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**Welcome to
All New Retirees**

We extend a warm welcome to all new members of our Association and encourage you to get involved. You'll find participating in Division activities is an enjoyable way to begin your retirement, especially since so many of your friends are already members.

**CENTRAL DIVISION
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Calvin G. Wheeler
Botwood

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE
CUSTODIAN**
Calvin G. Wheeler

Meeting Dates 2012

April 18, 2012
Regular Meeting

May 23, 2012
Regular Meeting

June 5, 2012
Banquet & Dance

September 19, 2012
General Meeting

October 2-4, 2012
BGM and Reunion

October 17, 2012
Sale & Auction

November 21, 2012
Regular Meeting

The meetings are held at Hotel Gander at 11:00 a.m. on the meeting date above unless notified in advance.

**RETIRED TEACHERS'
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PRAYER

May God grant you always...
A sunbeam to warm you
A moonbeam to charm you
A sheltering angel so
Nothing can harm you...
Laughter to cheer you
Faithful friends near you
And whenever you pray,
Heaven to hear you.

An Irish Blessing

Editor's Notes

We would like to extend greetings and best wishes to all of our readers. It is a special pleasure to be doing the CORNUCOPIA each year. A special welcome is extended to all those who are new to retirement and receiving their first copy of the CORNUCOPIA. This year we are publishing Volume 28. It is prepared for retired teachers to exchange stories, memories, poems and other items of information. It also serves to help retired teachers see the work done by their Association in Central Newfoundland.

Compiling enough information for the Cornucopia is difficult most years so we would appreciate it if teachers, retired or otherwise, would contribute any articles they wish to send. We will print memories you have from your past teaching, related verses or stories that you have written, pictures and/or write-up of any of your travels, or, indeed, any items that you wish to share with your fellow teachers, retired or active. We will also print any tribute that you might write for a past or present colleague.

We have just completed Volume 2 of the Remembrance Book for Central Division. It includes deceased teachers who have taught in the Central Region or were born here but taught in other places. There are about seventy more obituaries to be written for a Volume 3 when we can get enough information. This is where we need your help. If you are aware of any teacher who is deceased from the Central Region – even if he/she taught for one year, please contact us. You could complete an information sheet that we have included at the back of the Cornucopia, write a tribute, or suggest a family member that we could contact for information to complete an obituary.

Please send information that you would wish to have published to Calvin G. Wheeler, P.O. Box 444, Botwood, NL, A0H 1E0.

President's Report

This is my first report as the President of RTANL Central Division. I have a dual role as President of Central Division and also Vice-President of the Provincial Association.

At our Annual General Meeting in September we elected a new executive for a two year term 2011-13. They are: Thomas Kendell, Grand Falls-Windsor, President; Gerald Giles, Port Blandford, Vice-President; Malba Butt, Gander, Treasurer; and Donald Carter, Gander, Communications Officer. Jim Warren from Gander was appointed to fill the vacancy of Secretary. By a notice of motion at our September meeting the chairs of the Remembrance Book Committee and the Cornucopia Newsletter were added to the Executive at our October Meeting.

During the past year we had our regular and executive meetings in April, May, September, October, and November. In June we had our 31st Annual Banquet and Dance at Hotel Gander which was very well attended. The master of ceremonies was Past President Philip Patey and Geraldine Wall brought greetings from the Provincial Executive. Mr. William (Bill) Day from Clarendville was presented with a plaque for his volunteerism to the Central Division. Bill served on the executive of Central Division and then two years as President. The C. Lloyd Buffett Memorial Award of \$1,000 was presented to the Retired Teachers' Foundation. This award recognizes the late Mr. Buffett for his significant contribution to the creation of the Foundation and to this Division.



In Central Division we endeavor to get guest speakers for the afternoons at our general meetings. In April we had author Bruce Stagg who gave a presentation describing his experiences while writing his book *The Blackwood Schooner*. It was a very interesting and informative presentation that generated many questions from the audience. In May we had well-known gardener and CBC commentator David Morrow from Grand Falls-Windsor who spoke on gardening and climate change. In October we had our Annual Fall Sale and Auction where we raised \$300 for the Retired Teachers' Foundation. I would like to express my thanks and appreciation for those who brought items along for sale and for those who bought them.

In May and September of this year there were meetings throughout our Division by the Public Sector Pensioners Association. Those meetings were organized by local people with presentations by Sharron Callahan and Ralph Morris of the NLPSPA. Those meetings were well attended and retirees expressed their displeasure with Government's position on increases in public pensions. The PAC Committee of Central Division organized the meetings in Grand Falls-Windsor and Gander. I would like to express my thanks to Frances Reid, Mel King, Don Carter and Colin Morris for all their efforts in getting people out to those meetings.

In Central we are publishing a second Book of Remembrance that will be out in the very near future. We published the first edition in 1998 and are ready to print the second edition listing 182 obituaries. These books include the names of teachers, retired or otherwise, who are deceased from Central Newfoundland. Those books will be placed in libraries throughout Central Newfoundland and in the Rooms, St. John's. Thanks to the efforts of retirees, Jim Dobson, Calvin G. Wheeler, Joy Freake and Brenda Blagdon, we have continued to keep the memories of deceased teachers preserved in print.

This year the Executive of Central Division will be working on a constitutional review of our constitution and by-laws. We want to ensure that, as a Division, our by-laws and policies are compatible with other divisions and provincial guidelines.

I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to Calvin Wheeler from Botwood for his work with the Central Division newsletter *Cornucopia*. This newsletter is published once a year and involves much time and effort in putting this all together. It includes Minutes of Meetings, Biographies, Activities, Laughter, Memories, Tributes, Honour Roll and other information for retired teachers. The Honour Roll is a list of members who have passed away since the inception of the Central Division of the Retired Teachers' Association in 1980.

We continue to sell *Tales Told by Teachers Vol. I and Vol. II*. We have them in the Gift Shop at the Central Newfoundland Hospital, at bookstores and around our communities. Copies are available to people who would like a copy by contacting anyone on the Central Division Executive. We are also selling tickets on a Lloyd Pretty print and a Christmas Dinner is planned at Sinbad's Hotel in Gander on January 6, 2012 when the winning ticket will be drawn. All proceeds from this draw will be donated to the Retired Teachers' Foundation.

So we continue to be active and involved as a Division and we are always trying to encourage more retirees to join our ranks. Even though we have our general meetings in Gander any retired teacher from the Grand Falls-Windsor area or west of Gander can obtain a ride by contacting me or anyone on the executive.

On behalf of my executive and our Central Division I would like to wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year.

2011-2013 Executive



President
Thomas Kendell



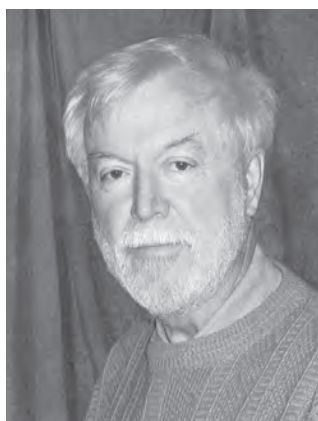
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Gander Representative
Don Carter



Cornucopia Chairman
Book of Remembrance
Custodian Calvin G. Wheeler



Central Retired Teachers' Executive



Executive Revising the By-Laws

Notes from Minutes

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

APRIL Coalition Petition. President Phil passed out a written report to the membership and gave a brief overview of the report. Tom Kendell updated the members on the number of petitions submitted to the House of Assembly.

MAY Tom hasn't asked anyone to serve on the Constitutional Ad hoc Editorial Committee yet. A draft report should be ready before December 2011.

SEPTEMBER President Phil said a good time was had by all at the Annual Banquet and Dance.

OCTOBER Before reading the minutes, Jim Warren, who recently volunteered to accept the position of Secretary stated that he had plenty of time on his hands. He had already served as Secretary of the Division and he owed it to the Division for its honour bestowed on him as Volunteer of the Year in 2001, and also for the Biennial Award at the BGM in 2008.

In our Constitution and By-Laws, Article 11, it states the By-laws may be amended by written notice of motion if it is presented at least one month prior to the General Meeting. Such a motion was made at the meeting on September 25, 2011, when it was moved by Stewart Ralph and seconded by Jim Dobson that the Chairperson of the Book of Remembrance and Chairperson of the Cornucopia Committee will be members of the Division's Executive. After some discussion the motion was carried by a show of hands. Article 5 is now amended to state that "The Officers of the Central Division Retired Teachers' Association shall consist of President, Immediate Past President, Secretary, Treasurer, Communications Officer, Chairperson of the Remembrance Book Committee and the Chairperson of the Cornucopia Committee".

CORRESPONDENCE:

APRIL President Phil received a letter from Geraldine Wall saying she will be attending our June Banquet and Dance.

OCTOBER A letter was received from the Provincial President, Geraldine Wall, from Corner Brook welcoming us back to another year of activities, and thanking us for what we do on behalf of retired teachers in the Province. A brief report was received from the Chair of the Retired Teachers' Foundation. Jim Dobson will give a report later.

NOVEMBER (a) A letter from Coalition of Public Pensioners. This letter was to Minister Thomas W. Marshall from Robert K. Langdon, Chair, Pensioners Coalition requesting a meeting with the Minister. There are two particular issues to be dealt with. They are the holiday period from the payment of pension contributions by Government during the period 1991-1994, and the resultant action that pension payments for these three years were reduced by 1% per year (total 3% compounded over the years ever since). It is hoped that the Minister would be open to scheduling a meeting early in the New Year.

