

ARNS Notes Association of retired nait staff

Fall 2005

ARNS President's Message

I hope that you have all had a very good summer (albeit somewhat cool here in Edmonton) and have managed to do all the things which retirement makes so enjoyable. The years seem to go by so quickly that it is difficult to achieve everything that we want to do during our short summers.

By the time this newsletter reaches you we hope that we will have had our first meeting to organize and plan how to develop the NAIT history project that we have been talking about for so long. More information on this at the banquet. Speaking of the banquet, it is planned for Tuesday October the 25th and will be in Ernests Fine Dining which is what was formally the NAIT Dining Room. There is a limited amount of space available (90 places) so make sure that you get your name in to Bob Morgan early.

United Way!

NAIT is a proud supporter of the United Way and the support of our retired staff members is key to our success in helping the United Way produce positive, meaningful results today.

You will be receiving your pledge form along with a postage-paid envelope shortly. I encourage you to contact me at 471-7790 should you have any questions related to the United Way Campaign at NAIT. I look forward to seeing you on campus and thank you for your continued support.

Thank you to all those members who have volunteered their time in some of the various activities at NAIT. It is because of your help that we receive a donation enabling us to run our organization. This is your association and as such we rely on volunteers and that includes positions on the Executive. This



ARNS 2005 Executive (*Back L-R*) Dave Robertson (PR/Information), Bob Morgan (Social Coordinator), Farooq Siddiqui (Past President), Frank Boodram (Vice President), Chris Hardy (President). (*Front L-R*) Lynn McCall (Secretary), Jean Lang (Treasurer).

year we will be losing some of the Executive as their 3 year term expires so we will be looking for some replacements. Please give some thought to volunteering; it is not a difficult or time consuming job. We meet once a month except during the summer to plan the activities for the next few months. It's very sociable and keeps us in touch with what is happening at NAIT.

Our WEB site has come under some criticism due to being out of date. This has now been corrected and we now have access through the Alumni Office to make changes as needed. www.nait.ca/arns

Chris Hardy

ARNS Executive 2005

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Traci Toschack

From the Corner Office

Once again, there is no shortage of exciting news to share with the ARNS community, beginning with spring Convocation. We celebrated our largest graduating class ever; a record 6,740 students are now making an impact on the many organizations they joined.

I am also excited to tell you we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Edmonton to study a partnership to build a community recreation centre in north central Edmonton. The memorandum outlines a planning process for both organizations to work together to develop a joint functional program report, a preliminary business case and the terms of a long-term agreement. The results of this study will be presented to Council in December.

Construction is full steam ahead on three whose ongoing support and volunteer of our four Centres for Apprenticeship Technology. The Spartan Centre for

Instrumentation Technology and the Centre for Millwright Technology are well underway on Main Campus as well as the Waiward Steel Centre for Steel Technologies at Souch Campus.

Which brings me to our most ambitious initiative ever. Together with our partners in government and industry, we have launched a campaign to raise \$50 million for the construction of centres for apprenticeship technologies and business. The Building on Demand campaign was announced October 4, and will go a long way toward providing the highly-trained graduates needed to alleviate serious skills shortages in Alberta and beyond. Stay tuned for more details.

Thanks to all in the ARNS community efforts contribute to the success of many NAIT initiatives Over and over again,

SPRING BBQ REPORT Bob Morgan, Social Chair

Last May 17th turned out to be a bit of a dismal day to say the least! Never mind, NAIT'S Catering team put together a meal for us that was "A-OK". We stayed inside the south lobby and pretended to be outside enjoying the sunny day. As always, we enjoyed some good company, shared a few stories, told a few lies, and generally had a real good time.

We were introduced to Mr. Patrick Machacek who is the new Director of Development. Patrick spoke briefly to our group and generally got to know who we are. As well, Mr. George Andrews, V.P. External Relations greeted us and shared some exciting news about developments which are happening at NAIT and future plans. It's always great to be kept informed. Chris Hardy, ARNS President brought greetings and managed one more of his bad jokes much to the delight of the audience.

I thank Lauren and her staff for setting up and providing the meal for us. Note - if you left an umbrella at the BBQ and got wet on the way home, Lauren has it in the catering office.

I look forward to seeing you all at the annual fall meeting in the dining room at NAIT. There will be further news about this very important meeting coming to you soon. Remember, to avoid disappointment, get your seats early. We can only accommodate about 90 people for a comfortable evening.

THANKS for reading my report.

you demonstrate that it is NAIT's people who set this Institute apart from the rest.

