

## **New Brunswick Society of Retired Teachers Saint John Branch**

*“About the time we can make the ends meet, somebody moves the ends.”*

It has been my privilege to serve as your president for the past two years. Together we have experienced dismay and disbelief that a government can be so cavalier with its ethical and legal duties. Although we lost a battle (and they lost an election) one must remain hopeful that some of the “concessions” dictated will ensure a pension fund capable of fulfilling its fiscal mandate.

Despite this situation however, our committees have endeavored to provide you with information sessions and social activities to make your retirement special. The membership of NBSRT SJ should be very grateful to a dedicated group of retirees who work tirelessly on your behalf. Whether it be Social, Wellness, Website, Publicity or any of our other committees, the volunteers contribute numerous hours ensuring activities are planned and executed for you. Margaret Urquhart, in particular, should be singled out as an individual who has made extensive contributions at both the local and provincial level. To Margaret, and all the other committee members who have performed yeoman service on your behalf, thank you. Your generosity with time is noted and appreciated, especially those who are leaving their positions.

As I am sure you have noticed, we are striving to create sessions that impact your fiscal, medical and social well-being. Hopefully you have enjoyed and learned from some of these sessions and will continue to support the local committee as we create new gatherings for your edification.

Many thanks for your support for the NBSRT SJ over the past years, and especially the past two years while I have been your President. Enjoy a wonderful summer that will shrink the memory of our past season to a distant and fond memory.

Barry Harbinson

President

NBSRT SJ

*“The scientific theory I like best is that the rings of Saturn are composed entirely of lost airline luggage.”*