(b) Jim Warren gave a report. (i) He stated that a letter was received from Anne of the Retired Teachers' Foundation regretting a delay, because of a change in address, in acknowledging some donations in memory of Vernie Warren. The total number of donors to the Foundation was 105, and total amount received was \$2,155.00. (ii) A letter re: Teachers' Pensioners was sent to the Premier by Jim on August 31, 2011. Hon. Thomas Marshall responded to the letter for the Premier, in his letter dated November 8, 2011. He stated that with respect to the money that was taken from the Pension Fund to build roads and schools, it has now been repaid with interest. He stated that the Government feels it is appropriate to focus any available resources to assist seniors and low income earners through measures such as enhanced seniors' benefits; low income tax reductions; other reductions in personal income taxes; elimination of sales tax on Insurance; and recently the new energy rebate.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

APRIL Fannie Simms gave the financial report for August 31, 2010 to February 28, 2011 showing total revenues of \$24,897.94 and total expenses \$7,763.36 with a balance of \$17,134.58. Motion: It was moved by Fannie Simms and seconded by Jim Dobson to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Carried.

MAY Malba Butt gave the financial report for August 31, 2010 to April 30, 2011 showing total revenues \$24,897.94 and total expenses \$8,537.71 with total balance \$16,360.33. Voting shares should read as \$142.17. Motion moved by Malba Butt and seconded by Art Symonds to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

SEPTEMBER Malba Butt gave the financial report for August 31, 2010 to August 31, 2011 showing total revenues \$29,773.06 and total expenses \$17,744.67 with total balance \$12,028.39. Voting shares should read as \$142.17. Change Service Fees from \$100.00 to \$120.00 and printing from \$82.40 to \$82.49. Motion: It was moved by Malba Butt and seconded by Gerald Giles to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion Carried. Calvin Wheeler agreed to audit the financial books for this year.

OCTOBER The Treasurer, Malba Butt, was not present. Fanny Simms was filling in for her. She stated that all cheques should be made out to the Foundation. A financial report will be made at the next meeting.

NOVEMBER The Treasurer, Malba Butt, gave a financial statement for the period August 31, 2011 to October 31, 2011. It showed a total Income of \$12,198.39 with Expenditure of \$3,916.47, leaving a balance of \$8,281.92. The report was moved by Malba and seconded by Jim Dobson. Motion carried.

HEALTH OF MEMBERS:

APRIL We can discuss the health of members in our meetings, but due to the privacy act we are not allowed to discuss it outside our meetings.

MAY Deceased members since our last meeting were Ray W. Smith, Fogo and Walter Hunt, Glovertown.

SEPTEMBER Deceased members since our last meeting: Owen Hiscock, Clarendville, Silas Avery, Clarendville, Linda Hynes, Grand Falls-Windsor, John Freake, Lewisporte, Neil Pelley, George's Brook.

OCTOBER: Alan Rogers, Centreville, a retired teacher passed away recently. The funeral was held on October 23, 2011, with Don Carter attending.

NOVEMBER The following teachers are deceased: Alan Rogers, Centreville, Mary Fitzgerald, St. John's, Neta Ruby Martin, Grand Falls-Windsor, Ruby Swyers Wheeler, Botwood, Roy Best, Marystown.

PROVINCIAL REPORT:

APRIL Phil informed the members of the meeting that was held in Marystown with the members of the Burin RTANL. There were approximately 50 people in attendance. The next day the executive met in St. John's with the Division Presidents. The main item on the provincial's agenda was planning for the BGM in 2012.

MAY Tom Kendell and Geraldine Wall will be attending (ACER – CART) in Ottawa on June 2-4, 2011. Two main items on the agenda are pensions and health benefits.

SEPTEMBER Arrangements are being made for 2012 BGM. Next newsletter will have the registration forms for BGM.

OCTOBER The next Provincial meeting of the RTANL will be held in St. John's, November 2 and 3.

The next BGM and Reunion is October 2-4, 2012 and will be held at Holiday Inn in St. John's. We have received notification and nomination forms from Provincial of the RTANL Biennial Award for 2012. Nominations should be received no later than May 30th of each BGM year. President Tom is Chair of that Committee along with Jim and Phil. This Award is for volunteer service with RTANL and/or the Retired Teachers' Foundation.

NOVEMBER Tom reported that the Provincial Executive met November 2-3 in St. John's. The Table Officers met with Lily B. Cole, President of the NLTA and Edward Hancock, Executive Director. Office

space was discussed (as renovations are taking place at the NLTA Building) as well as the Teachers' Pension Plan. Most of the time was dedicated to the upcoming BGM in 2012, and the Standing Committee Reports.

FOUNDATION REPORT:

APRIL There was no formal report. Jim Warren expressed his sincere thanks to the members who attended his wife's funeral and for the many donations, hundreds of cards, telephone calls and e-mails.

The next Foundation meeting is scheduled for June.

MAY Tom showed the membership the picture the Foundation has on tickets this year. It is a Lloyd Pretty print of the Humber River. The Foundation will be having an Old Christmas Day dinner on January 6, 2012 at Sinbad's Hotel, Gander and the winning ticket will be drawn then.

SEPTEMBER The Foundation met last week. At that meeting, the Foundation decided on which groups would get funding and the amounts. This year the Foundation will give a total of \$25,225.73 to these groups. Don reminded everyone that there are still tickets available on the Lloyd Pretty print and the Christmas dinner at Sinbad's on January 6, 2012 and the winning ticket will be drawn then.

OCTOBER Jim Dobson reported that next week at the Provincial Association meeting donations will be distributed. Tickets on the Lloyd Pretty print and the Christmas Dinner at Sinbad's on January 6, 2012, are still available. Check with Don Carter.

NOVEMBER Jim Dobson reported that at a recent meeting of the RTF in St. John's donations totaling \$24,000 were distributed to nine organizations. Don Carter continues to sell tickets on the painting donated by Lloyd Pretty. The dinner planned for January at Sinbad's is still on and if anyone wants to go to contact Don Carter.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:

APRIL The book was given to Transcontinental to be edited for publication. The publishers should have the book ready for the Fall.

MAY There is no new information on the publishing of the book. Art Symonds asked if members could buy a copy if they wished. The Executive will decide if that will be possible.

SEPTEMBER The final draft is finished. A special thanks was given to Calvin Wheeler for his tremendous help in putting the book together. A motion was made by Art Symonds and seconded by Stewart Ralph to continue to collect information for the next Book of Remembrance. Motion carried. It was moved by Stewart Ralph and seconded by Jim Dobson that the Chairperson of the Book of Remembrance Committee and the Cornucopia Committee will be members of our Division's Executive. Because it is a constitutional By-law change, it will be brought to the floor of the next general meeting.

OCTOBER It is in the final stages of preparation. Copies will be distributed to various Libraries, and other places where it is usually made available.

NOVEMBER Jim Dobson distributed a final draft for members to see. It is hoped to have the final product at the end of November.

STATUS OF THE CORNUCOPIA:

APRIL It is being worked on and will be ready for the Fall.

MAY There is nothing new to report.

SEPTEMBER Being worked on and will be ready for the printer around the end of November.

TALES TOLD BY TEACHERS:

APRIL Volume II is selling very well.

MAY There are books available if you wish to buy or sell some.

SEPTEMBER There are books available if you wish to buy or sell some.

OCTOBER Copies of Volume I, as well as Volume II, are available from members of the Executive.

PAC:

APRIL Tom Kendell gave a report outlining some of the activities the committee has done. Tom read a letter he received from Thomas W. Marshall.
THE COalition Group in the Gander Area will have a meeting May 5th in Gander.

MAY Tom Kendell said since our last meeting the coalition was active. There was a meeting in Grand Falls-Windsor on May 5 with guest speakers Ralph Morris and Sharron Callahan. 140 people attended the meeting. There was a meeting in Gander on May 5 with an attendance of 130-140 people. Lewisporte had a meeting with 81 people in attendance; Springdale had a meeting with 40-50 people. The Clarenville meeting was poorly attended.

SEPTEMBER Tom Kendell said there was a coalition meeting yesterday in Grand Falls-Windsor with approximately 50 people attending. The Liberal candidate Merv Wiseman, Liberal candidate Wayne Morris and NDP candidate John Whalen were in attendance. Only the Liberal Party would support the coalition. At the Gander meeting there were approximately 100 people and the Conservative Party would not support the coalition.

ENTERTAINMENT:

APRIL Following lunch Gerald Giles introduced author Bruce Stagg as guest speaker for the meeting. Bruce gave a presentation describing his experience while writing his book *The Blackwood Schooner*. It was a very interesting and informative presentation that generated many questions from the audience.

MAY Tom Kendell introduced David Morrow as guest speaker for the meeting. David gave a talk on Climate Change and how it affects our gardens. It was definitely a very interesting and informative presentation which generated many questions from the audience. Tom thanked David for his excellent presentation.

NOVEMBER The afternoon's guest speaker was Jill Wheaton, Central Health Chronic Disease Prevention and Management Consultant. She made a very entertaining and informative presentation on diabetes. Ms. Wheaton answered many questions from the floor before President Tom thanked her for her presentation.

NEW BUSINESS:

APRIL (a) Constitutional Ad hoc Editorial Committee: It was decided by the executive to form a committee of three to review our constitution. Tom Kendell offered to serve as the executive member on the committee. Tom was asked to get two members to serve with him on this committee.

(b) Annual Banquet and Dance Planning: The banquet and dance will be June 8th starting at 6:00 p.m. with meal starting at 6:30 p.m. It will be a buffet and the cost will be more than last year.

(c) Next Meeting on Tuesday, May 17, 2011.

MAY (a) Annual Banquet and Dance Planning: President Phil will finalize the program this week. There are 140 tickets printed and the cost of the meal has increased by \$2.50. The group Legacy will be the entertainment for the banquet. (b) The next meeting will be held on September 21, 2011 which will be the election of officers.

SEPTEMBER Annual General Meeting Nominating Committee Report: There was a partial nominating committee report presented. It was moved by Art Symonds and seconded by Frances Reid to accept the partial nominating committee report. Motion carried. The new executive for 2011-13 is President Tom Kendell, Vice-President Gerald Giles, Past President Phil Patey, Treasurer Malba Butt, and Communications Officer Don Carter, Secretary, vacant (to be dealt with at next executive meeting).

