position, he is willing to continue for another term.

##### **HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY**

Don Willett reported that in addition to several telephone conversations, he placed notices in the Chronicle-Herald and the Enfield Weekly News. He had a notice on East Link Cablevision and Seaside FM Radio.

He reported that Sandy MacDougall contacted about 20 professional associations of the NSTU, and asked if they would put a notice in the registration packages that are handed out at the October Inservice. About one-half said they would. About 1000 flyers were distributed this way. One person contacted Sandy to get details on the reunion. Sandy also e-mailed all the schools in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

#### **KINGS-ANNAPOLIS**

Connie Veinotte reported that she completed the second year of Albert Johnson's term as Alumni Rep. for Kings-Annapolis. She attended the fall and spring Council Meetings held in Truro.

She promoted the 2008 Reunion as follows:

- e-mailed 30 schools in Annapolis and Kings Counties (e-mail notice was to be forwarded to teachers.)
- sent posters for staff bulletin boards to same 30 schools.
- sent reunion information to NSTC local representatives and RTO Presidents to announce at their respective spring meetings.
- sent a notice to the weekly newspapers in Annapolis and Kings Counties.
- sent a notice to the local radio station (AVR) and East Link Cablevision.

From the alumni list of grads of years ending in "8" she telephoned each one in the valley area for whom a telephone number was obtainable.

She up-dated the alumni list by sending notice of deceased graduates, changes of address etc. to Robert Jordan.

#### **CUMBERLAND-COLCHESTER-EAST HANTS**

Nancy Lou Austin gave the following report. She attended the Full Council Meetings, a special meeting with Friends of the Little White Schoolhouse Museum, and the Annual Meeting all held during the reunion weekend. She was unable to attend the October Meeting and did not receive the notice for the April Meeting.

To publicize the 2008 Reunion she phoned first then sent letters to the Retired Teachers Organizations of Cumberland and Colchester East Hants and the Cumberland NSTU.

In May she attended the Cumberland RTO and reminded them of the NSTC Reunion.

She phoned and e-mailed the following newspapers and radio stations:

- The Truro Daily News
- The Truro Weekly
- The Amherst Citizen
- Amherst Daily News

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Springhill Parrsboro Record  
CKCL and CKDH Radio Stations  
She contacted a lot of people personally with information about the reunion.

Nancy is resigning as Cumberland-Colchester-East Hants Representative. She said Ronald V. MacKay, class of '56 has offered to accept the position.

She said she enjoyed her years as Cumberland-Colchester-East Hants Representative, and found the meetings informative. She said she was proud of the enthusiasm and dedication of the members of the Alumni in keeping the Alumni alive.

She will continue to support the Alumni and attend the annual reunions.

#### **PICTOU-ANTIGONISH-GUYSBOROUGH**

Dorinda McCully reported that announcements were posted at the Antigonish, New Glasgow, and Guysborough Shopping Malls. They were posted in stores in downtown Antigonish, New Glasgow, Sherbrooke, and Guysborough.

Announcements were sent to the Straight Regional School Board and Chignecto-Central School Board to be forwarded to all schools in Antigonish, Pictou and Guysborough Counties.

E-mail notices were sent to Antigonish Retired Teachers Organization, and the following radio stations CJFX, CIGO, and CKEC.

E-mail notices were sent to the following newspapers: Antigonish Casket, Pictou Advocate, Evening News, and Guysborough Journal.

Dorinda also phoned many graduates in years ending in "8" in her area.

#### **INVERNESS-RICHMOND**

Anne Marie LeBlanc reported that she advertised the Reunion through the Inverness Branch of the RTO, the Inverness Newspaper Oran, Co-ops, Credit Unions, Pharmacies, post office, CHET - TV, CKJM Radio Cheticamp, phone calls, and personal contacts.

Elaine Burke, River Bourgeois, Rich-

mond Co., promoted the reunion in her area through notices in church bulletins, CIGO Radio Station, both community TV channels, and the Reporter Newspaper.

Anne Marie thanked Elaine for her usual great help.

#### **NORTHSIDE - VICTORIA-CAPE BRETON**

Rosella MacDonald reported that in early January she sent information suggesting ways to contact active and retired teachers and graduates to all area representatives. She included a sample notice that could be used for school boards, retired teachers organizations, and community bulletins. She placed an article about the NSTC Reunion in the April edition of The Retired Teacher. This information was also published in the April 2008 edition of The Teacher.

