From The President

As president of the SSHS Alumni I would like to congratulate and thank Mike Dionne and the Class of 1958 for their donation of $1000.00 which will go into our Alumni Fund at Fundy Community Foundation. This money was raised and donated in Memory of the Deceased Classmates of the Class of 1958 and will help our scholarship fund for future graduates at SSHS.

When asked how this money was raised, Mike advised any way we could. Five dollars was added to the price of the Dinner and Dance, and they had a 50/50 draw, a Silent Auction and finally Classmates just contributed cash.

What a great idea! It is my hope that other Classes will follow the lead of the Class of “58.”

Thanks Again
Floyd Haley
President SSHS Alumni

More Things That You Just Have To Do When You Come Home

When my family come home from CT, CA, and FL their first stops at Pat’s Dairy Bar for hotdogs. In 1998 they said that they had eaten 19 in one weekend.

On The Rails

On May 1 Flo and I flew to Toronto, and the next morning we boarded the VIA Rail train on our way to Vancouver. Passing through Northern Ontario we thought of Ed Sheehan but realized that his home area of Schriber was a bit south of where we were. Late afternoon saw us in Winnipeg. Here we were met by our friend Don Hunnie. During our three days in Winnipeg we walked a lot and saw various parts of the city. We were also able to pay our respects to Karin, Don’s wife who had died of cancer in late December. The day before we left we were able to talk with Nancy (Mitchell) Dumas who lived outside the city.

Leaving Winnipeg on May 7 we were exposed to the vast Saskatchewan Prairies. Spring plowing was underway and farm machinery dotted the landscape. Thursday the 8th we stopped for a short time in Edmonton. We tried a couple of phone numbers but no contact.

The stop in Jasper was longer and we walked around as the train was serviced, a pretty town and busy with tourists. Along the last leg to Vancouver we were thrilled by the mountains, rivers, Fraser Valley and wildlife. The train was four hours late arriving in Vancouver and because of this we had daylight to see the area. The dome cars were great to watch the passing scenery.

Catching the bus to Victoria was our next task and we got it quickly. The ferry trip was in sunny weather and we knew our friends Horst and Edith Rothfels (Horst was a McGill classmate who had retired to Victoria) were to meet us at the bus depot. We spent till May 14th visiting. The city is beautiful we went to The Buchart Gardens,
University of Victoria Gardens and everywhere the flowers were a riot of color.

The native totems reminded us of the work of Emily Carr. They told a story of the past.

We took many walks, had tea and met with Flo’s niece and nephew, a very relaxed and pleasant time. Horst is going to be 91 in a couple of months and still skis Whistler.

A wonderful trip seeing much of our beautiful country. We would have loved to have been able to see more former students etc.

Duncan McGeachy ‘44

We decided last year that the 100th anniversary of the UNB Faculty of Forestry would be a good reason to drive home, but the heat just about did us in. We left June 18 and thankfully missed the floods on the Mississippi, but when we got home the humidity just sucked the life out of us.

We spent three days at home in St. Stephen, then the weekend of July 4-5-6 in Fredericton, then on to my husband’s home of Chandler QC, and then started the long journey home arriving July 19.

Elizabeth (Smythe) Hunt ‘84

The SSHS Class of ’44 held their 64th reunion at Duncan MacGeachy’s home on August 10 when five class members answered roll call. Those present were: Ruth (Black) Alexander, Vincent Clark, Georgia (MacCready) Roberts, Duncan McGeachy, and Sarah (Russell) Davis. Three honourary members were also present: Lois Cleghorn, Bunny (Everett) Campbell, and Flo McGeachy.

Our first reunion after graduation was in 1974, our 30th. We had such a wonderful time we decided to meet again the next year. It was mostly locals and those living quite near or ones who were home for holidays who attended but we had started something and decided to continue having mini reunions. We made a greater effort in having larger ones every five years.

We have taken turns hosting the reunions at classmates’ homes or cottages and always work them in around the time of the International Festival and Chocolate Fest.

