

NBSRT SJ AGM & SPRING LUNCHEON MAY 19, 2016

- 1. Call to Order **Barry Harbinson** 2. Singing of "O Canada" led by Nancy Steele 3. Remain Standing for Grace by Gerry Mabey 4. Luncheon 5. Memorial Moment Kathy Wilson 6. Thank you to H.O.P.E. Centre Judy Braman 7. Fifty Fifty Draw and Door Prizes 8. Motion to accept minutes as circulated 9. Business arising from the minutes Reports (written and on tables) 10. Minutes of Fall Luncheon Judy Braman President's Report **Barry Harbinson** Treasurer's Report **Robert Taylor** Director's Report Nancy Steele Scholarship Report Netta Chase Newsletter **Brian** Greig Kathy Wilson Reflections Pat Dugay Museum
 - 11. New Business NBSRT Budget 2016 2017
 - 12. Looking Back 65 years of history
 - 13. Special Presentation
 - 14. Adjournment

Please be aware that we do take pictures at our events that could be included in articles in Reflection or posted on our website. If you do not want your picture used in this manner please advise us of your decision.



A stockbroker urged me to buy a stock that would triple its value every year. I told him, "At my age, I don't even buy green bananas." Claude Pepper



President's Report

As we gather at this luncheon to conduct our Annual AGM we must also celebrate the sixty five years of service the New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers Saint John Branch has provided its membership. An incredible debt is owed to the many individuals who have served in a variety of capacities over the society's history. This thanks is also extended to the current committee who provide so

many hours of service to you by insuring the work of the association continues. Hopefully you receive and read our newsletters that keep you abreast of the issues facing retirees as well as the activities planned on your behalf. Please consider offering you assistance in keeping our association relevant and energenitic.

Barry Harbinson President NBSRT SJ

Anyone who thinks that they are too small to make a difference has never tried to fall asleep with a mosquito in the room. (Christine Todd Whitman)



Three issues of the NBSRT SJ newsletter were sent out during the 2015-2016 year. I sincerely thank all those who assisted with the newsletters -- contributors, those who offered advice during my first year of heading the newsletters and those who assisted with the distribution. If anyone has suggestions, advice or criticisms, please contact me at: <u>bgreig@nbnet.nb.ca</u>. Respectfully submitted

Brian Greig, NBSRTSJ Newsletter Chair



School Days Museum

Fredericton

The School Days Museum, in Fredericton, is underway with construction of a Consolidated School. This will depict the 50's where the classroom set up will feature desks, chalkboard, maps, abc cards, a teacher mannequin dressed

to the fashion of the time, cases of memorabilia including Dick and Jane, and much more. The One Room School is also here to visit. A new flat screen television holds a wealth of information on the history of the school system. The museum staff is looking forward to another successful season. Also, if you have any artifacts circa the 1950's-- clothing, pictures, lunch boxes, school bags, glue bottles (with the pink top) and a wig that you would like to either loan or donate for the exhibit, please contact the following;

Norma Murphy (506) 659-2553 ngmurphy51@yahoo.com

Or Pat Dugay (506) 672-3973 patdugay@hotmail.ca

A visit to the museum is a great way to spend a summer afternoon while in our capital city! With thanks,

Pat Dugay



Scholarship Committee Report

Since 1963 the NBSRT Saint John Branch has annually presented a scholarship to a Saint John student attending UNBSJ. The scholarship is administered by the university.

The 2015-2016 Scholarship recipient, Miss Kemi Collier, is enrolled in the

Bachelor of Science program at UNBSJ. Kemi's photograph and thank you letter for the scholarship valued at \$2,000 are posted on the NBSRT Saint John website. Kemi is a graduate of St. Malachy's Memorial High School.

NBSRT Saint John Branch Scholarship Fund memorial cards are available at local funeral homes and at the fall and spring luncheons. Also cards to mark special occasions are available at the luncheons. If you make a donation to the scholarship fund you will receive an official tax receipt for your contribution. Please make your cheque payable to the University of New Brunswick. Mailing address: University of New Brunswick, Development Office, NBSRT Saint John Branch Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 4400, Fredericton, N.B. E3B 5A3

For the reporting period May 1, 2014 – April 30, 2015 the fund received \$ 350.00 in donations. The New Brunswick University Opportunities Fund matched 50% of our gifts. Netta Chase

NBSRT Saint John Branch DIRECTOR'S Report May 4, 2016



The NBSRT May meeting was held at Ramada Inn celebrating 40 + years of service. The morning began with a presentation of Honorary Lifetime Membership Award presented to Faye Brophy on site and to Robert Penny at a later date. The business meeting convened at 9 AM with 67 in attendance. The following is a brief summary

of the Annual General Meeting.

<u>Membership</u>: Dale MacRae membership secretary reported as of March 2016 we have 2724 active members. The trend is increasing and there is a new membership card available upon request. Contact Dale at <u>macradar@gmail.com</u> and provide the following information: Name, Branch, Date of Birth, Year of Retirement. Your new card will be more durable and will contain the member number which will allow access to Membership Only section of the provincial website (<u>www.nbsrt.ca</u>).

Biennial 2017: The Miramichi branch MARTA will be hosting this event <u>May 9, 10 2017</u> and the theme will be celebrating Canada's 150th Anniversary. Arrangements are being finalized. Rooms are reserved at the Rodd Inn and it was suggested if you are going to attend make your reservation early as this is also prime Bass fishing season! Information will be updated on the MARTA website.