Copies of information regarding the 2008 NSTC Reunion were placed in the registration folders for all teachers attending the Retired Teachers Association AGM held in Dundee in May 2008. As well additional copies were made available at the meeting because of the large number of Retired Teachers in attendance.

Reunion information was sent to the Cape Breton Area RTO Groups (Sydney, Glace Bay, New Waterford and Cape Breton County) to be distributed at their regular meetings.

At each RTO Meeting in the Northside-Victoria area there was an opportunity on the agenda to share information about NSTC Alumni Association. Also, retirees were given the opportunity to ask questions.

Registration forms for the reunion were distributed.

All former graduates were encouraged to become members of the Alumni Association, and to make every effort to attend the Reunion, especially when it was a year for their class.

All active teachers in Cape Breton Victoria were notified concerning the 2008 Reunion through notices distributed by means of the School Board Central Office with the approval of the superin-

tendent. This information was to be placed on bulletin boards in the Teachers Room in each school.

Special Thank You to Robert Jordan and Sandy MacDougall for their work in preparing for this reunion.

#### **LUNENBURG-HANTS WEST**

Roberta Macnab-James reported that she sent notices to the local weekly newspapers advertising the NSTC Reunion. She had details of the reunion announced on the local radio station CKBW in Bridgewater on its Community Bulletin Board Program. She spoke about the reunion at the RTO Luncheon in June. She talked to people about the reunion.

#### **SHELBURNE-QUEENS**

Margaret Dawe reported that she gave notices to the NSTU representatives to take back to their schools. She made announcements at the RTO Meetings in Shelburne and Queens. She had announcements on local radio stations, and in the local paper the Coast Guard. She also had personal contacts.

#### **OUT-OF-PROVINCE- ATLANTIC**

Robert Jordan reported for Bernice MacLean. She sent her regrets at not being able to be here. She put a notice about the NSTC Reunion in the Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, and New Brunswick weekly and daily English speaking newspapers.

#### **OUT-OF-PROVINCE - QUEBEC- ON-TARIO**

Robert Jordan reported for Anna Marie Celi. She expressed regrets at not being at the reunion. She was on a trip in Italy. She placed ads about the reunion in two RTO Magazines in Ontario. She thanked Bob for sending her the newsletter. She enjoyed the information and especially the pictures from the 2007 Reunion. She will contact Peggy with information on Seaton Hall. She will contact the same two RTO Magazines next year.

#### **OUT-OF-PROVINCE - WEST**

We do not have an area rep. for this area, thus there was no report.

It was moved by Eric Bent and seconded by Phyllis Leadbeater to accept

the area representatives' reports as presented. Motion carried.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Sue Kent reported that she recorded and wrote up the minutes of the Executive and Full Council Meetings. She thanked Robert Jordan for circulating the minutes and for all the work he does all year long. She also thanked Eric and Joan Bent for looking after the silent auction again this year. She also thanked Sandy MacDougall for the great job he does with the web site.

It was moved by Sue Kent and seconded by Rosella MacDonald to accept the secretary's report as circulated. Motion carried.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

David Pottie reported that the Alumni is still looking for a place to store the NSTC Alumni artifacts. He said the Town of Truro is hoping to fix the Old Normal College building. It will take a lot of money to fix it. The town has been looking at ways to raise some money to do this. They will rent out space to different organizations when the work is finished. We have written to the town to ask for space when the renovations are done.

David thanked Robert Jordan for all he does for the Alumni, and for his support over the years. He also thanked the Full Executive for their support during his years as president. He thanked Sandy MacDougall for setting up the web site, and taking over the organization of the newsletter.

David's report is written in more detail in the newsletter.

Moved by David Pottie and seconded by Nancy Lou Austin to accept the President's Report as presented. Motion carried.

#### APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

It was moved by Eric Bent seconded by Don Willett that we appoint Harold Barkhouse as auditor for the year 2009. Motion carried.

#### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

David Pottie conducted the election of officers. The results were as follows:

President - Helen MacDonald '61  
Vice-President - Sandy MacDougall '85  
Kings-Annapolis - Maxine Bezanson '55  
Halifax Regional Municipality - Don Willett '55  
Cumberland-Colchester-East Hants - Ronald V. MacKay '56  
Northside-Victoria-Cape Breton - Rosella MacDonald '53  
Digby-Clare-Argyle-Yarmouth - Larry Fitzgerald '79

#### NEW BUSINESS

Don Willett thanked David Pottie for the work he has done for the good of the NSTC Alumni during his 4 years as president.

Anne Marie LeBlanc thanked Gordon Jeffery for his continuing work with the Little White Schoolhouse.

