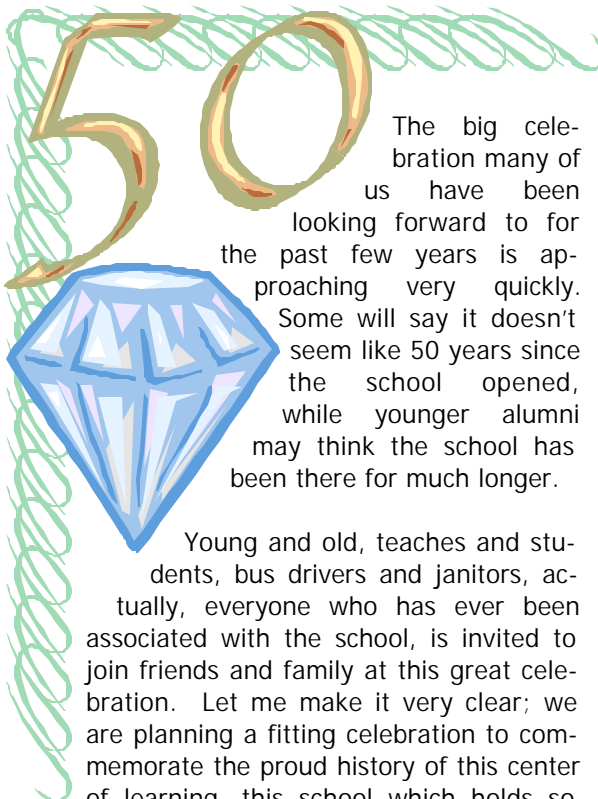


East Pictou Rural High Educational Foundation Alumni Newsletter Spring 2003



Notes from Don Butler, Chairperson of the 50th Anniversary Committee Celebrations - July 25, 26 and 27, 2003



The big celebration many of us have been looking forward to for the past few years is approaching very quickly. Some will say it doesn't seem like 50 years since the school opened, while younger alumni may think the school has been there for much longer.

Young and old, teaches and students, bus drivers and janitors, actually, everyone who has ever been associated with the school, is invited to join friends and family at this great celebration. Let me make it very clear; we are planning a fitting celebration to commemorate the proud history of this center of learning, this school which holds so many great memories for each of us.

Let me entice you by sharing just some of the highlights which are being planned. A group of former teachers are contacting everyone who taught at the school over the past fifty years. They plan to have many of them on hand Saturday afternoon to greet you in their particular hospitality area. Memorabilia such as year-books and pictures will be on display and a power point presentation will be featured.

A photographer will be on hand again Saturday

afternoon to take photos of individuals, groups, families, classes, teams, etc. You merely register at a particular station, go to the designated area which will have a fantastic backdrop, have your photo taken for a fixed fee, thus capturing an exciting moment for life.

Tours of the school will be offered, children's games played, ongoing sporting events, a parade where every community serviced by the school will be featured; good food and a great atmosphere throughout the entire weekend are promised.

We actually have so many activities planned, several of the sporting alumni events will take place the weekend of July 19th. Vince Walsh, class of '69, has been commissioned to do a large three-foot by five-foot painting of the school. It will capture the fifty-year history of the institution. Prints of this painting will be on sale at a very reasonable price. As well, many other souvenirs of the school will be on sale such as pens, t-shirts, caps, calendars, history and golf shirts.

Check the attached program for more details. We want to encourage you to pre-register using the affixed registration form. There is a financial incentive to do so; plus it will help the organizing committees in determining numbers of people for whom to prepare.

This promises to be the event of the summer in Pictou East. Help us to spread the word to family and friends. Make your plans early so that you will not be disappointed. We are going to have a truly wonderful time!!

Highlights from Arlene MacGregor, Chairperson, EPRH Educational Foundation

Dear EPRH Alumni:

The 50th year is finally upon us. The first week of school our year of celebrations was initiated. At that time the current Students' Council president and the vice-president of the first Council raised the school flag. Good media coverage let the whole county know East Pictou is in for a year of activities. The Educational Foundation is currently working on plans and seeking involvement from alumni for ideas and to assist on various committees.

Once again this past summer the Foundation hosted a fun-filled homecoming weekend. As of this summer every class, from the first forty years, has had a reunion. Many have experienced the thrill of seeing classmates for the first time since graduating. We are hoping that everyone will show up for the 50th celebrations.

The Foundation is currently selling calendars to mark the big year. You can imagine the agony of trying to pick pictures to represent the decades and various activities at East Pictou. This calendar is a great keepsake of EPRH, especially for those no longer living in the county. They

are on sale in the county at a cost of \$5.00. For those of you living away, contact Heather Warner, hwarner@ns.sympatico.ca to place your order. Also, if you have an e-mail address, would you please send it to Heather at the above address.

It has been brought to our attention that we have a family of four generations who have graduated from East Pictou. Anyone care to attempt to name the family?

The Educational Foundation has a web site which is: <http://eprhedfoundation.tripod.com>. A former student, Chris Anderson, Class of '99, has set this web site up and will maintain it. There is a guest book so take a minute to sign it and to check it out to see where everyone is living. The web site will also contain the latest information on our plans for the 50th Anniversary Celebrations. We welcome any comments.

We look forward to celebrating with as many of you as possible over the next year. Be sure to mark the last weekend in July as the biggest event of the East Pictou year.



