

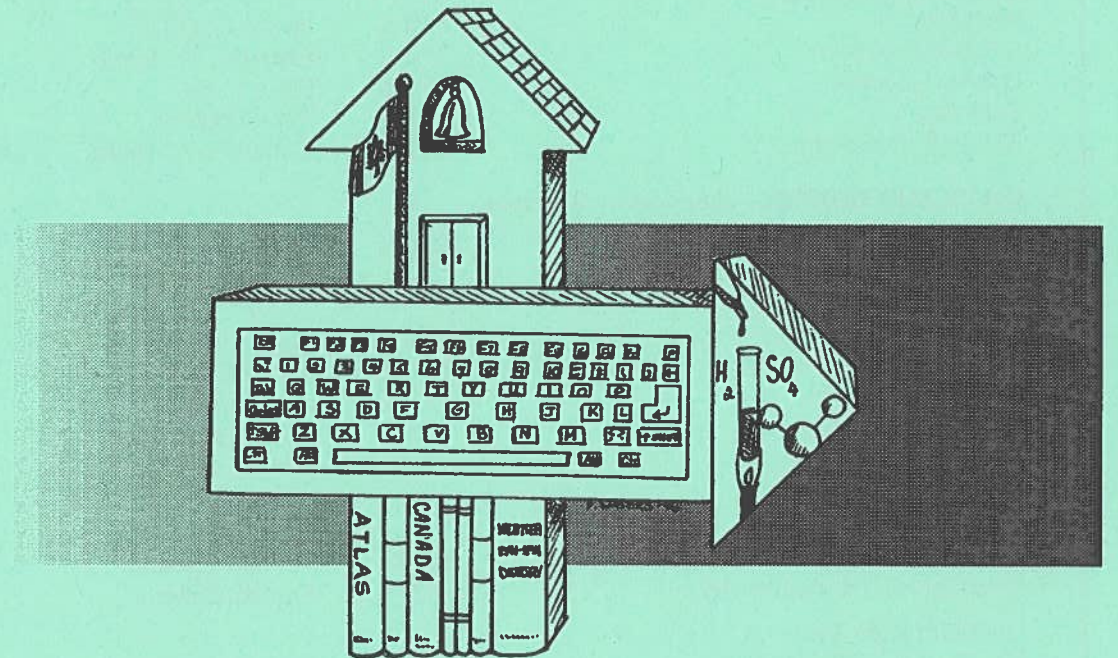
Quebec Federation of Home & School Associations



52nd Annual Convention

THEME:

NEW DIRECTIONS IN EDUCATION



on:

MAY 3-4, 1996

Being held at:

Royal Montreal Golf Club
25 South Ridge, Ile Bizard, Quebec

1995/96 MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

(based on number of *families*)

ON ISLAND BOARDS – Elementary Schools		Membership Chairmen
Royal Vale	100.0%	Pam Wener
Beacon Hill	89.6%	Tina Storer
Merton	80.0%	Kathleen Fauteux and Paula Kimel-Cohen
<u>Honourable Mention</u>		
Westpark	73.4%	Jo-Ann Light
E.P. Beaconsfield	71.0%	Hanneke de Jonge
Dunrae Gardens	68.6%	Flora Lopes
Seigniory	66.5%	Pam Godfrey
Elizabeth Ballantyne	65.8%	Catherine Maxham
ON ISLAND BOARDS – Secondary Schools		
Royal West Academy	58.0%	Gaby Morency and Carol Stenhouse
<u>Honourable Mention</u>		
Macdonald High	20.9%	Susan Tweddell
Hudson High	19.1%	Hanna Daca
Beaconsfield High	18.7%	Judy Serve
Lindsay Place High	16.1%	Mary Yadgard and Raina Carolla
OFF ISLAND BOARDS		
Baie Comeau Elementary/High	61.5%	Pamela Lalonde
New Carlisle Elementary/High	36.6%	Brenda Gallan
<u>Honourable Mention</u>		
Shigawake-Port Daniel	23.7%	Barbara Hottot
SPECIAL DRAW FOR SCHOOL STAFF/TEACHERS		
Mark Franklin, teacher at New Carlisle		Brenda Gallan

1995/96 NEWSLETTER AWARDS

Aylmer - Arrow	Editor
Beacon Hill - School Scoops	Danielle Lanyi
	Maggie Tietjen

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DECORATED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS!