Sandy MacDougall also thanked Gordon Jeffery for his work at the LWSH and for looking after the class pictures over the years. He is pleased that they have digitized all their class pictures.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Robert Jordan made the following announcements:

- There will be a public swim at the pool this afternoon from 1 to 3:30 pm.
- Be sure to visit the Silent Auction set up at the Little White Schoolhouse.
- Class pictures will be taken following the Annual Meeting.
- The Geocaching event has been canceled.
- Don't forget to get your 50/50 tickets.
- The reception will be at 6:00 pm tonight followed by the Banquet at 6:30 pm.
- The church service will be tomorrow morning at St. John's Anglican Church at 10:00 am.

Eric Bent adjourned the meeting at 10:15 am

These minutes have NOT BEEN APPROVED.

We're on the web:  
[nsteacherscollege.ca](http://nsteacherscollege.ca)

## Full Council Meeting

August 16, 2008

A Full Council Meeting was held following the Annual Meeting. The meeting was chaired by the president David Pottie. Others present at the meeting were: Anne Marie LeBlanc, Maxine Bezanson, Eric Bent, Sandy MacDougall, Helen MacDonald, Margaret Dawe, Dorinda McCully, Rosella MacDonald, Robert Jordan, Don Willett, and Sue Kent.

Sue Kent welcomed Maxine Bezanson to the executive.

David Pottie reported that he received a lot of positive comments about Friday eve. It was nice to be able to get together with former faculty of PNC and NSTC.

#### NEW BUSINESS

It was moved by Rosella MacDonald and seconded by Margaret Dawe that we give Robert Jordan an honorarium of \$3,000.00 for all the work he did during the year. Motion carried.

It was moved by Eric Bent and seconded by Dorinda McCully that effective October 7, 2008 the signing officers for the NSTC Alumni be Robert Jordan, Helen MacDonald, and Sue Kent. Motion carried.

It was agreed that the following people would act as chairpersons for the following committees:

Membership and Life Membership - Robert Jordan  
Publication - Sandy MacDougall  
Publicity - Rosella MacDonald  
Reunion - Robert Jordan and Sandy MacDougall  
Nominations - David Pottie  
Constitution - David Pottie  
Building Fund - Robert Jordan and Helen MacDonald  
Web Site - Sandy MacDougall

#### REUNION

Robert Jordan will check with the Gleggarry, and book the rooms we need for next year.

It was suggested we have background music on Friday evening. We could have CD's or a Video.

Robert Jordan will check to see if The Friends of the LWSH will appoint Eric Bent as Liaison between the Friends of the LWSH and the NSTC Alumni.

We need someone to organize the Friday night activities for the 2009 reunion, also Saturday afternoon and evening. We should start the Friday night Official Opening and reception at 7:30 pm rather than 8:00 pm.

Robert Jordan will look after registration. It will start at 6:00 pm.

The next NSTC Alumni Meeting will be Saturday Oct. 18, 2008, at 1:00 pm at Robert Jordan's.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 am. These minutes have been APPROVED.

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### Executive Meeting October 18, 2008

An Executive Meeting was held at the home of Robert and Audrey Jordan on Saturday October 18, 2008 at 12:30 PM. The president Helen MacDonald chaired the meeting. Others present at the meeting were: Sandy MacDougall, David Pottie, Robert Jordan, Rosella MacDonald, and Sue Kent.

It was moved by David Pottie seconded by Robert Jordan to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2008 Executive meeting as circulated. Motion carried.

We had a discussion about the Registry of Joint Stock.

It was suggested we should have an Alumni Member on the Nova Scotia Teachers College Educational Trust. This will also be discussed in the Full Council Meeting that will follow this meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM. These minutes have NOT BEEN APPROVED.

### Full Council Meeting October 18, 2008

A Full Council Meeting of the Alumni Association of the NSTC was held at the home of Robert and Audrey Jordan on Saturday October 18, 2008, at 1:00 PM. The meeting was conducted by the president Helen MacDonald. Others present at the meeting were: Margaret Dawe, Maxine Bezanson, Rosella MacDonald, Dorinda McCully, David Pottie, Eric Bent, Sandy MacDougall, Roberta Macnab-James, Larry Fitzgerald, Robert Jordan, Anne Marie LeBlanc, and Sue Kent.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Roberta Macnab-James seconded by Anne Marie LeBlanc to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

It was moved by Rosella MacDonald and seconded by Robert Jordan to approve the minutes of the April 26, August 15, and August 16 Full Council Meetings as circulated. Motion carried.