OCTOBER Efforts are being made to get members together to do a Constitutional Review. The Executive will have to do it themselves with November 30, 2011 being a possible date. The Auction will take place after lunch today. The dates of the meetings for the upcoming year were announced.

At 1:00 p.m. President Tom began an Auction of the items that were brought along by the members. He was greatly assisted by Shirley Bailey with help from Lorna Giles. Good bids were made on all the items; and even though there were only a few members in attendance all the items were auctioned off.

A report of the proceeds will come at our next meeting. Many thanks for the support of everyone present.

ended, it was moved by Stewart Ralph and seconded by Gerald Giles that we award all living founding members of the Central Division of RTANL a \$50.00 cheque in appreciation. The motion carried.

HISTORY OF THE CORNUCOPIA

The Retired Teachers' Association of Central Division was organized in 1980. Two years later it was felt that with the wealth of experience and information available they could and should publish a magazine. This became a reality in April 1982 when the first edition of CORNUCOPIA was published.

According to Latin scholars, “Cornucopia” means a horn of plenty, an abundance, thus CORNUCOPIA seemed an appropriate title for our publication. Marguerite Taylor accepted the position of Editor and Fay Eveleigh as Co-editor.

The first edition was to be followed by a second one later in the year, but was delayed until January 1983. Two volumes were printed yearly for seven years. After that it was felt a new look was necessary with an annual publication and in a larger format. The NTA could not provide a larger format as they had commitments to several special interest councils' publications.

We received a grant from the New Horizons Program, courtesy of Mr. Harold House and staff. With this financial support, CORNUCOPIA became an annual publication of 32 pages with a spiral binding. Morgan Printing of Bishop's Falls did the printing. When the grant expired, it was necessary to revert to our previous format of fewer pages printed at the NLTA print plant.

The Editorial Group of two had been enlarged to a committee of ten: Neil Boyd, Lloyd Buffett, Donald Bennett, Leslie Duffett, Fay Eveleigh, James Fitzgerald, Audrey Goodyear, Sister Magdalan O'Brien, Marguerite Taylor and James Warren. At this time Marguerite Taylor resigned as Editor and Fay Eveleigh acted as Secretary with Neil Boyd and Lloyd Buffett as Co-editors.

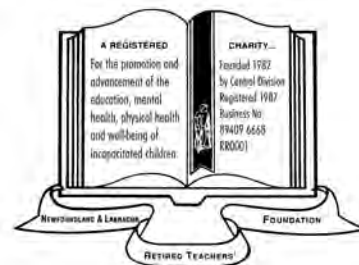
This committee disbanded after a while due to being too unwieldy and scattered. It was replaced by a group in different areas of the Division charged with the responsibility of collecting and publishing an annual edition. After three or four editions this practice failed and no edition was published for three years. In 2007, Calvin G. Wheeler accepted the position of Editor and has produced one edition each year since then.

Presently, the CORNUCOPIA is printed by the NLTA Print Plant in St. John's and copies are posted to each member of the Central Division RTANL. The book has recently expanded from 28 pages to 32 with the addition of Biographies, Tributes and Obituaries. The Editor relies on members to supply information regarding the activities of the Central Division, information on deceased teachers, stories or verses written by them.

Many of the retired teachers have commented on the articles contained in the CORNUCOPIA and we like hearing from you. Let us continue to contribute from our store of knowledge and not let our memories lie dormant. Several of the articles contained in the editions have been used in the recent edition of *Tales Told by Teachers*. Our fledgling effort of 1982 is continuing successfully and we can take pride in our publication.



Retired Teachers' Foundation Report



The Newfoundland and Labrador Retired Teachers' Foundation held a regular meeting on September 21, 2011 in St. John's. All nine members were present including past president Geraldine Wall and Lily B. Cole, president of NLTA, which was recognized by the change in the Constitution at the BGM in October, 2010.

Other members are Dianne Squarey (VP. – St. John's); Anne Pennell (Treasurer – St. John's); Joyce Roberts (Secretary – Conception Bay); Don Carter (Gander); Anita Finn (Avalon); Agnes Hughes (Corner Brook).

Routine business was conducted including selection of the Children's Charities to receive this year's donations. It is recognized that the gross amount available varies with the year, the amount going to any charity varies each year and in some years a charity may be dropped from the list. This all depends on the amount of funds donated and interest received. This year the total available was \$25,225.73.

The following charities were selected to receive a portion of this amount:

Mazol Temple Shriners (Transportation Fund)	\$5,000.00
Candlelighters	\$2,000.00
Canadian Diabetes Association (Camp Douwanna)	\$2,000.00
Lion Max Simms Memorial Camp.	\$2,000.00
Autism Society	\$2,000.00
Downs Syndrome Association	\$2,000.00
Turettes Syndrome Association	\$2,000.00
Rainbow Riders (therapeutic horseback riding)	\$2,000.00
The War Amps – Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program	\$5,000.00

The **Foundation** held its **Annual General Meeting** in St. John's at the Capital Hotel on November 2, 2011 at 2:30 p.m. The charities chosen to receive donations were in attendance.

Submitted by Jim Dobson (Chairperson)

The Central Division of the RTANL has just completed another very successful Fall Fundraiser/Auction for the Foundation. The total amount sent to the Foundation was \$2,814.00. This amount included the annual auction and donations from teachers in October of \$614.00, the annual donation of \$1000.00 in memory of C. Lloyd Buffett, and \$1,200 sent in memory of deceased teachers for this present year. The RTF board wishes to thank all those who have supported the Foundation in any way. It is your involvement and commitment that enables the board to carry out the mandate of "operating exclusively as a charitable organization for children who are incapacitated".

Donald Carter, Director, RTF

Seniors' Pages

No Nursing Home for Me!!!

No nursing home for me. I am checking into the HOLIDAY INN. With the average cost for a nursing home care being \$188.00 per day, there is a better way when we get old and feeble.

I have already checked on reservations at the Holiday Inn. For a combined long term stay discount and senior discount, it's \$49.23 per night. That leaves \$138.77 a day for breakfast, lunch and dinner in any restaurant we want, or room service, laundry, gratuities and special TV movies. Plus, they provide a spa, swimming pool, a workout room, a lounge and washer-dryer, etc... Most have free toothpaste and razors, and all have free shampoo and soap. \$5.00 worth of tips a day will have the entire staff scrambling to help you. They treat you like a customer, not a patient. There is a city bus stop out front, and seniors ride free. The handicap bus will also pick you up (if you fake a decent limp). To meet other nice people, call a church bus on Sundays. For a change of scenery, take the airport shuttle bus and eat at one of the nice restaurants there. While at the airport, fly somewhere. Otherwise the cash keeps building up.

It takes months to get into decent nursing homes. Holiday Inn will take your reservation today. And you are not stuck in one place forever; you can move from Inn to Inn, or even from city to city. Want to see Hawaii? They have a Holiday Inn there too. TV broken? Light bulbs need changing? Need a mattress replaced? No problem. They fix everything, and apologize for the inconvenience. The Inn has a night security person and daily room service. The maid checks to see if you are okay. If not, they will call the undertaker or an ambulance. If you fall and break a hip, Medicare will pay for the hip, and Holiday Inn will upgrade you to a suite for the rest of your life. And no worries about visits from family, they will always be glad to find you, and probably check in for a few days mini-vacation. The grand kids can use the pool while they are there.

WHAT MORE COULD YOU ASK FOR?

Senior Health Care Solution

So you're a sick senior citizen and the government says there is no nursing home for you – what do you do?

Our suggestion is that you go out and commit a serious crime – e.g., shoot 4 politicians – not necessarily kill them. Of course, this means you will be sent to prison.

Good, then you will receive three meals a day, a roof over your head, central heating, and all the health care you need! New teeth? No problem. Need glasses? You have them. New hip, knees, kidney, lungs, heart? All covered.

(And your kids can come and visit you as often as they do now).

And who will be paying for all this? The same government that just told you that they cannot afford for you to go into a home. Plus, because you are a prisoner, you don't have to pay any income taxes anymore.

IS THIS A GREAT COUNTRY OR WHAT?

The Complaints of a Senior

I've sure gotten old! I've had two by-pass surgeries, a hip replacement, new knees, fought prostate cancer and diabetes. I'm half blind, can't hear anything quieter than a jet engine, take forty different medications that make me dizzy, winded, and subject to blackouts. I have trouble with dementia, and poor circulation. I can hardly feel my hands and feet anymore. I can't remember if I'm 89 or 98, but, thank God, I still have my driver's license.

The Ravings of a Senior

I will walk the beach in a swim suit that is stretched over a bulging body, and will dive into the waves with abandon if I choose to, despite the pitying glances from the jet set. They, too, will get old.

I know I am sometimes forgetful. But there again, some of life is just as well forgotten. I eventually remember the important things.

Sure, over the years my heart has been broken. How can your heart not be broken when you lose

a loved one, or when a child suffers, or even when somebody's beloved pet gets hit by a car? But broken hearts are what give us strength and understanding and compassion. A heart never broken is pristine and sterile and will never know the joy of being imperfect.

I am so blessed to have my hair turning gray, and to have my youthful laughs be forever etched into deep grooves on my face. So many have never laughed and so many have died before their hair could turn silver.

As you get older, it is easier to be positive. You care less about what other people think. I don't question myself anymore. I've even earned the right to be wrong.

So to answer your question, I like being old. It has set me free. I like the person I have become. I am not going to live forever, but while I am still here, I will not waste time lamenting what could have been or worrying about what will be. I will have dessert every single day if I feel like it.

Senior Citizens

are the Nation's Leading Carriers of Aids.

...Hearing Aids

...Band Aids

...Roll Aids

...Walking Aids

...Medical Aids

...Government Aids

BUT, MOST OF ALL

...Monetary Aid to their Children

The Winter of Our Life

You know, time has a way of moving quickly and catching you unaware of the passing years.

It seems just yesterday that I was young, just married and embarking on my life with my mate. And yet in a way, it seems like eons ago, and I wonder where all the years went.