Cap	\$ 12.00
2003 Calendar	\$ 5.00
Pen	\$ 5.00
T-Shirt (S,M,L,XL,XXL)	\$ 10.00
Golf Shirt (S,M,L,XL, XXL).....	\$ 30.00
Wind Jacket (S,M,L,XL)	\$ 60.00
Wine (6 oz.) (White or Red)	\$ 6.00
Wine (1 litre) (White or Red)	\$ 12.00
History Book (Complete 50 yrs.)	\$ 7.00
History Book (Last 10 yrs.).....	\$ 4.00
Print (8" x 10") - EPRH School	\$ 5.00

(Painting by Vince Walsh, Class of '69)

EPRH Educational Foundation Annual Golf Scramble

The East Pictou Rural High Educational Foundation will be holding its second annual Golf Scramble on Saturday, July 26, 2003, as part of the 50 year East Pictou anniversary celebrations at the Glen Lovat Golf course on Fraser's Mountain.

Last year we had a great day and were able to raise over \$3,000. This year we anticipate filling the golf course with teams of four for a fun-filled day of food, prizes and golf. All teams are welcome, but it is on a first come, first serve basis, so you should get your team together soon so you don't miss out.

Each team entry fee will be \$350, which includes a full

meal, refreshment ticket and other giveaways. Teams of four will receive sponsor sheets to raise their entry fee through donations; this ensures each team has a great opportunity to raise even more money for the Foundation. Last year, there were a number of teams able to give more than \$ 100 over and above the entry fee, most notably, KLJ Computer Solutions. Prizes will be given for teams who raise the most money.

Teams can register or pick up their sponsor sheets at the school office. Teams can also call Trent MacDonald at (902) 928-0392 or e-mail: trentmacdonald@ns.alianzinc.ca to register or ask questions.

Remember, the proceeds from this event go to the East Pictou Rural High Educational Foundation to benefit the students of the East Pictou area for years to come, so get involved. See you on the course!!

Sports Events

Former students are encouraged to participate in a wide variety of alumni sports tournaments scheduled as part of the 50th anniversary celebrations. Please help us in promoting these events to all who may be interested. Help spread the word, don't wait to be called. Alumni sporting events will take place from July 19th to the 26th. Never too late to register!!!! Please contact any of the following:

Sport	Contact Person(s)	Competition Date	Registration Date
Hockey	Bob Kennaley 923-2232	July 18th & 19th	June 1st
Girls Volleyball	Neil MacKinnon 926-2310	July 19th	June 1st
Boys Volleyball	Harold Williams 922-2455	July 23rd (tentative)	June 1st
Girls Soccer	Stephanie Rae 752-3097 stephanie@hotmail.com	July 26th	June 1st
Boys Rugby	Roy MacDonald 926-2800 Bob Rogers 752-6213 rrogers@auracom.com	July 26th	June 1st
Basketball	Women 35 & Over Judy Murray 923-2397	July 24th 6:30 pm	June 1st
	Women Under 35 Richard Todd 752-6618 grtodd25@hotmail Melissa Marshall 860-1782 melmarshall@accesswave.ca	July 26th 1:00 pm	June 1st
	Men 35 & Over Danny Walsh 396-2912	July 24th 8:00 pm	June 1st
	Men Under 35 Rob MacGregor 923-2912 macgregorrobby@hotmail.com	July 26th 3:00 pm	June 1st

All Sports events will be held at East Pictou with the exception of hockey which will take place at the Hector Arena, Pictou.



50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS - EPRH

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 25th:

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| 6:00 p.m. | Registration desk opens at EPRH |
| 7:30 - 10:00 p.m. | Wine & Cheese Reception, school gym
Sale of souvenirs |
| 8:30 p.m. | Official Opening |

Saturday, July 26th:

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| 7:30 a.m. | Golf Scramble registration, Glen Lovat Golf Course, Fraser's Mountain |
| 8:00 a.m. | Golf Scramble Tee-Off |
| 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. | Activities on school grounds which will include the following:
P Tours of the school
P Group photo opportunities
P Teachers' reception
P Hospitality area
P Food concessions
P Parade with representation from every community served by the school
P Sports games
P Children's games
P Sale of souvenirs |
| 9:30 - 1:30 a.m. | Dance at Ivor MacDonald Memorial Rink, Thorburn
Music by: Automatics & Double Country
<i>Government ID's Upon Request</i> |

Sunday, July 27th:

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| 11:00 a.m. | Church Service, main playing field |
| 12:00 p.m. | Barbecue and serving of Anniversary Cake
Variety Concert featuring EPRH talent |

EPRH 50th Anniversary Homecoming Registration Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone #: _____ E-mail address: _____

Please check the sections/items you wish to purchase.

			# Attending	Total Cost
Wine & Cheese Reception	Single	\$ 5.00	_____	_____
	Couple	\$10.00	_____	_____
Double Band Dance	Single	\$10.00	_____	_____
	Couple	\$18.00	_____	_____
Barbecue	Single	\$10.00	_____	_____

Package Deals are also available which includes all of the above:

Single package deal	\$ 20.00	_____	_____
Couple package deal	\$ 40.00	_____	_____

Other items ordered (*Please list with sizes, quantities and cost*)

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To pre-register your registration form must be received by July 11th

Tickets and items ordered will be packaged and you may pick them up at the registration desk on Friday, July 25th or Saturday, July 26th .

Mail this form to:

Don Butler, R.R. #1, Merigomish, Pictou Co., NS B0K 1G0 Phone: (902) 926-2589
OR