#### REVIEW OF REUNION 2008

##### (A) THANKS:

Helen MacDonald expressed thanks to David Pottie for his leadership and work he did for the Alumni during his term as president.

Helen also thanked Sandy MacDougall and Robert Jordan for the work they did preparing for the reunion and during the reunion.

She thanked Eric and Joan Bent for setting up the Silent Auction and looking after it during the reunion.

She thanked everyone else who had helped with the reunion in any way. She wrote thank you letters or e-mailed those on the Full Council, and also the following people, businesses etc: David White, NSCC conferences Janice Stewart, NSCC residence people Patrick Colley, NSCC Food Services Bill Myles, Band - David Mingo, Glengarry Hotel Donna Tyrell, Town James

Langille, and St. John Anglican Church Rev. Lori Ramsey.

#### (B) FINANCIAL

Robert Jordan gave the following Reunion Financial Report:

Total taken in	\$9033.00
Total paid out	<u>\$7099.50</u>
Profit	\$1933.50

Robert hasn't received a bill for the rooms yet. We did lose some on the breakfast, but we made up for it in other areas, and made a profit overall.

Moved by Robert Jordan seconded by David Pottie to adopt the financial report as presented. Motion carried.

#### (C) SPEAKER

The speaker was David White, the last principal of the NSTC. The reports on the speaker were positive.

Murray Baillie has done a write up on David White for our 2009 Newsletter. A discussion took place about presenting a gift to the speakers. One suggestion was having a picture or pewter ornament of the NSTC and the Provincial Normal College and mount them in one frame.

#### (D) OTHER

We did well with the Silent Auction and the 50/50 draw. We plan to do both of these again next year.

#### (E) RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) Friday night went well but it was suggested we should have background music after the speaker has finished talking. This could be in the form of someone playing, tapes, or CD's.
- (2) It was suggested we have better signs to tell people where to go for the different activities, Sandy MacDougall will look after this.
- (3) Robert Jordan will check to see if we can have a welcome sign for the NSTC Alumni, on the Community College Display Board.
- (4) It was suggested we have punch set up before the banquet.

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(5) Some people do not pre-register for the banquet. It was suggested that those people visit until those who have pre-registered are seated, then take the seats that are left.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Robert Jordan had a letter from Murray Baillie. He mentioned that the National Celebration of Acadian People is Aug. 15, 2009 which is during the time of the NSTC Alumni Reunion. He suggested we have some recognition of Acadian People at our 2009 reunion.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Helen MacDonald mentioned an article that was in the Cape Breton Post. It was about the NSTC Alumni Reunion. In the article 91 year old Catherine Urquhart, who attended the reunion, said she talked to many people including Sandy MacDougall.

Helen also mentioned an article in The Truro Daily News by Colin MacLean. He interviewed Sue Kent about the reunion, her time at Normal College, and her teaching career.

Helen said she attended the Building Fund Meeting in Truro on Oct.7th. She mentioned that Sandy MacDougall will continue to do the Newsletter. If you have any items of interest for the Newsletter, please send them to Sandy.

Helen also said if you read an obituary of anyone who graduated from the Normal College or the NSTC to let Sandy MacDougall know, or if you hear of anyone who passed away, please send Sandy the following information: person's name, age if you know it, date of birth, when they went to college, and where they lived. He will put this information in the Newsletter.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Robert Jordan gave the following treasurer's report:

Investments	\$12,312.00
Current Account	\$5,180.60
Total cash on hand	\$17,492.60

Moved by Robert Jordan; seconded by Larry Fitzgerald to adopt the treasurer's report as printed. Motion carried.

**MEMBERSHIP**

Robert Jordan gave the following membership report:

Membership paid for

Year	Life	Full	Total
2006-07	166	65	231
2007-08	4	1	5
2008	167	64	231
2009	73	9	82

Ten year memberships

Year	Life	Full	Total
2006-16	16	39	55
2007-17	6	18	24
2008-18	8	1	9

Moved by Robert Jordan; seconded by Margaret Dawe to adopt the membership report as presented. Motion carried.

**NORMAL COLLEGE**

Robert Jordan reported that the Town of Truro is looking for people or groups to rent space in the Normal College Building, The NSTC Alumni has applied for space there to store our artifacts. The town will let us know if we can rent space.

Robert also reported that Lenore Zann has approached Truro Town Council with the idea of setting up a school for the performing arts. She has presented the idea to the Department of Education. They are in favour of it. She has approached some collages to see about working in conjunction with them. Dalhousie University has agreed to give 2 years credit to anyone who has gone through Lenore's program.