Sincerely,

W.A. (Sam) Shaw, PhD NAIT President sams@nait.ca

Recent Retirees

Norah Anderson Harry Baggs **Don Cameron Terence** Cooke Jerry Dubyk **Brian Dyck** William Escott **David Fournier Reynold Gascon** Armin Gebauer **Barry Katzin** Michael Kessick Lois Koski **Henry Moisan Cuong Nguyen** Kent Oliver Pearl Ouinn John Reeves **Ronald Reid** Don Roberts James Sanders Hector Schelstraete Armin Schlitt **Richard Sulek Dave Williams Gerald Worger** Keith Yates



Annual 'Fall' Banquet

Fun & Fellowship - Special Guests - Special Recognitions Spouse or companions welcome!

Tuesday, October 25, 2005

Ernest's Fine Dining

Evening will include:

Banquet Dinner

Annual Meeting Election of Officers Special Guests Special Recognition

Program

 6:00 p.m. No Host Bar

7:45 p.m. Business Meeting

7:00 p.m. Dinner

Parking

LOT "D" VISITORS (South of Parkade)

Price

\$25.00 per person - cheques, payable to ARNS:

Deadline for reservations October 20, 2005 in order to finalize attendance numbers with Food Services. Dining room capacity is only 90 so don't be disappointed.

RSVP to Bob Morgan 475-4140

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Help needed - NA	IT histe	ory	pro	ject	
Your help is urgently needed to make this project a reality. Please complete and return the form below to the Alumni Office at 11762 106 St, Edmonton, AB, T5G 2R1 or contact Chris Hardy at (780) 417-0690 for more information.					
I have memorabilia, pictures, documents useful for the project.		Yes		No 🗌	
I would be willing to serve on a committee to further this project.		Yes		No 🗌	
I would be willing to help in the collection of material.		Yes		No 🗌	
I would be willing to do some writing.		Yes		No 🗌	
Do you have any suggestions for the project?					
Name	Address				
Phone No	Email				
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In Memoriam

Donald Currie retired staff member since 1978 passed away on February 3, 2005.

Mary Misyk retired staff member since 1978 passed away on April 7, 2005 at the age of 91 years.

James Gibbons retired staff member since 1999 passed away on April 13, 2005. **Donald Humphrey** retired staff member since 1996 passed away on April 26, 2005 at the age of 69 years.

Doug Mitchell retired staff member since 1990 passed away on March 15, 2005 at the age of 74 years.

Joan Ronnie retired staff member since 1996 passed away on January 24, 2005.

What's New



Nelson Kennedy, retired Dean of NAIT's School of Health Sciences and Hospitality, was recently recognized for "Lifetime of Achievement and Distinctive Leadership in the Health

Professions" by the Canadian Society of Respiratory Therapists. This national organization honoured Nelson in June by announcing a lecture series in his name.

What's new with you...

the inaugural lecture was given by the Honourable Stephen Lewis, former Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations, and noted speaker. Nelson currently divides his time between Edmonton and Saltspring Island. (photo Nelson with Stephen Lewis)

Linda Lamabe, retired Administrative Support in the President's Office, writes to say she and her husband have retired to their home/cottage at Kipabiskau Lake in Saskatchewan. "We now have two grandchildren and are enjoying retirement. The ARNS newsletter is great and we look forward to receiving it!"

Bulletin

NAIT Open House October 14 & 15, 2005 (Main Campus)

Open House 2005 is quickly approaching and we are once again looking for volunteers to provide information at the Visitor Information Booths. These booths play an integral role in greeting and responding to questions about NAIT. If you would like to help, please call Jody Audenart in the Alumni Office at (780) 471-7514.

Annual Fall Banquet & AGM October 25, 2005

The 2006 Cruise Needs You

Volunteers are needed for the S.S. Benefit Cruise NAIT Cruise to India on Saturday, February 25, 2006. This annual NAIT corporate fundraiser needs individuals for a range of duties. If you would like to help, please call the Development Office at (780) 471-8800. Your cooperation and support are greatly appreciated.

Your name:				
Year and month of retirement: Area while at NAIT:				
Your home/mailing address:				
Postal Code: Phone:				
Name of relatives/children who have graduated from NAIT (include graduation year and program):				
Anything you'd like to tell us about what's new with you?				
I am interested in the following volunteer opportunities (please check areas of interest):				
ARNS Alumni Relations Foundation Athletics Registrar				
Bookstore Information Services Other (please specify):				
Mail to: Alumni Relations Office, c/o NAIT, 11762-106 St., Edmonton, AB, T5G 2R1 or call (780) 471-8859				
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