



APRIL 1993

Message from the President

This past winter is one that will long be remembered for the numerous snow storms that consistently occurred on the weekends. However, spring has finally arrived and our thoughts turn towards the enjoyment of the many activities that we have planned for the warmer and sunny days of summer.

The 1993 year will be significant in various ways, beginning with S.T.O./E.R.O. which will be celebrating its 25th year of operation. Its first official meeting was held on March 14 and 15 in 1968. A special committee has been established at the provincial level and details marking the 25th Anniversary will be published in the S.T.O. Spring Newsletter. We owe an immense debt of gratitude to our Provincial S.T.O. colleagues who for many years have worked faithfully on our behalf to maintain and improve conditions with regard to such items as pensions, health plans, travel, investment and communications.

➤ Also, 1993 marks the 20th Anniversary year of District 16 (Retired Teachers of Toronto). The first District 16 meeting was held on October 10, 1973. Our membership totalled 540 and the annual fee was \$2.00. There was no Newsletter, but members were informed by letter. Note that our present membership fee is only \$5.00.

These are the names of District 16's Presidents who have served on our organization since its formation.

Presidents of S.T.O. District 16

1973-1974 Murdoch McIvor
1974-1975 Alan Sweetman
1975-1976 Archie Milloy
1976-1977 Harold Whitely
1977-1978 Dr. Harry Barrett
1978-1979 Laura Schissler
1979-1980 Cecil Longmuir
1980-1981 Walter Reed
1981-1982 Mary Moore
1982-1983 Sidney Coles

1983-1984 Harold Dean
1984-1985 Mary Thomas
1985-1986 Al Robb
1986-1987 Margaret Smith
1987-1988 Mitchell Lennox
1988-1989 Bernice McGinn
1989-1990 George Hayes
1990-1991 Charlotte Hardie
1991-1992 Ruth Lindsay

I am now looking forward to the **Annual District 16 Luncheon** on **May 5th** at the **Royal York Hotel**. Hope to see you all there.

Dennis Fiedler

SESQUICENTENNIAL MUSEUM

Did you know that in honour of Toronto's Sesquicentennial (1984), the Board Room of the 1917 Old Administration Building for the Toronto Board of Education was restored as an educational museum? A room has been set aside as a reading room for the Archives, which also contains a permanent display area for items from the Board's collections.

The following are examples of items that are on display or are available at the Museum:

- ***** A Fine Art Collection of late 19th and 20th Century Canadian Art
- ***** Catalogues of pictures, arranged by school name
- ***** Museum displays of trophies, crests, medals and supplies from the schools of yesterday and today
- ***** The official records and manuscripts of the Toronto Board and press clippings
- ***** An Audio-Visual Collection which includes videos of school reunions, plus audio tapes from our growing oral history

The Museum's hours are from 12:00 until 3:00 p.m., Monday to Friday (September to May), and from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (June to August). The Museum is located in the Old Education Centre, just behind the present Board building at 155 College Street. Entrance is from McCaul Street. Admission is free. For further information call 397-3680.

TELEPHONE CALLERS OF THE GOODWILL COMMITTEE

Due to the efforts of the volunteer telephone callers many members of S.T.O. District 16 are kept in closer contact by phone. Thanks to those who make the calls. Your efforts are much appreciated. Any other members wishing to be a part of the Telephone Committee may do so by contacting Gerry Aberle at 699-4422.

H.E.L.P. (HUNT FOR ELIGIBLE PENSIONERS) PROJECT

Approximately 8000 inactive members age 65 and over and 80,000 inactive members under 65 are entitled either to a refund or a pension.

If you know anyone who once taught and did not claim a refund or apply for a pension, contact your local S.T.O.

A REMINDER FOR MAY LUNCHEON

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1993
ROYAL YORK HOTEL
LUNCHEON: 12:30 P.M.
(See enclosed reservation form)**

Our speaker will be the **Reverend Robert L. Rumball, B.A., B.D., D.D., L.L.D.**

Bob Rumball is a man of many parts.....husband, father, grandfather, scholar, athlete, theologian, pioneer, advocate and friend. Yet through all he is, first and foremost, a warm, caring, loving human being.

Many of us can identify with the parent, grandparent role and know the joy of loving and being loved by spouse, children and grandchildren. Most of us are familiar with the sense of achievement that accompanies scholastic success. Some can identify with the excitement and challenge of the sports field.

Bob Rumball, in addition to the foregoing, can reflect on almost forty years of trail-blazing pioneering in the field of service to the international hearing-impaired community. Beginning as Pastor of the Evangelical Church of the Deaf, he has spearheaded the development of services that touch every aspect of their lives from day care centres to seniors' residences; from one Church to many in Ontario, other provinces and the Caribbean; the evolution of a network of Camps, Foster Homes, Youth Residences; Recreation Centres for hearing-impaired seniors and Vocational Training Centres. Moreover, he is on-call round the clock as an advocate for hearing-impaired people who find themselves in court and he serves as Chaplin for Metro Police.

To be sure, Bob has been recognized for his efforts over the years from the Canadian Association of the Deaf, the Government of Canada, the International Lions Club, the Rotary Club, the City of Toronto, the Canadian Progress Club, the Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto and the Canadian Football League, but through it all he remains warm, loving and caring.

LOG CABIN QUILT

Made by the Needlework Group. Proceeds to the Hospital for Sick Children. Draw to be made at the S.T.O. District 16 Luncheon, May 5th, 1993. Tickets are \$1.00 each and may be purchased from Anne Fraser at 224-1482.



INTO
SUMMER
WITH

THE TORONTO CHORISTERS
(Retired employees of the Toronto Board of Education)

Jim Maben, Conductor
Marg Deeth, Accompanist

DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1993

TIME: 8:00 P.M.

LOCATION: BROCKTON H.S. AUDITORIUM
(90 Croatia St.)

Light refreshments

Tickets \$5.00. Available from Choir Members
A Toronto Board of Education Continuing Education Program

For tickets please contact any of the following:

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| North York | - | Dennis Fiedler | - | 229-6124 |
| East York and Leaside | - | Art Bussy | - | 487-9271 |
| Toronto | - | Ron Wright | - | 694-1963 |
| | | Wilson Brooks | - | 769-5164 |
| | | Chris Gaye | - | 924-7608 |
| Scarborough | - | Daphny Stewart | - | 284-2647 |
| | | Ralph Hart | - | 755-6114 |
| Pickering | - | Mary Millard | - | 431-3341 |

**S.T.O. DISTRICT 16 - SPECIAL S.T.O. 25th ANNIVERSARY LUNCHEON AND
WELCOME FOR NEW RETIREES**

Date: Thursday, October 28, 1993

Place: Holiday Inn Downtown

Time: 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Keep this date open and watch for further details in future Newsletters.

IN MEMORIAM

**Ford Wilson (Bud) Auburn
Mary Binseld
Ian Brotherton
John Stuart Gemmill
Frances Grace**

**Sister Frances Marie Keller
* David Arthur McAdam
Mary Sheehan
Arthur Slater**

The Editor regrets the misspelling of Mr. W. Bailey's name in the last Newsletter.

* We will remember Mr. McAdam as Founder and President of Provincial S.T.O., and instrumental in indexing the pension.