It will take about \$3.5 million to fix the Normal College Building. Lenore is in the process of speaking with different government organizations trying to find programs, which might be able to provide funding for the repairs.

If Lenore gets permission to use the Normal College Building for a performing arts theatre, she would agree to the NSTC Alumni renting space there also. We would use our Building Fund Money to pay the rent.

The Town of Truro will give tax receipts if Lenore can get the money to get this project going.

The Marigold Group is already established in Truro. If Lenore can get her training school going, it should complement the Marigold Group.

**MATERIALS AT WILLOW STREET**

Helen MacDonald reported that a group of people had looked at the items stored at Willow Street School. She said they should be sorted, and decide what we should save and what we should throw out.

There are a lot of books there. Gordon Jeffery will sort through the books to see what to save and what to scrap.

It was decided a group of people consisting of Eric Bent, Robert Jordan, David Pottie and R.V. MacKay sort through the things at Willow St. School.

Eric Bent suggested that someone from the Industrial Arts Dept. should also be on the committee. Alan Randall was suggested. Eric Bent will check with Allan to see if he will serve on the committee.

Oct. 22nd at 10:00 am was the date and time for the committee to sort through the items at Willow St. School.

**PUBLICITY**

Rosella MacDonald said we should contact the graduates of the years ending in 9 as soon as possible. She said since we all have a list of these people we should look through it, and if we know any of these people, we should contact them, or pass the information on to the chairperson for that year. She also said that the area reps. did a good job of getting the information out to the graduates.

Sandy MacDougall contacted the special associations of the NSTU, eg. Music, Phys. Ed., Home Economics, Industrial Arts, etc. Some have indicated that they will put notices of the NSTC Alumni in their registration packages for the upcoming October Inservice. Sandy had a sample of the notice he sent to these organizations.

**REUNION COMMITTEE 2009**

The dates set for the 2009 reunion are August 14-16. The Best Western has already been booked. It was moved by

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David Pottie seconded by Eric Bent that Robert Jordan and Sandy MacDougall be co-chairs for the 2009 Reunion. Motion carried.

#### **SPEAKER**

Some suggestions for the Friday night speaker were: The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Joseph Kennedy, Margaret Swan, Nova Bannerman, Cameron Jess, Chalmers Doane, and Lenore Zann.

Robert Jordan will contact Lenore Zann to see if she will be our guest speaker.

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court Joseph Kennedy will be asked if Lenore is not available.

We will schedule the guest speaker for 7:30 pm rather than 8:00 pm. We will have a gift to present to the speaker. It was also suggested we invite the speaker to the banquet on Saturday night.

Sandy MacDougall was thinking we should have tables and chairs set up for Friday evening.

It was suggested the refreshments be set out after the guest speaker is finished speaking, also have tea and coffee available.

It was also suggested we have quiet music in the background.

Sandy MacDougall will contact the band for Saturday night.

#### **SILENT AUCTION**

Eric Bent said it is better to have the silent auction items in before the weekend, so the sheets can be made up before the reunion.

David Pottie has a hooked rug by Kathleen Gorman. We hope to sell tickets on this. We need to get permission to use the Little White Schoolhouse charitable number for tickets. David Pottie will bring the mat up, and Robert Jor-

dan will check on tickets.

#### **FURTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

Eric Bent suggested that we recognize not only the 9 years, but also certain groups e.g. Music, Industrial Arts, Home Economics, and Physical Education.

It was suggested we recognize Industrial Arts at the reunion in 2009.

Helen MacDonald will contact Roy Rideout to see if he will assist in organizing the Industrial Arts Group.

Names that were mentioned for Industrial Arts were: Robert Danson, Allan Randall, Bernie MacDonald, Ross Allen, and Daryl Hayes.

Sandy MacDougall will contact the former faculty of the NSTC and invite them to the reunion.

We have chair-people for the following years:

1959-Sue Kent

1969-Lois Mussleman

1979-Jan Carruthers

1989-David Pottie will contact the graduates of 1989

Sandy MacDougall said we still have a couple of people who attend the reunion from 1939. He will contact them to see if one of them would be the chair person for their year.

Maxine Bezanson will contact Russell Dowe to see if he will be the chairperson for 1949.

It was suggested we have a display of dances over the years. The Truro Dance Academy can't do this, so it was suggested Lenore Zann might be interested in doing this Saturday afternoon.

Sandy MacDougall sent a letter to the Wine Growers Association to see if any of them would be interested in setting up a wine tasting event for Saturday afternoon.

