

ARNS President's Message

I'm not sure about all of you, but it seems to me that as I get a little older time seems to fly a little faster. Perhaps it's just my imagination!



ARNS 2005/2006 Executive (Standing l to r) Kim Haq, Frank Boodram. (Seated l to r) Chris Hardy, Shirley Kabachia, Bob Morgan, Jerry Dubyk. Missing: Jean Lang

It wasn't all that long ago that I wrote a message to the membership in the spring issue.

The summer was good for our family even though it came and went so

quickly. I truly hope that you all had an enjoyable spring and summer season. My wife and I managed some golfing and spent some time in our RV touring Saskatchewan. I have heard some stories of members who did some neat things during the summer months and welcome anyone with a story to tell to contact Kym Haq as we will consider using it upcoming newsletters.

I look forward to the upcoming year and hope that we are able to enjoy yet another dinner at Ernest's in the fall. More information is posted in the newsletter.

We will be looking for a new treasurer this year as Jean Lang's post comes up for renewal. Please consider joining the executive of ARNS and put your name forward to Chris Hardy before the meeting.

Have a wonderful fall and winter season.

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Tell us your story!

ARNS Notes is looking for story ideas and articles for upcoming issues. Have you received an award or recognition, involved in a new venture or adventure, any exciting, exotic or unusual travels to share. Contact Kym Haq at (780) 424-2914 or by email at kalimhaq@hotmail.com.

We want to hear from you.

From the Corner Office

What better way to begin a new academic year than with a party?

On September 7 we held the grand opening of the NAIT Waiward Centre for Steel Technologies at Souch Campus. Friends from business, industry and government were on hand to help cut the steel ribbon and tour the fantastic new facility that will increase our capacity for steel trades training by 60 per cent.

And in August, we celebrated a \$7.6 million investment by Shell Canada, Western Economic Diversification Canada, and the Government of Alberta in support of the NAIT Shell Manufacturing Centre. When it opens in March 2007, the Centre will provide manufacturers with a one-stop

shop to receive services and training on leading-edge technology.

It's all part of our \$750-million campus expansion plan announced in May, which will increase access to skills training by nearly 50 per cent and take us into the next decade. In support of this expansion, we are now two-thirds of the way toward our \$50-million Building on Demand campaign goal, with a campaign total over \$34 million.

Construction is well underway on the Spartan Centre for Instrumentation Technology and the Centre for Millwright Technology on Main Campus. Both are less than a year from their August 2007 opening dates. Plans are

also underway to open our new Centre for Power Engineering soon.

We are proud to be taking a leadership role with solutions that address the country's critical shortage of skilled workers.

Thanks to all in the ARNS community whose ongoing support and volunteer efforts contribute to the success of these and many NAIT initiatives. Stay tuned for more details.

Sincerely,



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Recent Retirees

John Beesley, Instructor Mechanical Engineering – 35 years of service
Tony Bishop, Instructor Marketing – 10 years of service
Wilfred Bruce, Instructor Machinist – 25 years of service
Ronald Campbell, Instructor Fairview – Electrician Program – 24 years of service
Marvin Clark, Instructor Biological Sciences – 35 years of service
James Danielson, Instructor Apprentice ILM Development – 16 years of service
Nettie Denesiuk, Service Worker Food Services Main Campus – 29 years of service
Joan Endres, Ed Lab Technologist Chemical Technology – 16 years of service
Robert Hammel, Technician Radio and Television Arts– 21 years of service
Elizabeth Lam, Lab Technician Biological Sciences – 31 years of service
Gil Lefebvre, Instructor Welder Program– 11 years of service
Sharron Lewis, Program Coordinator Basic Banking & Business – 19 years of service
Audrey MacGregor, Publications Assistant External Relations – 28 years of service
Brenton Marshall, Instructor Welder Program – 31 years of service
Edwin Moline, Instructor Architectural Technology – 25 years of service
Ozzie Olander, Instructor Sheet Metal Worker – 25 years of service
Edward Raypold, Instructor Chemical Technology – 35 years of service
Yolanda Robinson, Caretaker Custodial Services – 3 years of service
Ron Sandalack, Instructor Engineering Design & Drafting – 27 years of service
Buff Smith, Coordinator Peace River Campus – 24 years of service
Gordon Smith, Instructor Marketing – 18 years of service
Gerald Woolnough, Instructor Instrumentation Engineering – 30 years of service

Volunteer Opportunities

NAIT Health and Safety is looking for an individual to assist with updating their pamphlet display. This volunteer must have computer skills in order to research various web sites. Other responsibilities include ordering, arranging and maintaining the display case.

For more information, please contact Linda Vickery or Laurie Schweitzer at (780) 471-8733.

The 2007 Cruise Needs You

Volunteers are needed for the S.S. Benefit Cruise NAIT Cruise to United Arab Emirates on Saturday, March 3, 2007. This annual NAIT corporate fundraiser needs individuals for duties ranging from setting up the event to monitoring the silent auction.

If you would like to help, please call the Development Office at (780) 471-8800. Your cooperation and support are greatly appreciated.

NAIT Open House October 13 & 14, 2006

Open House 2006 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 Lesley Moore in the Alumni Office at (780) 471-8539.

In Memoriam

Ron Hostyn retired staff member since 1996 passed away March 28, 2006 at the age of 74 years.

John Miller retired staff member since 2000 passed away May 24, 2006.

Jose Chaves retired staff member since 1991 passed away July 10, 2006 at the age of 79 years.

Darren Melan retired staff member since 1991 passed away May 14, 2006.

Fay Cavalli retired staff member since 1995 passed away October 12, 2005.

NAIT's 2006 United Way Campaign!

NAIT is a proud supporter of our community through 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. This means you can give to any registered charity – in the world or in your community, the choice is yours.

The United Way has confirmed that all new leadership donations over \$1,000 will be matched by an anonymous donor!

I encourage you to go to the website <http://www.nait.ca/unitedway> to find out more or to follow the campaign. If you have any questions about the campaign or would like to volunteer for any events, please call Trish at 471-8608.

I look forward to seeing you on campus and thank you for your continued support.

Rhonda Betker,
Committee Chair

What's new with you...

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

Annual 'Fall' Banquet

Fun & Fellowship - Special Guests - Special Recognitions

Spouse or companions welcome!

**Tuesday, November 7, 2006
Ernest's Fine Dining**

Evening will include

Banquet Dinner
Annual General Meeting
Election of Officers
Special Guests
Special Recognition

Program

6:00 p.m. No Host Bar
7:00 p.m. Dinner
7:45 p.m. Business Meeting

Parking

Lot "D" Visitors (South of Parkade)

Price

\$25.00 per person - (cheques payable to ARNS)

Deadline for reservations October 31, 2006 in order to finalize attendance numbers with Food
Services

Dining room capacity is only 90 so don't be disappointed

RSVP to Jerry Dubyk at (780) 922-2943