I know that I lived them all...

And I have glimpses of how it was back then and of all my hopes and dreams...But, here it is ... the winter of my life and it catches me by surprise... How did I get here so fast? Where did the years go and where did my youth go?

I remember well...seeing older people through the years and thinking that those older people were years away from me and that winter was so far off that I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like... But, here it is... my friends are retired and getting gray... they move slower and I see an older person now. Lots are in better shape than me ... but, I see the great change... Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant... but, like me, their age is beginning to show and we are now those older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd be.

Each day now, I find that just getting a shower is a real target for the day! And taking a nap is not a treat anymore... it's mandatory! Cause if I don't on my own free will ...I just fall asleep where I sit!

And so, now I enter into this new season of my life unprepared for all the aches and pains...

And the loss of strength and ability to go and do things that I wish I had done but never did.

But, at least I know, that though the winter has come, and I'm not sure how long it will last ...this I know, that when it's over...it's over...Yes, I have regrets. These are things I wish I hadn't done...things I should have done, but indeed, there are many things I'm happy to have done. It's all in a lifetime...

So, if you're not in your winter yet... let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think. So, whatever you would like to accomplish in your life please do it quickly!

Don't put things off too long!

Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today, as you can never be sure whether this is your winter or not! You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...so, live for good today and say all the things you want your loved ones to remember...and hope that they appreciate and love you for all the things you have done for them in the years past!

Life is a gift to you. The way you live your life is your gift to those who come after you.

Make it a fantastic one!

Meet Our President

Thomas Kendell

Tom was born on September 22, 1949 at Round Cove in Hermitage Bay to John and Abigail Kendell. He grew up in the town of Gaultois where he attended Victoria All-Grade School. He entered Memorial University after he completed high school and was successful in completing a B.A.(Ed.) Degree in 1974, a B. Spec. Ed. in 1981 and a Diploma in the education of students with visual impairment in 1985.

He began his teaching career in 1968 at Burgeo and taught in several other Newfoundland schools. He taught in Pass Island, Belleorem and Peterview before moving to Grand Falls-Windsor where he spent the last 22 years before retirement in 2004. On Pass Island he taught five grades in one classroom as a teaching principal.

Much of his time in later years was spent teaching the visually impaired.

While attending Memorial, Tom met and married Elizabeth (Betty) Chan from Corner Brook. They were blessed with two daughters, one a high school music teacher in London, Ontario and the other a French

teacher in St. John's. His wife Betty is presently teaching and coordinating the LPN Program at the College of the North Atlantic in Grand Falls-Windsor.

Before retirement, Tom was a member of the CNIB Advisory Board, the Exploits Community Employment Corporation, Central Newfoundland Gardening Club, and the NLTA Exploits Valley Branch. Since retirement he is a member of the Beothuk Institute, Vice President of the RTANL Central Division, Vice President of the RTANL Provincial Association and was Chairman of the Nova School Board for four years and is still a trustee for Grand Falls-Windsor on the Board. Tom is very proud to have received the Bancroft Award in 2002 for his involvement with the NLTA at the branch level.



**President
Tom Kendell**

WATCH...

...Your **THOUGHTS**, for they become **WORDS**.

...Your **WORDS**, for they become **ACTIONS**.

...Your **ACTIONS**, for they become **HABITS**.

...Your **HABITS**, for they become **CHARACTER**.

...Your **CHARACTER**, for they become your **DESTINY**.



Biographies



Audrey Elizabeth Samson

Audrey was born on January 8, 1940 at Norris Point, Bonne Bay to John and Dora Organ. She attended Norris Point Memorial School until she graduated from Grade XI with Honours. From there, she was off to Memorial University to prepare for her

career in teaching. At Memorial she studied Education and earned Bachelor Degrees B.A.(Ed.), and B.A. She was awarded a University Fellowship later and returned to complete a M. Phil. in 1986.

Her teaching began much earlier in 1956 before her University years. She taught for two years at Seal Cove, White Bay, one year at Norris Point, two years in St. John's, one year at Dunville before moving to Gander where she finished a career teaching there for twenty-six years before retirement in 1991. While

teaching at Seal Cove, Audrey met and married another teacher, Albert Samson, who has predeceased her. They had two children.

Audrey has been an active member in her community. She has been a member of the NLTA, a worker with the Progressive Conservative Party in Newfoundland, and acted as campaign manager for Harold Collins when he ran in her district. She has been a member of Business and Professional Women Organization in Gander. Since her retirement she has been very active in the Gander Women's Institute. Among the many activities she is involved with, her greatest and most pleasurable pastimes is attending a Gander Bingo game.

Her health has been somewhat of a restricting factor over the past few years, but she has been able to do some of her favorite things. She has attended some of the meetings of the Central Division of the NLTA and some of the banquets held in Gander. She is planning a cruise down south for this winter. For the past couple of years, Audrey has been living at a home for seniors in Gander.

What is a Grandmother?

A grandmother is a lady who has no children of her own so she likes other people's girls and boys. A grandfather is a man grandmother. He goes for walks with boys and they talk about fishing and tractors. Grandmothers don't have to do anything, but be there. They are old so they shouldn't play hard or run. It is enough if they take us for a walk and slow down past things like pretty leaves and caterpillars. You should never say, "hurry up". Usually they are fat but not too fat to tie children's shoes. They wear glasses and funny underwear and they take their teeth and gums out. They don't have to be smart, only answer questions like...why dogs hate cats and why God hasn't married. They don't talk baby talk like visitors. When they read to us they don't skip bits or mind if it is the same story over again. Everybody should have one, especially if you don't have television, because grandmothers are the only grown-ups who have TIME.

A Prayer For Sharing

Help us to share,
for the letters of SHARE are in HARVEST,
Forgive us if we have too much,
for the letters of HAVE are in HARVEST,
Help us to save and not to waste,
for the letters of SAVE are in HARVEST,
Help those who starve,
for the letters of STARVE are in HARVEST.
Please God, let us who have too much
learn to share your HARVEST with
those who are starving.



Mary Brenson

Mary was born on October 16, 1934 at Fogo to Charlie and Minnie Woolridge. She attended St. Andrews Church of England School up to Grade 11.

At the age of 15 she applied to Memorial University but wasn't accepted because she was too young. She applied

for teacher training at summer school but again was too young. However, she was old enough to be offered a teaching position at Clarkes Head, which she took. She taught for three years at Clarkes Head, Fogo and Port Aux Basques and attended two summer schools. In 1953, she moved to St. Anthony and didn't teach again until 1965 when she was called to substitute for two weeks. These two weeks extended into twenty-four years until her retirement in 1989.

From 1966 to 1976, Mary did courses through ETV, Correspondence, and Summer Schools completing a Grade 4 teaching certificate. Mary married Ernest Bulgin and later Cluny Brenson and had one daughter Marilyn and a son Gary.

Mary was a very active person in her church and community. She was a member of the Aurora Branch of NTA from 1965 to 1989, holding various offices, a member of various committees, a delegate to AGM, and attended Primary Teachers' Council. She was nominated

for the Bancroft Award in 1986. She was involved with the Interfaith Homes of St. Anthony and Lewisporte as a volunteer and as a member of the Home Auxiliary Boards, holding several offices over the years. In Lewisporte she was a member of Chapel Fund Raising Committee, member of Pastoral Care Committee and Palliative Care Committee. She was a member of the Board of Directors for Loon Bay Camp, President of the local Red Cross Society, Legion Auxiliary, the Co-op Board of Directors and Interfaith Goodwill Center. In all of these, she served many terms as an Executive member.

In St. Anthony United Church, she taught Sunday School for twenty years, Superintendent for nine years, Lay Reader, Member of Session, Secretary of Official Board, Chair of the 25th Anniversary Committee as well as other Committees and member of the UCW holding all offices at various times. In the Lewisporte United Church she followed the same work. She was actively involved in the UCW, Board of Management and on the District level was a delegate to West District of Newfoundland Conference, and a member of West District Division of Stewardship.

Despite all this involvement, Mary still finds time to do things she enjoys very much. She reads, crochets, knits, and travels on group tours. Her donation of the 'afghan' which raised money for the Foundation was greatly appreciated. She regularly attends the meetings of the Retired Teachers' Association Central Division.

My Wish For You in 2012

May peace break into your house and may thieves come to steal your debts.

May the pockets of your jeans become a magnet of \$100 bills.

May love stick to your face like Vaseline and may laughter assault your lips!

May your clothes smell of success like smoking tires and may happiness slap you across the face and may your tears be that of joy.

May the problems you had forget your home address! In simple words...

May 2012 be the best year of your life!!!

Be Good to Yourself!

Be yourself, truthfully.

Accept yourself, gratefully.

Value yourself, joyfully.

Forgive yourself, completely.

Treat yourself, generously.

Balance yourself, harmoniously.

Bless yourself, abundantly.

Trust yourself, confidently.

Love yourself, wholeheartedly.

Empower yourself, immediately.

Give yourself, enthusiastically.

Express yourself, radiantly.

simple words...

May 2012 be the best year of your life!!!



Norman B. Purchase

Norman Purchase was born at Fogo on June 21, 1931 to Edward and Rachel Purchase. He received his early education at St. Andrew's Anglican School in that town. He continued his studies at Memorial University and graduated

from that institution with his B.A.(Ed) in 1960 and his B.A. degrees in 1969.

He began his twenty-eight year teaching career at Deep Bay, Fogo Island and Morton's Harbour. While he was teaching in Morton's Harbour he met Maisie Stryde from Bridgeport whom he later married. His next assignment was at Summerside, Bay of Islands, where he taught for two years before accepting the position of vice-principal of the High School at Eastport. He held this position for two years before becoming principal, a role he served in until he was appointed to coordinating principal of other schools in the area after amalgamation took place. Norman became the supervising principal of the system, a position he held until his retirement in 1985.