<u>The committee reports are all on the NBSRT Provincial Members Only website.</u> It is strongly suggested you visit this site to read the full reports. Highlights: Group Insurance booklets will be ready soon. Notify Johnson to have one mailed (1-800-442-4428) or you may choose to view on line. Make sure you check before leaving the country or province if you have a pre-existing condition. Check out the new information on CAREpath the Cancer Assistance Program and other information in the April NBTF Group Insurance Newsletter. The School Days Museum is looking for new board members. Mildred Urquhart will continue as director for ACER-CART. Larry Jamieson and Bob Fitzpatrick are continuing to work with government on pension concerns, more information will be forthcoming.

<u>On behalf of our local executive and branch we extend congratulations to Marg Urquhart as she</u> begins her 2 year role as President of NBSRT.

The following were elected at the May meeting:

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President	Marg Urquhart
1 st Vice President	June McNairn
2 nd Vice President	Wayne Spires
Recording Secretary	Mary Campbell
Treasurer	Bruce Robertson
Membership Secretary	Dale MacRae
ACERT-CART	Mildred Urquhart
Senior Coalition	Roger Nesbitt

Respectfully Submitted, Nancy Steele Director NBSRT SJ



Website Committee Report May 2016

This year our committee is pleased to present a new looking website. We hope you have perused the site and find it easy to navigate.

Our layout allows you to quickly access the latest events, news, opportunities and our bi-yearly newsletter. You can also discover information about Group Insurance, our Scholarship program and much more. Click on Photos to view some of the social events that have taken place.

The committee continues to update the site so you have the most recent information.

You can view our site at http://www.nbsrtsj.nbta.ca

Look us up!

Respectfully submitted:

Ellen Palmer – Website Committee



Reflections magazine has had on average two articles published from our zone. We are pleased members and groups are sending in photos and information on their activities that reflect the busy life of the retired! More articles are 'in the works'. Photos of our upcoming 65th

anniversary which will be officially celebrated on May 19, 2016 with a luncheon, will be in our next issue. Kathy Wilson Reflections Contributor for Saint John

Barry Harbinson, President: Gerry Mabey, Vice President: Robert Taylor, Treasurer: Pat Loughery, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

NBSRT SAINT JOHN BRANCH - ANNUAL REPORT - 19 MAY 2016

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Description	Budget 2015-16	<u>Actual 2015-</u> <u>16</u>	Budget 2016-17	
Revenues				
Membership Dues - Provincial	7080	\$7,056.00	7,200	
Membership Dues - Local	480	\$0	600	
Lapel Pins	40	\$0	0	
50/50, Door Prizes (net)	500	\$564.26	500	
Total Revenues	8100	\$7,509.76	8,300	
Expenditures				
Annual Meeting (net)		-\$6.11		
St. Andrews Trip (net)		-\$10.00		
Executive Barbecue		\$54.55		
District Retirement Dinner		\$105.00		
Dropout Brunch (net)		\$32.00		
Fall Luncheon (net)		-\$156.38		
2 Card Parties (net)		\$63.65		
Christmas Wine & Cheese (net)		\$653.98		
65th Anniversary Prizes (2)		\$130.00		
Social Committee - Total	2200	\$866.69	2,200	
Meeting Facilities	200	\$150	200	
Provincial Travel, Meals	800	\$244.25	600	
Mailouts	1000	\$837.09	1000	
Donations, Memorials	1000	\$1,680.00	1500	
Executive Committee	200	\$37.05	200	
Card Committee	50	\$25.00	50	
Workshops	200	\$50.00	200	
Pension Committee	100	\$0	100	
Publicity	300	\$0	300	
Reflections	50	\$0	50	
Scholarship Committee	100	\$0	100	
School Days Museum	100	\$0	100	
Telephone Committee	50	\$0	50	
Website Committee	500	\$305.25	300	
Group Insurance Committee	100	\$0	100	
Wellness Activities	400	\$300.00	400	
Bank Charges	50	\$36.00	50	
Biennial - Grand Falls	1200	\$750.00	0	
Contingency Fund	1000	\$759.36	1000	
Miscellaneous	100	\$0	100	
Total Expenditures	9700	\$6,040.69	8,600	
Surplus / (Deficit)	-1600	\$1,579.57	-300	

<u>NBSRT – SAINT JOHN BRANCH</u>

ASSETS As of April 30th, 2016

All funds are held at Bayview Credit Union.	
Current Account	\$6035.16
Membership Shares	\$2000.00
Surplus Shares	\$ 290.00
3-Year Step GIC matured May 10 th , 2016	\$5583.41
5-Year Step GIC maturing March 19 th , 2017	\$5465.05
3-Year Step GIC maturing April 30 th , 2018	<u>\$3030.08</u>
Total	\$22110.42
(Note: GIC values are as of May 10 th , 2016.)	

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

I have inspected the records of receipts and expenditures of the NB Society of Retired Teachers, Saint John Branch, for the period from May 1st, 2015 to April 30th, 2016. I am satisfied that the records are accessible and complete and accurately reflect the financial transactions of the Branch for the period. I do not presume to offer opinions as to the merit of any transactions.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry McPhee.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

As of May 18, 2016: Members = 593

Members with email = 390 Members with no emails registered with us = 203 If you are NOT currently receiving information via emails for NBSRTSJ and you have an email address.... Please go to our website <u>http://www.nbsrtsj.nbta.ca</u> and select MEMBERSHIP in the top menu, and then <u>UPDATE YOUR INFO</u>. This allows you to send us updated information about your address, etc... as well as send us your email. The above also allows you to send us a change in email address or home address if you have changed it. It also gives you info about where to send your change of address to the Pension Branch should you have an address change. This form will be updated to reflect the changes coming to our pension administrator, Vestcor Corporation. NOTE: It would be much more efficient for you to process information via email. However, we do understand that this is not possible or desirable by everyone.

Respectfully submitted: Kathy Dalling Membership Secretary

Barry Harbinson, President: Gerry Mabey, Vice President: Robert Taylor, Treasurer: Pat Loughery, Secretary