The only person he heard back from was Mr. Stutz from Grand Pré Winery.

Mr. Stutz said if you had a wine tasting event, they would talk about the different wines and people would have to listen. If you had a wine and cheese reception, they wouldn't have to listen to anyone talking.

They would do a wine tasting event for about 25 people. The cost would be \$5.00 a person. They would set up 2 classes for wine tasting, if we had enough people interested.

The group was interested in the wine tasting class.

Sandy MacDougall will check with Mr. Stutz to find out more about it.

Helen MacDonald will check with Johnsons Insurance and the Teachers Credit Union to see if they would donate about 200 items for gift bags.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **REGISTRY OF JOINT STOCK**

There was discussion regarding being registered with the Registry of Joint Stock. It was suggested we should pursue this.

Moved by Robert Jordan seconded by Roberta Macnab-James that we register with the Registry of Joint Stock. Motion carried.

##### **REGARDING BY-LAW No. 10**

Moved by David Pottie seconded by Margaret Dawe that we contact David White to see what is necessary for us to have an Alumni member on the NSTC Educational Trust Committee. Motion carried.

Out next meeting will be Saturday April 25, 2009.

Roberta Macnab-James moved the meeting adjourn at 3:50 pm. These minutes have NOT BEEN APPROVED.

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## **Industrial Arts Program Honoured**

Each year the "decade classes" are honoured at the Annual Reunion. This year Reunion organizers have decided to add an "Honoured Program" as well as the

years. The first program to be honoured this way is Industrial Arts. So please, pass word along to all graduates of the Industrial Arts program (in its various names) that this is their year to be honoured regardless of the year they graduated!👍



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## ◆ ◆ Reunion 2009 ◆ ◆

### Friday, August 14, 2009

Check-in at Best Western Glengarry Hotel, Truro

4:00 pm - Davis Hall Residence opens

6:00-8:00 pm - Reunion Registration at Best Western Glengarry

7:30 pm - Official Opening of Reunion 2009 with Guest Speaker, actress Lenore Zann

#### Faculty Event

This was a success in 2008, so it is on again in 2009 - Friday evening.

8:00 pm - Faculty/Staff Tribute - A great time to thank those who helped us through our years at NSNC/NSTC.

8:30 pm - Pub-night - Mix and mingle, socialize

with old friends, catch up, make new friends—if you play an instrument, bring it along—have a jam!

#### Friday notes:

- The Best Western Glengarry Hotel has a special rate for Alumni Reunion weekend. More information on page 27.
- Staying in Davis Hall? Bring a fan if the weather is warm or an extra blanket if weather is cool. Towels and linens are provided.
- If you pre-register and stay in Davis Hall, your registration package will be there for you.
- No supper provided on site on Friday.
- Friday evening activities are all at the Best Western Glengarry.
- Cash bar available for Friday evening events.

### Saturday, August 15, 2009

7:00-8:30 am - Breakfast in Cafeteria (college campus)

9:00 am - Annual Meeting in Cafeteria

10:00-11:00 am - Executive Meeting in Cafeteria

11:30 am - Class photos on steps of gym (inside gym if weather is poor)

12:30 pm - Lunch in Cafeteria

Afternoon - Time to wander around the campus, participate in first AANSTC Geocaching event (see 1:00 pm), attend class meetings or activities, visit old haunts, shop, visit the old campus (downtown) or the Little White Schoolhouse Museum, browse the Silent Auction or participate in a scheduled activity

#### Geocache Event

We're going to try this again - hopefully we'll launch a new Geocache in Truro on Saturday afternoon - Geocachers come prepared!

1:00 pm - Alumni Association Geocaching event (details on page 27)

1:30 pm - Wine Tasting by Grand Pré Winery - Join

#### New for 2009

A **Wine Tasting** and a **Dance Demo** have been added as activities for Saturday afternoon!

us for a relaxing and informative session where you will learn about and enjoy some Nova Scotian wine

2:45 pm - Dance, Dance, Dance - Come out for this fun-filled demonstration of popular dances through the decades. Join in for a

Charleston, Foxtrot, Swing, Jitterbug, Hand Jive, Twist, the Hustle, some Break Dancing or a Line Dance! This should be a really fun time!