Next year will be the 65th anniversary of our graduation and we are planning on having a special time. Attempts are being made to encourage members who have never come to any reunions to make an effort to attend this one.
In Memoriam

Lt. Col. (Ret) Norman Bruce Buchanan
1915-2008
At the Charlotte County Hospital, St. Stephen, NB, June 27, 2008, Norman B. Buchanan of St. Stephen, NB. Born at St. Stephen, NB 1915. Norman was a Veteran of World War II, serving from 1939-1945 and awarded the Military Cross with two Bars.

Doris Isabelle MacLeod ’42
Peacefully at home, in St. Stephen, N.B., on June 23, 2008, Doris Isabelle MacLeod. Doris was born in St. Stephen, N.B., the daughter of the late Gladys (Hieatt) and Kenneth Dinsmore.

Lois Jean (Dougherty) McIntee ’47
At the Saint John Regional Hospital, July 25, 2008, Lois Jean McIntee of St. Stephen, NB.

Barbara (Clarke) McAlpine ’50
Barbara “Clarke” McAlpine died August 9, 2008

NORMAN ROBERT EASTMAN ’48
A Beaverbrook Scholar from St. Stephen, Norm Eastman died in California on Nov. 2, 2007. At Mount A he played varsity hockey and served as Student Union President. He left Mount A in ’52 with a BFA and a further Beaverbrook Scholarship to study in London. In London he continued his studies, played hockey with Oxford University, painted book covers, and created storyboards for films and television. For five decades he was a prolific illustrator and artist in Toronto, New York, and California. Norm produced hundreds of cover art paintings for major publishers and upon retiring continued to paint and exhibit his work.

Elva M. Trafton ’53
Elva (Lindsay) Trafton of Somerville MA passed away on June 11, 2008 at the Melrose Hospital, after a very lengthy illness.

In Memoriam

Sidney Alfred Mitchell ’66
Sidney Alfred Mitchell age 60 at the Charlotte County Hospital, St. Stephen, N.B. August 3, 2008. of Valley Road, Charlotte County N.B. born in St. Stephen May 5, 1948.

Bryan Reginald Boyd ’74
1955-2008

Born September 19, 1955 in Moncton, NB, son of Garnet A. Boyd (deceased) and Diana Boyd, he grew up in St. Stephen, NB, graduating from St. Stephen High School in 1974. He lived most of his working life in Vancouver, BC. A strong love of cooking led him to become a chef in several Vancouver restaurants before starting his own catering business.

KUCEROVSKY, (WOODSIDE) PATRICIA ANN ‘82
The death of Patricia Ann (Woodside) Kucerovsky, passed away on August 19, 2008 after a long illness at the age of 43 years. Interment took place in the Fredericton Rural Cemetery.

John Colwan McAllister ’85
1966 - 2008
McALLISTER-at Charlotte County Hospital, St. Stephen, NB, September 9, 2008, John Colwan McAllister, of St. Stephen, NB.

I hold it true, whate’er befall;
I feel it when I sorrow most;
’Tis better to have loved and lost
Than never to have loved at all.”
During International Festival Week, some of the members of the Class of ’45 met at a restaurant in St. Stephen. Following the meal, we went to the Cameron’s cottage at Oak Bay for an evening of fellowship.

Those able to attend were Charlotte (Stewart) Gowan, Mildred (Pierce) Linton, Louise (Russell) Corning, Mary (Sinclair) Gibson, Marvin and Vi-ona Weatherby and Donna (Crompton) and Ken Cameron.

We have been getting together annually since our 60th reunion and we have agreed that we will continue to do so again in 2009. We invite all members of our class to join us. Just phone Charlotte (466 1618) or Mildred (466 1230) for the date, time and place.

Donna Cameron

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Together Again in 2010

That will be the slogan for the General Reunion that we are planning for 2010. The dates are July 30, July 31 and August 1, 2010, so make your vacation plans now and plan on attending.

The Alumni Association has started forming committees and we need your help. We need classmates to serve on these committees so if you have the time and the desire please phone President Haley or any other association member.

The mini reunions we hold in the summer continue to grow, and are enjoyed by all who are in the area. You can see some pictures of the 2008 one at: http://picasaweb.google.com/downeys1/SSHSMeetGreetAugust2008?authkey=xr01hl6VEuQ#

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