

## **April 2006, Newsletter**

### **Alumni Activities**

#### **1. Cookbook**

Our "After School Recipes" Cookbook project has been quite successful. The second printing has arrived, and we have sold about 200 of those. Anyone still wanting a copy should contact Wendy 622-4642 (wendy@learndesk.com) or Dianne 836 2644 (dmullin@nbnet.nb.ca)

#### **2. Quilt Raffle**

In the fall for 2005 Carol Mae Matchett donated a beautiful hand made quilt which she pieced and quilted. We sold raffle tickets on the quilt from October to December. The winner was Andrew Jardine from Whitney. Profit from the quilt was approximately \$700 to add to our scholarship fund.

#### **3. "Arts Plus" Fall fundraiser**

On Oct 1 2005 we held a fundraising evening at the Sunny Corner Lions's Club. After a turkey dinner put on by the Lions Club, those attending participated in various silent and live auctions as well as a raffle. Donations were received from various businesses, individuals and many NSER Alumni. A number of pieces of "art" as well as various handicrafts were also auctioned. The evening was fun, entertaining and successful. We raised over \$5,000 for our scholarship fund. Thanks go to Dan Johnston '62 and his committee for organizing the event and to Kevin Silliker '69 for doing the auctioneering.

### **Awards**

Alumni and Friends awarded scholarships to 4 students in June 2005. The Alumni scholarship of \$500 each went to Kelsey Matchett and Amanda McAllister. The Dr. Jerry Wilson scholarship of \$1,000 was awarded to Elliot Estey and the W.D. Hamilton Writing award of \$500 also went to Elliot Estey.

In June 2006 we will be awarding a \$1,000 scholarship as well as the annual Dr. Jerry Wilson and the W. D. Hamilton scholarships.

### **Up coming Events**

The second Annual Fall Fundraiser is set for September 30, 2006. Watch for more information on this event. Tickets will be available during the summer months.

### **The Annual Meeting**

The 10<sup>th</sup> annual meeting was held on November 5 - 2005. The newly elected executive is:

President: Wendy Matthews ' 67  
Vice President: Dallas Stewart ' 82  
Secretary: Angie Murphy ' 98  
Past President: Villa Urquhart ' 54  
Treasurer: Debbie Matchett ' 66

The Board members are:  
Carol Mae Matchett ' 67  
Terry Matthews ' 62  
Bertha Taylor ' 84  
Ben Mullin ' 67  
Roy Silliker ' 80  
Bruce Whipple

### **Board Meetings:**

The Board of Directors meets regularly 5 times a year. The schedule for 2005 is:

February 8  
April 12,  
June 14  
August 9  
October 11

The 2006 Annual meeting is scheduled for November 22 at NSER Library at 7:00 P.M.

The February Board meeting set priorities for 2006-2007

1. to update the Alumni database
2. to raise our profile with NSER students
3. to hold an annual fundraising event
4. to complete a mailing contact with members

### **Ten Years of Success**

Alumni and Friends of NSER was established in 1996. Since then we have:

1. Given out scholarships and awards totaling approximately \$25, 000.
2. established and maintained a database of 2500 alumni members
3. done several mailings of newsletters to Alumni, locally and across North America.
4. published and maintained a website.
5. organized an extremely successful 50<sup>th</sup> Reunion in 2001.
6. installed an attractive showcase at NSER, with plaques honouring those who have donated over \$250. to Alumni and Friends.
7. placed memorial cards in local funeral homes for anyone wishing to donate to Alumni and Friends in memory of loved ones.
8. gratefully accepted donations in memory of Dr. Jerry Wilson, administer this investment and award an annual memorial scholarship on behalf of the Wilson family.
9. gratefully accepted a donation from W.D. Hamilton, administer this investment and award an annual scholarship on his behalf.
10. established an investment fund from money raised through projects and donations, the purpose of which is to eventually generate income to support scholarships and awards.

### **You Can Help**

Please help us keep our database of contacts up to date by providing your updated address and email address.