6:00 pm - Reception and Social in Cafeteria

6:30 pm - Dinner and Awards

8:30 pm - Institute Night/Coffee

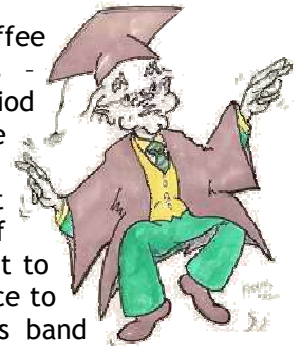
House/Tunes & Tankards - Depending on the time period

you attended, one of these terms may roughly represent what you can expect on Saturday evening. If

you have a talent you want to share, bring it along. Dance to

Jim Aylward ('91) and his band *Sweet Revenge*. This is bound to

be an evening of fun for everyone - there will be prizes too!!



#### Saturday Notes:

- The afternoon is a great time to get together with friends and relax. If you need a space to meet, check with one of the Reunion organizers who will be glad to help.
- There are also several organized activities that you may choose to attend - space is somewhat limited, so they will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis and a small fee may be charged.
- Cash bar is available for the Social, Dinner and into the evening.
- The Truro Centennial Pool, adjacent to the college campus, may be open in the afternoon for a public swim. We will let you know when you arrive.

### Sunday, August 16, 2009

Breakfast on your own locally. Best Western Glengarry has a buffet you may want to visit.

Time TBA - Special Church Service.

As we get closer to the Reunion, please check the website for more details and final plans!!

## Reunion 2009 Coordinators and Class Chairs

Class Chairs are a very important part of the success of each Reunion. These people spend many hours trying to contact fellow graduates from the honoured years. As the winter and spring months slide by, the various Class Chairs will be making every effort to contact you if you graduated in a

**Coordinators** Bob Jordan, '70  
Sandy MacDougall, '85  
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Class of '39** Ruth Daniels  
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Windsor NS B0N 2T0  
798-8881

Beulah Shaw  
RR #2, Poplar Grove  
Newport NS B0N 2A0  
757-2564

**Chair—  
Class of '49** Russell Dowe  
17 Gaspereau Avenue  
Wolfville NS B4P 2C3  
542-3757

**Chair—  
Class of '59** Sue (MacKay) Kent  
2930 Dublin Street  
Halifax NS B3L 3K9  
455-7677

'9' year—namely 1939, 1949, 1959, 1969, 1979 or 1989. You can help them in two ways:

- Use the list below to contact them if they have not contacted you yet
- Pass news of the Alumni Association and upcoming Reunion to your friends who are PNC/ NSTC Alumni

We look forward to seeing many of you at the Reunion in August! ☺

**Chair—  
Class of '69** Lois (Urquhart) Mussleman  
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Wasaga ON L9Z 3B6  
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**Chairs—  
Class of '79** Jan (MacArthur) Carruthers  
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Larry Fitzgerald  
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**Chair—  
Class of '89** Andrea (Fifield) Coreschi  
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Conquerall Bank NS B4V OH1  
527-1476  
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**Industrial  
Arts Program** Contact the Coordinators

## Alumni Who Served their Country

The Little White Schoolhouse Museum has compiled data on Alumni who served in the First World War.

They now want to start collecting similar data on Alumni who served in the Second World War, Korea or any other conflict. If you know of such Alumni please forward as much of the following details as possible to Newsletter@nsteacherscollege.ca (or mail it to the address on page 2): full name, service, service number, home location. The more complete the information, the easier it will be to verify and document, but any information will be helpful.

[www.nsteacherscollege.ca](http://www.nsteacherscollege.ca)

## We need you!

Do you have something to contribute to the Newsletter? Story ideas, an obituary notice, an update for Class & Faculty Notes, a special story you'd like to share? Well, we want to hear from you! Send your contributions to:

Newsletter@nsteacherscollege.ca

Or perhaps you have something for the Website—a comment, photo, historical information? We want that too! Send those to:

WebAdmin@nsteacherscollege.ca

In either case, you can also drop us a note to the address on page 2.

### Little White Schoolhouse Museum

(Located at 20 Arthur Street)  
PO Box 1252  
Truro NS B2N 5N2  
902-895-5170

Organizations or individuals that have contributed to the "Building Fund" of the 'Little White Schoolhouse Museum Project' for the year 2008:

Maxine Bezanson  
Beverly Boon  
Roderick Boutilier ('50)  
Mr. & Mrs. Russell Dowe  
Eleanor Greeno  
Norman Hamilton  
Donald J. Hollett  
Dr. Gordon Jeffrey  
Sue Kent (3)  
Phyllis Leadbeater  
Anne Marie LeBlanc  
Rose Marie Lowthier ('39)  
Constance A. MacDonald  
Helen MacDonald ('61)  
Sandy MacDougall  
Jeannie E. McInnis  
Dave Pottie  
Mr. & Mrs. Roy Rideout  
Eleanor Saulnier  
Marg Swan  
Donald Willett ('55)

The fund being supported by each donation is noted at the bottom of the receipt for income tax purposes. When making a donation, please state which fund (Building Fund or Friend of the Museum) is being supported.