Norman was a very active person in the community of Eastport both in his church and community organizations. He served as President of the NTA Branch in the Eastport-Glovertown area until it amalgamated with the "Ganova" Branch in Gander. He is a charter member of the Eastport Lions Club. He served two terms as President of that club and also two years as Secretary. On the District level, he was Zone Chairman for a couple of terms and Guiding Lion for the Alexander Bay Club for a while. He filled the office of Deputy District Governor for two sessions and for one year he was District L.C.I.F. Norman joined the Loyal Orange Lodge Association in 1949 and RBP and held the offices of Grand Master and Grand Lodge Officer in both. He was a founding member of the Happy Adventure Community Council, Secretary-Treasurer of the Development Association for the Eastport Peninsula and Editor of the Newsletter. He was a Charter Member, Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Eastport Peninsula Credit Union. Norman is a member of the AIDS

Awareness Committee and was Chairman for the past two years.

When he began his career as a teacher there was another duty for male teachers of the Anglican Communion, which was almost synonymous with teaching and that was Lay Reader in the Church. In his Church, he served on the Select Vestry for several terms, and Member of the Parish Council. He was Lay Reader/Lay Minister for 61 years with over 50 years in the Eastport Parish. He served on the National Program Committee for three years. He was Lay Director of the Diocesan Cursillo Movement, Lay Director of Teens Encounter Christ, President of the Lay Readers' Association and Editor of the Newsletter and also Charter president of the Brotherhood of Anglican Churchmen.

Norman is an active member of the Retired Teachers' Association Central Division and attends most of the meetings held in Gander.

Night of Thanksgiving

Twas the night of Thanksgiving, but I just couldn't sleep.
I tried counting backwards, I tried counting sheep.
The leftovers beckoned – the dark meat and white
But I fought the temptation with all of my might.
Tossing and turning with anticipation,
the thought of a snack became infatuation.
So, I raced to the kitchen, flung open the door,
And gazed at the fridge, full of goodies galore.
Gobbled up turkey and buttered potatoes,
pickles and carrots, beans and tomatoes.
I felt myself swelling so plump and so round,
'til all of a sudden, I rose off the ground.
I crashed through the ceiling, floating into the sky,
With a mouth of pudding and a handful of pie,
But I managed to yell as I soared past the trees...
Happy eating to all – pass the cranberries, please.
May your stuffing be tasty,
May your turkey be plump.
May your potatoes 'n gravy have nary a lump.
May your yams be delicious,
May your pies take the prize,
May your Thanksgiving dinner stay off of your thighs!!

~ Author Unknown

Laughter – Good Medicine

Smiling

Smiling is contagious; you catch it like the flu,
When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too.
I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin,
When he smiled I realized I'd passed it on to him.
I thought about that smile, then I realized its worth,
A single smile, just like mine, could travel around the earth.
So, if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected
Let's start an epidemic quick, and get the world infected.

Just Reward!!!

Jack decided to go skiing with his buddy Bob. They loaded up Jack's minivan and headed North. After driving for a few hours, they got caught in a terrible blizzard, so they pulled into a nearby farm and asked the attractive lady who answered the door if they could spend the night.

I realize it's terrible weather out there and I have this huge house all to myself, but I'm recently widowed, she explained, I'm afraid the neighbours will talk if I let you stay in my house". "Don't worry, Jack said, we'll be happy to sleep in the barn and if the weather breaks we'll be gone early in the morning" The lady agreed and the two men found their way to the barn and settled in for the night. Come morning the weather cleared and they got on their way. About a year later Jack got an unexpected letter from an attorney. It took him a few minutes to figure it out, but he finally determined that it was the attorney of the attractive lady he had met on the ski weekend. He dropped in on his friend, Bob and asked, "Bob, do you remember that lady we stayed with last year when we went on that ski trip?" "Yes, I do," said Bob. "Did you, er, happen to get up in the night and pay her a visit?" "Well, um, yes!, Bob said, a little embarrassed about being found out, I have to admit that I did". "And did you happen to give her my name instead of your own?" Bob's face turned beet red and he said, "Yeah, look, I'm sorry, buddy, I'm afraid I did, but why do you ask?" Jack said, "She just died and left me everything."

Retirement Job

Outside England's Bristol Zoo there is a parking lot for 150 cars and 8 buses. For 25 years, its parking fees were managed by a very pleasant attendant. The fees were 1 pound (\$1.40) for cars and 5 pounds (\$7) for buses.

Then, one day, after 25 solid years of never missing a day of work, he just didn't show up; so the Zoo Management called the City Council and asked it to send them another parking agent. The Council did some research and replied that the parking lot was the Zoo's own responsibility. The Zoo advised the Council that the attendant was a City employee. The City Council responded that the lot attendant had never been on the City payroll.

Meanwhile, sitting in his villa somewhere on the coast of Spain or France or Italy... is a man who'd apparently had a ticket machine installed completely on his own and then had simply begun to show up every day, commencing to collect and keep the parking fees, estimated at about \$560 per day – for 25 years. Assuming 7 days a week, this amounts to just over \$7 million dollars, and no one even knows his name.

Generation Y

People born before 1946 were called **The Silent Generation**.

People born between 1946 and 1959 are called **The Baby Boomers**.

People born between 1959 and 1979 are called **Generation X**.

And people born between 1980 and 2011 are called **Generation Y**.

Why are they called Generation Y?

Y should I get a job?

Y should I leave home and find my own place?

Y should I get a car when I can borrow yours?

Y should I clean my room?

Y should I wash and iron my own clothes?

Y should I buy any food?

You get the picture!!!

The Loving Vancouver Husband

A man had two of the best tickets for the Stanley Cup Final. As he sits down, another man comes along and asks if anyone is sitting in the seat next to him.

“No”, he says, “the seat is empty.”

“This is incredible!” said the man, “who in their right mind would have a seat like this for the Stanley Cup Final, the biggest sporting event of the year, and not use it?”

He says, “Well, actually, the seat belongs to me. My wife was supposed to come with me but she passed away. This is the first Cup Final we haven’t been to together since we got married.”

“Oh...I’m sorry to hear that, That’s terrible. I guess you couldn’t find someone else, a friend or relative or even a neighbor to take the seat?”

The man shakes his head and said, “No, they are all at the funeral.”

Replacement of Windows

Last year I replaced all the windows in my house with an expensive double-pane energy efficient model, and today, I got a call from the contractor who installed them. He was complaining that the work was completed a whole year ago and I still hadn’t paid for them.

Hellooooo, ...just because I’m blonde doesn’t mean that I am automatically dumb!

I told him just what his fast talking salesman told me last year, that in ONE YEAR these windows would pay for themselves!

Helloooo, It’s been a year!

There was only silence at the end of the line, so I finally hung up. I bet he felt like an idiot because he never called back.

The Lecture

An elderly man was stopped by a police officer around 1 a.m. and is asked where he is going at this time of the night.

The man replies, “I am going to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body,”

The officer then asks, “Really? Who is giving such a lecture at this time of the night?”

The man replies, “That would be my wife, sir.”

Stock Market Advice

Normally I avoid discussing any advice regarding buying or selling of stocks, but I felt this is important enough to share and warn you since this explosive situation might prove to be another ENRON.

Please review any holdings you might have in the following stocks: American Can, Interstate Water, National Gas Company, Northern Tissue Company.

Due to uncertain market conditions, I ADVISE you to sit tight on your American Can, hold your Water, and let go of your Gas. You may be interested to know that Northern Tissue touched a new bottom today, and millions were wiped clean.

The Four Stages of Life

Stage 1: You believe in Santa Claus.

Stage 2: You don’t believe in Santa Claus.

Stage 3: You are Santa Claus.

Stage 4: You look like Santa Claus.



Literary

The Man in the Glass

When you get what you want in the struggle for self
And the world makes you king for a day,
Just go to the mirror and look at yourself
And see what that man has to say.
For it isn't your father or mother or wife
Who judgement upon you must pass;
The fellow who's verdict counts most in your life
Is the one staring back from the glass.
Some people may think you're a straight shootin' chum
And call you a wonderful guy,
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye.
He's the fellow to please, never mind all the rest,
For he's with you clear up to the end.
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult test
If the man in the glass is your friend.
You may fool the whole world down the pathway of life
And get pats on your back as you pass,
But the final reward will be heartaches and tears
If you've cheated the man in the glass.

The Knots Prayer

Dear God,

Please untie the **knots** that are in my mind,
my heart and my life.

Remove the **have nots**, the **can not**s and the **do not**s
that I have in my mind.

Erase the **will nots**, **may nots**, **might nots** that may
find a home in my heart.

Release me from the **could nots**, **would nots** and
should nots that obstruct my life.

And most of all, Dear God,
I ask that you remove from my mind,
my heart and my life all the **am nots**
that I have allowed to hold me back,
especially the thought that I **am not** good enough.

Amen

I'm Drinking From My Saucer

I've never made a fortune,
And it's probably too late now.
But, I don't worry about that much,
I'm happy anyhow.
And I go along life's way,
I'm reaping better than I sowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'Cause my cup has overflowed.

Haven't got a lot of riches,
And sometimes the going's tough.
But I've got loving ones all around me,
And that makes me rich enough.
I thank God for his blessings,
And the mercies He's bestowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'Cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things went wrong,
My faith wore somewhat thin.
But all at once the dark clouds broke,
And the sun peeped through again.
So Lord help me not to gripe,
About the tough rows I have hoed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'Cause my cup has overflowed.

He Who Knows

He who knows and knows that he knows
He is wise; seek him
He who knows not and knows he knows not
He is a child; teach him
He who knows and knows not he knows
He is asleep; wake him
He who knows and knows not he knows not
He is a fool; shun him
He who knows that he knows not and people
Not to know that he knows not
He is a stupid fool; make him a clever fool
He who knows that he knows
But don't want people to know that he knows
He is a simple fool; make him a wise fool
He who knows what they can't know
And knows not how to make them know
He is confused; show him the light

Memories

The Register

You all remember the “Balancing Act”?
First count all ticks / across for morning session.
Then count all ticks \ across for afternoon.
Don’t forget to register for each half day
Symbols h, s, o, a, etc. for absences.
These must balance with ticks.
Each day of the month approximately 20 days
Each child in the class approximately 30
Late notes were tricky:
With or without, the report must go.
No place for absences with an empty space.

