

**NBSRT SAINT JOHN BRANCH
FALL LUNCHEON AND MEETING
October 20th, 2011**

The fall luncheon and meeting were held at the Hatheway (Lily Lake) Pavilion at noon, with 98 in attendance. President Marg Urquhart called the meeting to order and welcomed members. George Little led O Canada and Linda Perrin offered Grace. A luncheon of either salmon or chicken was served.

Guest Speaker: Barry Harbinson introduced Jacqueline Hamilton, Deputy Commissioner of Planning for the City of Saint John. She recognized Barry's efforts to put youth interests in the forefront of planning. She noted that the first master plan was in 1946 and was entitled "Anticipating a Post-War Boom". A later plan in 1973 projected industrial development that would raise the population to 1/4 million. In 1951 there were 73,000 people in 36 square km; in 2010 it was 69,000 in 316 square km, requiring more roads to maintain. One aim of Plan SJ is to create a sustainable and compact city accessible by the transit system. Gerry Mabey thanked the speaker.

50/50 Draw: Linda Pye won \$80.

In Memoriam: Carol Harris named ten members deceased since our last meeting in May: Marion Isobel Belding, Edith G. Stewart, Elizabeth A. Forest, James Arthur Mugridge, Shirley Frances Brown, George Wesley Murray O'Blenis, Helen P. Miller, Linda Estabrooks, Frances Taylor, and Ruth Clark Drummond. A moment of silence was observed.

President's Remarks: Marg Urquhart noted that there are sign-up sheets for activities: card party, computer workshop (digital photos), Canada Pension information session; other suggestions are welcome. Information about the Branch and its activities is on the web site: www.nbsrtsi.net.ca A contact list and calendar of events is on the tables.

Approval of Agenda was moved by George Little and seconded by Mary Ellen Maillet; motion carried.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of May 19th, 2011 were approved on a motion of Judy Bramar (sp?), seconded by Lorna Taylor.

Finances: Treasurer Larry McPhee reported that we have \$7956 in our current account, \$2040 in the Credit Union, and \$5037 GIC. He presented a budget for 2011-12 showing total revenues of \$6950.33, total expenses of \$5500, and a surplus of \$1450.33. Moved by Larry and seconded by Brian Bawn that the financial report and budget be accepted; motion carried.

Director's Report: A written report was circulated on the tables and is attached. Linda Perrin noted that Barry Harbinson is chairing the new Pension Committee. Several cautions re insurance: ask for a new card if printing is worn off; phone the insurers (number on card) if expenses during travel exceed \$200; beware of pre-existing health conditions.

Door Prizes: Tickets were drawn for seven prizes; Barrie Rigby coordinated the draws.

Committee Reports: Reports from the Group Insurance / Wellness Committee and Membership were circulated on the tables and are attached. Moved by Debra O'Brien and seconded by Sue Smith that these reports be accepted; motion carried.

Business from the Floor: Marg Urquhart reminded members to leave their name tags and to sign up for events. She noted that shuttle service is available to the upper parking lot.

Adjournment at 1:40 moved by Robert Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Taylor, Secretary.