### Best Western Glengarry Special Reunion Weekend Rate

\$135.00 /night 1-2 people per room  
\$12.00 each additional adult

Booking must be made by July 14, 2009

Quote "Alumni Reunion" to get the special price

Make reservations directly

902-893-4311 or 1-800-567-4276

### Silent Auction

The Silent Auction has become a tradition at our reunions. It usually contains items ranging in value from \$25 to \$100 and more. We urge you to support the Auction either as a donor or

buyer... or BOTH!!  
If you have anything you'd like to donate (crafts, collectibles, art, antiques, home made goods—it's up to you) please drop us a note or email us at the addresses on page 2.

### What is Geocaching?



Geocaching is an adventure game for GPS users. The idea is to have individuals and organizations set up caches all over the world and share the locations of these caches on the internet. GPS users can use the location coordinates to find the caches. More information is available at [geocaching.com](http://geocaching.com). A Reunion 2009 Geocaching Event is being planned! (see page 25)

## Nominations for Offices for Alumni Association of NSTC

The following will become vacant this year and nominations for these offices will be accepted from Alumni Members up to and including the Annual Meeting held in Truro on August 15, 2009. Term of office is two years:

Office

Secretary  
Treasurer

Area Representatives

Shelburne-Queens  
Lunenburg-Hants West  
Pictou-Antigonish-Guysborough  
Inverness-Richmond  
Out-of-Province—Quebec & Ontario  
Out-of-Province—Atlantic  
Out-of-Province—West

You may use the form on the back of this page and mail written nominations to:

Nomination Committee  
Alumni Association of NSTC  
PO Box 1252  
Truro NS B2N 5N2

## Faculty Honoured at 2008 Reunion

Reunion 2008 saw the introduction of a new event. We contacted many past faculty and invited them to attend the Official Opening and Guest Speaker's address on Friday night of the Reunion.

After David White addressed the group, the faculty were introduced and then mingled with Alumni to chat and catch up.

This was a very successful event. "You better do this again next year, because I intend to be here", said Harold Stewart who attended with his wife Sheila.

Other faculty in attendance included: David McKillop, Karen Casey, Glen Pierce, Margaret MacKenzie, Ross Allen, Gordon Jeffrey, Daryl Hayes, Eric Bent, Dorothy Walker-Robbins, Marg Swan, Harvey MacPhee, David White, Keith Kerr, Thomas Acker, Malcolm MacLeod, and John Grant; with regrets from Neil Fisher, Roberta (Sarty) Macnab-James, Archie Killawee, Doug Grant and Leslie MacKillop.

The Faculty Event is scheduled for Friday evening of Reunion 2009. Please help us by passing word along to faculty members. Invitations will be sent to those for whom we have contact information, but all faculty are welcome.

## The "Building Fund"

Before Dr. Jane Norman died, she left \$10,000 to the Alumni Association earmarked as a "Building Fund." After the money was received The Friends of the Little White Schoolhouse Association (FLWSA) was asked to hold the money (and other funds that were later added to it) because the FLWSA is a registered charity and was able to issue receipts for income tax purposes.

It was understood that this money—generally referred to as the "Building Fund"—would be used to preserve and promote the history of NSTC, NSNC, PNC & PNS. While the amount of this fund has increased considerably, it is nowhere near enough to use toward buying or building a significant structure.

It became apparent to the Alumni Association that this money could not be handed back to us by the FLWSA because one not-for-profit organization cannot give money to another not-for-profit organization. In order to effectively direct the use of the funds, a committee has been formed with membership from both the Alumni Association and the FLWSA.

We hold artefacts and materials that have been in storage for several years. It is the hope of the Alumni Association to eventually have a place to organize, catalogue and display these artefacts. If you have ideas, suggestions or offers of help to this end, please contact a member of the FLWSA or the Alumni Association.

**Reunion 2009**  
**August 14-16**

## Nomination Form

Offices and Area Representatives that become vacant this year are listed on the back of this form (see page 27). All positions are for a term of two years.

I hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ of the class of \_\_\_\_\_

for the Area Representative for \_\_\_\_\_

or Office of \_\_\_\_\_ for the term of office 2010-2012.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This form may be mailed to the address on page 27 or passed to the Secretary up to, and including, the Annual Meeting on August 15, 2009.