Adjustments made next month perhaps,
when notes come in. Be careful of that!
Now make sure it balances vertically
and horizontally! Can you Believe?
No calculators. Our math was good!
Then Total possibilities, pupil days,
Percentages of attendance must balance.
Then there were age groups which must
balance with total enrollment in class
Different Religions and Gender must
Also balance, you know.
This was the “Monthly Returns”.

Well, it’s easy now after 10 months,
Then comes the “Annual Returns”!
You think, oh well, not much to this, now,
only about 12,000 ticks and symbols to transfer.
1 month average 20 days, 30 pupils gives
600 half day ticks and a’s, h’s, o’s, s’s etc.
1200 in all for a full two sessions.
For ten months about 12,000 of these
must be transferred to the final sheet.
Something wrong? I’m out a half-day!
Was it in the transfer? Any wonder?
Count over the whole pupil-day ticks
for each child for each month.
Found it! One empty space – late note perhaps.
Absences had to be carefully registered.
A few wrong assumptions or late notes
could cause the Family Allowance to be lost.
It took many hours to find the mistake, but
finally it balances. I can go home. Agony is over.
Then, Tally Ho! A knock is heard at the door.
In desperation my co-worker pleads,

“Could you help me find my mistake?
“I can’t get my register to balance”.

Jane Martin – printed in *Tales Told By Teachers*

Relax, Remember

Clang of hand-bell through open window,
Queues of children, tall and small,
Chatter, wails of opening day.
Relax, remember.

Smell the dustbane, musty books.
See your desk all bright and shiny.
To the right, Billy’s sitting,
Mary’s there and so is Jack.
Relax, remember.

Sounds fill the air.
Pencil sharpener in a buzz,
Chairs scrape along the floor,
Spine-cringing grate of chalk on board.
Relax, remember.

“The dog chewed up my homework, sir.”
“Helping mother on the flakes is why I’m late.”
“I learned the sums tables, not the times ones, Miss.”
“Dad says there’s no such thing as decimals.”
Relax, remember.

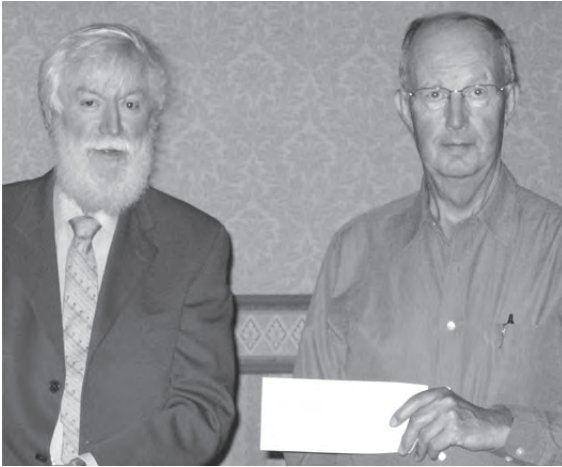
First “Parent Night”:
“What’s happening to Harry this year?”
“I’m some glad you’re her teacher and not you know
who!”
“Can’t do a thing with him, my dear. Hope to God you
can.”
Relax, remember.

Christmas concerts await you next.
Costume-sewing, making sets; verses, songs, and scripts.
Sally’s radiant as an angel; Tom fits well his part.
And although John forgot his lines, laughter, claps,
hoorays”!
Relax, remember.

“Show and Tell, read out loud; written work, correcting.”
Chill of winter fading into warmth of spring.
What’s well begun, ends well!
June, remember!

Written by Wilson Vincent –
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Activities



Donation to the Foundation



Jill Wheaton – Guest Speaker



Malba Collecting Money for Dance



Meeting – Serious Time



David Morrow – Guest Speaker



Banquet Entertainment

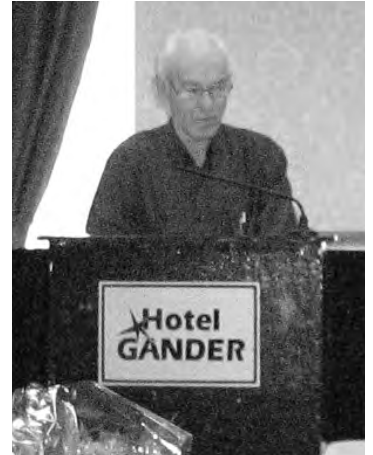


Francis Reid Sells Tickets

Activities



Passing of the Gavel



Bill Day – Volunteer of the Year Jim Warren Addresses Meeting



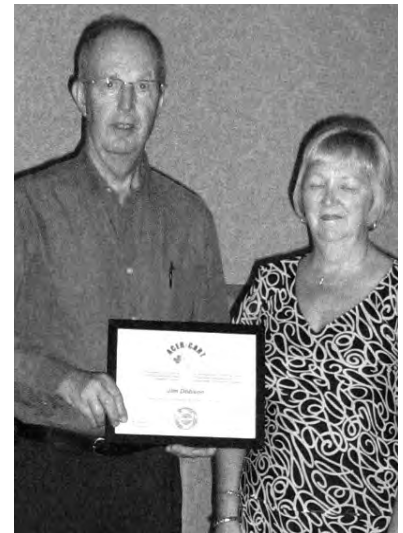
Table at the Banquet



Flowers, Jams, Cookies, Anyone?



Geraldine Wall Speaks



President Geraldine Wall



Meeting – November



Meeting – Table Overflow

Tribute



Alan John Kingsford Rogers

Alan was born on September 18, 1932 at Fair Island, Bonavista Bay, the only child of the late John and Gladys Rogers. He later married Mabel Rogers of Round Harbour (near Sydney Cove) Bonavista Bay and they raised four children, two boys and two girls.

Alan was a teacher for thirty two years teaching at Greenspond, Fair Island, Badgers Quay, Bonne Bay (two months in the Spring of 1972), Wareham, and Trinity, Bonavista Bay. He received his B.A. (Ed) at Memorial University in 1971 and B.A. from Memorial University in 1972. He retired from teaching in October 1987.

Alan was a member in the Masonic Lodge for fifty-five years, receiving his 50 year pin in 1987. He was a supply officer in the Indian Bay Air Cadets. He was Lay Reader in the places he taught and especially at St. Barnabas Anglican Church at Centerville, where he lived for fifty years. Alan's parents moved from Fair Island to Centerville in July 1961 under the Resettlement Program. In Centerville, Alan was a member of St. Barnabas Anglican Vestry for several years.

Alan was a kind and loving man who loved having his family and friends around him. He had no brothers or sisters but was adopted into Mabel's extended family. He enjoyed fishing, hunting and traveling and doing his garden with his wife. Alan enjoyed going out the bay to his cabin in his speed boat. He had a cabin at Fair Island and a smaller one at Round Harbour. He spent many summers there before and after retirement. He also had an all year round one at Shambler's Cove, near Greenspond, which he visited very often.

On October 21, 2011, surrounded by his loved ones, he died at Brookfield Hospital after battling cancer for six years. He left to mourn his wife Mabel, sons Lloyd and Craig and daughters Glenda and Elizabeth, ten grandchildren and two great grandchildren. He was laid to rest in St. Barnabas Cemetery in Centerville with Rev. John Nichols officiating.

Alan had much faith in the Lord. He had his Holy Bible among the family flowers on his casket opened at his favourite passage. During the last days of his life fighting cancer he was very optimistic and faced the end of his life with grace, courage and acceptance. He even prepared his own funeral service with his hymns, headings and bearers.

Years ago Alan had a plaque given to him by his aunt entitled "The Clock of Life"

*The clock of life is wound but once
And no man has the power,
To tell just when the hands will stop
At late or early hour.
Now is the only time you own.
Live, love, and toil with a will,
Place no faith in tomorrow,
For the clock may soon be still.*

(Written by Alan's brother-in-law, Robert J. Pickett)

A Prayer For Sharing

Help us to share,
for the letters of SHARE are in HARVEST,
Forgive us if we have too much,
for the letters of HAVE are in HARVEST,
Help us to save and not to waste,
for the letters of SAVE are in HARVEST,
Help those who starve,
for the letters of STARVE are in HARVEST.
Please God, let us who have too much
learn to share your HARVEST with
those who are starving.

Tribute



Ambrose Patrick Kelly

Ambrose (Ammy) Kelly was born on Burnt Island, Bonavista Bay on April 16, 1948. His family resettled to Gambo shortly after this and so he began his early education at Sacred Heart School in Gambo.

He began teacher training in 1965 and after a year and a half at MUN, began his teaching career. By correspondence and by attending summer sessions he persisted and in 1984 graduated from Memorial University with the conjoint degrees of B.A. and B.A. (Ed).

His first teaching assignment was back at his old school in Gambo. The following year he moved to Marystown, where he taught at Burin. After only one year he returned to Gambo where he taught for the remainder of his career at Dark Cove Elementary, Bayview Heights Academy and Smallwood Academy.

Ammy retired in June of 1997 after 30 successful years in the teaching profession.

As a staff teacher Ammy was a dependable mainstay. He gave of his best and was always there if he was asked to go the extra mile. He had a way of dealing with difficult students and spent a great part of his spare time coaching them in sports and other activities. Students were at ease with him and his fatherly demeanor helped him achieve his goals.

His involvement in education went on after school. He was coordinator of adult education and was himself an instructor. Many students went on to finish school and enter the trades because of his prompting.

Outside of school, Ammy served as choir assistant at his church. He was a member of the Gambo Lions Club and held among other positions, office of Vice President. Also a member of The Knights of Columbus, he served as Grand Knight, Cullen Walsh Council for a period, then moved on to become District Deputy, Central District. He was a member of the Gambo Days Committee and many other community groups.

Ammy is best remembered by his community as “The Entertainer”. If there was a party Ammy was there with his guitar and if there wasn’t a party he was always ready to start one. His congenial personality created the atmosphere and his music made everyone friends.

Ammy passed away suddenly on January 29, 2004 and the world lost a great soul.

Devoted to his family, he leaves to mourn his wife Bertha, daughter Lana, two sons Dwayne and Dale and all their families.

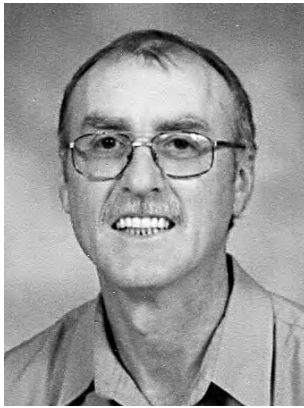
(Written by Colleague, Roy Snelgrove)

Retirement At Last

So many lands to visit,
Exciting things to do,
New sights and new horizons,
New hobbies to pursue.
The prize for which so long I’ve toiled
Is now within my grasp:
“Retirement” brings such sweet reward -
I’ve time for ME at last!

(Vancouver Island RTA)

Tribute



Clary E. Loveless

Clary E. Loveless began his life's journey on January 2, 1957 in Seal Cove, Fortune Bay. He was the oldest of six children born to Clayton and Hilda Loveless. He received his education at the small school in his home town and entered Memorial University where he graduated with a B.Ed degree

majoring in Mathematics. In 1978, Clary married the love of his life, Doris Wells, of Sandyville. They have two children, Dale and Trent.

He began his teaching career in 1979 at Francois where he spent three years as a teaching-principal. Clary moved from there to Cottrell's Cove Academy (C.C.A.) in 1982 and it's there he spent the remaining 27 years of his 30 year career. At C.C.A. he taught Mathematics and took on the role of teaching-principal in 1987, a position he held until he became ill, three months before his retirement in June 2009.

It was at C.C.A. that Clary had, perhaps, the greatest influence on his students and community. He loved teaching and he was totally dedicated to his students. He tutored anyone who needed help during lunch, recess, and after school, including those who were students of the Distance Education Program. His goal was to make sure every student was successful in reaching his/her potential.

Clary was a pioneer in the establishment of Distance Education in small schools in Newfoundland and Labrador. There were too few students at Cottrell's Cove Academy to offer anything more than the basic curriculum so he quickly realized that Distance Education was the only way for his students to avail of advanced academic courses. Many of his students took advantage of the opportunity and those who did had excellent success at Memorial University. A few of them were on the Dean's List and graduated with highest honours.

He was instrumental in designing and implementing a provincial recognized Aquaculture course at the High School level that became a model for other schools to follow. Clary's leadership skills were recognized by the AIMS 3rd Annual High School Report Cards 2003 when they gave Cottrell's Cove Academy an A+

Grade and selected C.C.A. as one of the two top High Schools in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Under his leadership, C.C.A. used another innovative technique to help raise funds. The school budget was too small to acquire the extras that were needed in the gymnasium, computer laboratory, physical fitness room, and the library so he created a charitable trust in the name of the school and solicited corporate foundations from all across Canada and the United States. The response was enormous. Well in excess of \$100,000 was raised from 1996 until he retired in 2009.

Clary was also a sports oriented person. He was an avid organizer and participant in school volleyball and ball hockey and frequently organized and travelled with school teams to various tournaments, especially volleyball. His teams did well in regional and provincial tournaments. He made sure that the school offered other sports in the fitness program, as well. Recreational sports were available after school for any students who wanted to participate. Adults were encouraged to play ball hockey, etc. in the evenings when the gym was available. Clary participated in regional sports activities, himself, particularly hockey and softball in the Botwood area in addition to the adult evening sports mentioned earlier.

Clary also enjoyed rabbit and moose hunting. He loved to take his dogs on the rabbit hunt. During the rabbit season, he and his friends spent practically every Saturday in on the hills. He enjoyed ice fishing and the annual salmon angling season on the Exploits River. Clary was an avid fly fisherman, and continued to fish even through difficult times during his illness. After his death, his fishing friends placed a plaque in his honour on the face of a cliff on the Exploits River near the Max Simms Memorial Camp.

Clary passed peacefully away on May 14, 2010 surrounded by family and close personal friends at the Central Health Center in Grand Falls-Windsor. He fought a courageous fourteen month battle with cancer, but was active in the woods up until six weeks before his passing. His funeral took place at the Salvation Army Church in Seal Cove on May 17, 2010 after which he was interred at the cemetery near the church.

(Written by Thomas Tulk, a colleague, with thanks to Clary's family.)

Tribute



Clifford Mills

Clifford was born on July 6, 1930 in Burlington, Green Bay, where he received his early education. He later attended Memorial University, St. John's, from where he graduated with a B.A.(Ed) and a B.A. in 1950. He taught school for seven years at Snook's Arm, Rattling

Brook, North West River, Labrador and at Valleyfield. He then became supervisor of schools with the Department of Education, where he served for nine years. In his last years as supervisor, in the area from Ladle Cove to Trinity, B.B., he was responsible for organizing the Cape Freels Integrated School Board. He became its first, and up until his retirement, its only superintendent, for seventeen years.

Clifford married Rynette Burry of Valleyfield, who predeceased him and they had four sons and five daughters. His family will miss his familiar laugh, his somewhat humorous but always compassionate approach to every problem.

He was active in his community, being an active and devoted member of the Lions Club, and the Society of United Fishermen. He was also for some years involved in the work of the United Church of Canada, serving as a lay reader and as a Sunday School Superintendent, as well as being member of the church choir. Despite his involvements with the school and the community he found time to relax at carpentry, hunting, fishing and reading.

He has touched the lives of many people always in a positive way. He always looked for the good in people, and was always slow and hesitant to condemn. We all came to appreciate his humility, along with dedication, efficiency, and his great devotion to the highest standard of education for the youth of the community. He had the knack for bringing out the best in people, and inspiring his fellow workers to strive continually for greater achievement. Cliff was an outstanding public speaker. Few people had the talent to put an audience at ease as he did. Cliff was a friend to everyone.

Clifford passed peacefully away in Brookfield Hospital on December 1, 2010 with his wife, Clarice, and family by his bedside. Funeral services were conducted from the United Church and interment followed at the United Church Cemetery in Valleyfield.

(Written by Clifford's wife, Clarice)

Family Tree of Vincent Van Gogh

His dizzy aunt Verti Gogh
The brother who ate prunes. Gotta Gogh
The brother who worked at a convenience store . . .
. Stop N Gogh
The grandfather from Yugoslavia U Gogh
His magician uncle Where-diddy Gogh
His Mexican cousin. A Mee Gogh
The Mexican cousin's American half-brother
. Gring Gogh
The nephew who drove a stage coach
. Wells-Far Gogh
The constipated uncle Can't Gogh
The ballroom dancing aunt Tang Gogh
The bird lover uncle Flamin Gogh
The fruit loving cousin Man Gogh
An aunt who taught positive thinking . Way-to-Gogh
The little bouncing nephew. Poe Gogh
A sister who loved disco Go Gogh
And his niece who travels the country in an RV . . .
. Winnie Bay Gogh

Obituary



Hubert R. Thomas

Hubert was born on January 29, 1937 to Eugene and Mary Thomas of St. John's. He attended Holloway School where he received his Elementary Education and then Prince of Wales Collegiate for High School. After High School he went on to Memorial University in St. John's and Dalhousie

University in Halifax before he began his teaching career. At University he achieved Bachelor Degrees in Arts and Education in 1964 and a Graduate Diploma in Education in 1972.

His teaching career began in 1963 and spanned over thirty years until his retirement in 1993. During that time he taught four years at New World Island, four years at Baie d'Espoir, four years at Glovertown, five years at Fogo Island, four years at Nain, Labrador and nine years at Gander where he was Assistant Superintendent.

Hubert met his wife Pauline when she was assigned to him at the Twillingate Hospital. They were blessed with three children Natalie, Peter and Heather and one grandchild.

Hubert's involvements in the community were many and varied. On New World Island he was a member of the Lions Club. At Baie d'Espoir he helped at the Rod and Gun Club, coordinated the Adult Education Program, and was Founding President of the Baie d'Espoir local branch of the NLTA. In Glovertown he coordinated Adult Education, was provincial representative for the Rural Development Committee, town councillor for three years and provincial member of the NLTA Executive. In Nain he organized a major education conference between LIA and Labrador East Integrated School Board, and worked on the formation of the Northern Labrador NLTA Branch. On Fogo Island he was a Boy Scout leader, chaired local meetings of the Hospital Board and was a regional member of the Library Board. In Gander he was chairman of the Young Offenders Residence

Committee for seven years, chairman of the Gander & District Hospital Board for seven years, and a member and President of the Retired Teachers' Association Central Division for two years after his retirement.

Hubert began to experience medical problems after retirement which limited his capacity to get involved as much as he would have liked. It was because of his illness that he moved to St. John's to be near the hospital. He said that he wasn't very active in the community except for being a member of the Newfoundland Historical Society. This lack of contact with people and other members of his teaching profession he regretted very much.

Hubert passed peacefully away in the presence of his family on April 9, 2011 at the Palliative Care Unit of the Miller Center. Cremation took place and, at his request, there was no service or visitation, but a celebration of his life was held.

(This information was supplied by Hubert, himself, to be used for a Biography in this issue of the Cornucopia)

What a Beautiful Day!

My face in the mirror
Isn't wrinkled or drawn.
My house isn't dirty,
The cobwebs are gone.
My garden looks lovely
And so does my lawn.
I think I might never
Put my glasses back on.

Honour Roll

The following is a list of the members who passed away since the inception of the Central Division of the Retired Teachers' Association in June 1980.

1981

Edgar Boland
Hayward T. Burden
Reginald W. Curtis

1982

Ruby Boone (Bowring)
Harry Chalk
Aubrey Bruce Laing
Susie Pike

1983

William (Bill) Bishop
Russell Crant
Douglas Snelgrove
Edna M. Warren

1984

Violet Elliott
Howard S. Ford
Theodore Jackman
Mark Kelligrew
Myra Grace Lethbridge
Edith M. Manuel
Kathleen Regina Smith

1985

Patricia D. Boone
Mary Butler (Aylward)
Harold Morris
Wilfred Murphy
Wesley Charles Nippard

1986

Frazer Banfield
Allan G. Dwyer
Gordon Perry
Alfreda Kathleen Russell
Beatrice Short

Mabel Thomas
James Ernest Thoms

1987

Alan John Cole
Boyd Penney
Maj. Pearl Snelgrove

1988

Doreen Bourden
Sr. Fabian Dunn
Gertrude Locke

1989

Elizabeth Betty Collins
Angus Cook
Marjorie Gillingham
Alice Lacey
Terry Winston Mercer
George Parsons
Lorna Pynn
Stanley Whiteway

1990

Daniel W. Bragg
Mary Bragg
Neville Butler
Grace Gill
Nina Lane
Harold B. Loder
W. Wade Martin
Rev. Clarence C. Randell
Cecil E. Sheppard
Ishmael Tiller

1991

Berkley Abbott
Alfred Andrews
Ralph Gillingham

Arthur H. Young

1992

Sr. Bernadette Aucoin
Sr. Celestine Bouzanne
Sheila Carleson
James Fitzgerald
Rowena Keeping
Cornelius Lane
Margaret Rodway Rose
Felix Sellars
Connie Selidon

1993

Walter Chalk
Stewart Kelly
Mary MacIntyre
Stephen Blair Oldford
Lily Pearce
Marie Philpott
Melvin Slade
Willoughby Thomas
Aloysius Walsh
Irving Wheaton
Joseph Freeman White

1994

John P. Boland
Owen William Burry
Otis Burton
Albert Chalk
Rex Clarke
Evangeline Edna Drake
Ralph Evans
Eugenia Gallardo
Winston Hann
Crystal Hoffe
Edwin Moore

Peter Walbourne
Everett Whiteway

1995

Samuel D. Button
Neta Chappell
Janie (Sparkes) Davis
Leonard E. Franson
Abram M. Gillett
Juanita Gillingham
Mary Kelly
Alice M. Murphy
Marion Noel
Rev. J. Merrill Rose

1996

Margaret Broaders
Gertrude Brooking
C. Lloyd Buffett
Hubert Dowding
Lawrence Gulliford
Robert R. Marshall
Florence Miller
Inez Nolan
Nellie Warren

1997

Emma Barbour
Allan Boyd
Dorothy Gwilliam
Florence Hogan
Marcus Hopkins
Sophie Kinden
Mildred Mills
Fred Morris
Elsie Peach
Nita Pelley
Derek Rockwood

Honour Roll

George Sheppard
Abram Turner
Rex Vivian

1998

Stephen H. Brown
Elizabeth (Glavine) Head
Ruth Matthews
Maxwell Mullett
Truman Noel
Bruce Penny
Belle Pritchett
Stewart R. Toope

1999

Shirley Bulgin
Freeman Butt
Patricia Ann Connors
Leslie Duffett
Frederick P. Hale
Marina Hilario
James Hill
Frederick J. Newhook
Sandy Parsons
Willis Williams

2000

Harvey J. W. Beck
Ruby Eileen Brake
Lynn Brazil
Marjorie Louise Cassell
Howard Elliott
Jean Elliott
Meryl Marie Elliott
Barbara Anne Ennis
Elijah Feltham
George A. Hickman
Vernon W. Hiscock
Joan Ann Kelly
Mollie E. McPherson

Alice O'Keefe
Terry Pickens
Florence Starkes
Lloyd Stone
Douglas Gordon Sutton
Boyd Trask
Raymond Troke

2001

Elsie Bond
Marilyn Day
Wilson Eastman
Hubert Elliott
Mervyn Roy Foster
Daniel Green
Albert Hall
Elizabeth A. Hillyard
Bernice LeGrow
Frazer Oakley
Ruth E. Roberts
Brig. Stella Russell
Christina St. Croix
Stan Whiteway
N. Ray Wight

2002

Ena Necho
Norman Paddock
Ronald Parsons
Gertrude Payne
Cecil James Penny
Terrance Roberts
John B. Strowbridge
Curtis Thorne

2003

Myles Blanchard
Cyril Bull
Pratt Burton
Stanley Coish

Wilson Earl
Francis Gale
Blanche C. Gillett
Mary Grant
Audrey Goodyear
Debbie Moss Hillier
Marion Hollohan
Violet Maude Jones
Michael Kelly
Mary A. McCormick
Jean E. Messervey
Elmo Piercey
Elizabeth D. Rowsell
Cheryl Julie Smart
Chesley Spurrell
Rita Thompson

2004

Margaret Barker
Louise M. Burton
W. Blanche Case
Clyde Crummey
Ambrose Kelly
Frank Leyte
Harry Moore
Eric Norman
Neta Madonna O'Toole
Harry Reid
Eric Rogers
Maj. Herbert Snelgrove
Harris Thistle
Clement Williams
Lorne Woolridge

2005

Robert Arklie
Bradford Baxendale
Gwendolyn Budgell
Frederick Butler
Joan Clarke

Maxine P. Collins
Edward Combden
Orville Cooper
John Croke
Eric Gulliford
Vina Meadus
Wesley Robbins
Marie Rose
Harbhaian M. Singh
Nellie Small
Frank Smith
Raymond Smith
Sr. Mary Gertrude Wall
Cluny Waye
Maunda Windsor

2006

Paul Boyle
Ellen Brown
Jaye Butler
Bramwell Dawe
Lloyd C. Hatcher
Geraldine Hodder
Leonard Hynes
Barry Jackman
David Jeans
Charles Lewis
Verna Lewis
Mary Murray
Conrad Oldford
John Jacob Parsons
Faith Shuglo
Maude Stride
Bridget Manning
Gertrude Thorne
Aubrey Wright

2007

Theresa Antle
Melvin Bown

Honour Roll

William Burry
Doyle Burt
William D. Churchill
Pierce Foley
Mary Hannah Fudge
Mary E. McLean
Wilfred Oliver
Warrick Pynn
Carrie Quinlan
Albert Samson
Ruby Violet Sutton
Marguerite Taylor
Robert S. Tiller
Wilfred Earl Young

2008

Audrey Bull
Robert Butler
Wade Colbourne
Charlie (William) Critch
Sylvia Foley
Arthur Leslie Forde
Barbara Heffern
Catherine King
Joseph Nurse
Raymond Palmer
Pierce Power
Sadie Eunice Rees
Amelia Rideout
Sheri Shankel-Woolfrey
Bernadette Shea
Nina Silk
Nina Smith

Vernon Snelgrove
Alfred Snow
Ronald Spurrell
Iona Grace Stuckless
Kathleen Walsh
Diane Whiteway
Freda Woolridge

2009

Doreen Andrews
Roy Babstock
Nellie Louise Bishop
Lloyd Blanchard
Jean Boyde
Stephen Bowering
Edith Mae Burt
Marlene Burton
Fronie Butler
Roland Clarke
Sr. M. Liguori Downey
Leslie Harris
Ruth Taylor Lacey
George Lockyer
Mary Matthews
Lizita Murphy
Edward Nofle
Grace Osmond
Anna Belle Peddle
Roy Pilgrim
Annie Pope
Edwina Power
Samuel Ryan
Rupert Short

Reginald Smart
David Taite
Florence Vincent
Irene Warford

2010

Lillie Adams
Gwendolyn Best
Edgar B. Best
Shirley Billard
R. Neil Boyd
Frazer Brown
Sybil R. Butt
Laurie Chalk
Kerry Clarke
James A. Combden
Judy Cornick
Audrey Coward
Una Norma Cox
Edgar Davis
Alma Fisher
Madeline C. Freake
Muriel Legge
Clary Loveless
Lloyd Melindy
Rev. Ralph N. Moss
Marie Noel
Alma Penny
Irene Penny
Dorothy Rose
Patricia Ryan
Leonard J. Small

2011

Baxter Andrews
Silas Avery
Stella Blackmore
Roy Best
Rosa Belle Bowering
Harold Dale
Mary Cecilia Fitzgerald
Beverly Ann Forward
John Manuel Freake
Nena Galam
Florence Gillingham
Gerald Lloyd Hancock
Alma Harbin
Caroline T. Hinchey
Owen Junior Hiscock
Albert J. Hoddinott
Walter Hunt
Linda Madonna Hynes
Fran Locke
Neta Ruby Martin
Richard Payne
Neil Pelley
Arthur Pitcher
Wayne Donald Rice
Alan Rogers
Raymond W. Smith
Ruby Swyers Wheeler
Hubert Thomas
Patricia M. Thornhill
Laura Weir
Dorothy Lenora White
Maj. Grace Williams

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

INFORMATION ON DECEASED TEACHERS

Retired Teachers' Association CENTRAL DIVISION

Name: _____
(include maiden name where applicable)

Place of Birth: _____
(country, province, town, city, bay, etc.)

Date of Birth: _____
(day, month, year)

Early Education: _____
(primary, elementary, secondary school attended)

Post-secondary Education: _____
(college, university, degrees and dates)

Years of Experience Teaching: _____

Names of Communities and Schools Taught In: _____
(include positions held, first teaching position, when, where; plus time spent as: classroom teacher, administrator, board person)

Date of Retirement: _____ Date and Place of Death: _____

Place of Interment: _____

Other Pertinent Information: _____
(community activities, church activities, volunteer work, hobbies, awards or honours received, travels, any reference in newspaper clippings)

Additional information may be included on a separate sheet. Please enclose photograph.

Date: _____

Name of person submitting the above information: _____

Address of person submitting information (include phone number): _____

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