This year the Quebec Federation of Home & School Associations decided to decorate all of the executives with green and yellow hand-made flowers crocheted by the mother of Barbara Page.

The colours chosen match the theme being used at this year's Annual General Meeting - NEW DIRECTIONS IN EDUCATION. The colour GREEN means "go for education" and the colour YELLOW means "but approach with caution".

So we all say thank you to **JOYCE WOOD** for all her hard work in making the flowers for our Executive.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Patricia Waters

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the Royal Montreal Golf Club for the 52nd Annual General Meeting of the Quebec Federation of Home & School Associations. It is interesting to note that just as we are the oldest, and largest, parent involvement organization in Canada, this golf club is also the oldest one in Canada!

Somehow I feel comfort in knowing that we have a role, not only in Quebec's educational history, but also in its future. The theme, "New Directions in Education", represents our challenge as parents to face changes in our school system with a positive attitude. As our children 'graduate' into the world of the 21st Century they need to be equipped to meet the complex and constantly changing challenges of that job market.

Our children will need to be flexible, adaptable, creative, enterprising and entrepreneurial. The market place they will be working in is that of a global economy. What can we as parents do to prepare our children? How can we help with the inevitable changes that will be taking place in our schools? I think the answers to these questions are to be informed, be involved and be prepared to work together with our children's schools.

Remember, both the parents and schools share a common goal - to prepare our children for a satisfying, productive adulthood. We are **PARTNERS** in education!

1996 CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Awards – Gordon Paterson Award	Wendy Buchanan Allan Locke
Leslie N. Buzzell Award	Patricia Waters
Membership Awards	Frances Gunther
Newsletter Awards	Diane Radu
Book of Reports	Carol Ohlin
General Arrangements	Barbara Chatelois-Page Patricia Waters
Hospitality	Barbara Chatelois-Page Esther MacLeod Carol Ohlin
Kits	Ann Bishundayal Nomad Scientists
Nominations	Wendy Buchanan & Allan Locke, Co-Chairmen Ann Bishundayal Tula Corber Monica Leonard
Program	Wendy Buchanan
Photography	Photo Art
Preview Flyer & Program	Wendy Buchanan
Preview Flyer & Program Book Artwork	Patricia Waters
Publicity	Dorothy Nixon
Registration	Ann Bishundayal Carol Ohlin
Resolutions.....	Helen Koeppe, Chair Wendy Buchanan Ann Cumyn Margaret Funnell Miriam Lalande Allan Locke Barbara Milne-Smith

UNSUNG HERO AWARD WINNERS



Aylmer	Isabelle Meredith
Cecil Newman	Ermine James Mary-Ellen Jones
Courtland Park	Beth Lai
Dorset.....	Deleine Perrie Sandy LeCouffe-Jones
Edgewater.....	Diane Pitts
Elizabeth Ballantyne	Lisa Lipowski Celine Duquette
Ecole Primaire Harwood	Nicole Raymond Tina Drury
Lindsay Place High School	Barbara Alnwick Ian Heron
Sunnydale.....	Ruth Petel Linda Lubin
Willingdon.....	Ena Lazarus

GOLDEN TORCH WINNERS



Aylmer	Danielle Langi
Courtland Park	Ginette Pugh
Elizabeth Ballantyne	Joan Genest
Ecole Primaire Harwood	Terri Tansey
John Rennie	Brenda Dewar
Lindsay Place High School	Joan Baker Margo Heron Edith Ritchie Betty Shotton
Sunnydale Park.....	Helene Brodtkin
Willingdon.....	Pat Hastey
Windermere	Alison Palmer

GORDON PATERSON AWARD
for outstanding service to the education of children
KATHLEEN CUMMING



When the call came at Willingdon Elementary in Montreal, for nominations for the QFHSA's Gordon Paterson award, teacher Kathy Cumming was the unanimous and immediate choice. A "master teacher" with 40 years experience in the classroom and as an administrator, Miss Cumming has always been keen to involve parents in school activities. "She is never at a loss when suggesting things for the many volunteers at Willingdon to do," says Anne Williams, President of their Home and School Association.

Kathy Cumming taught for 6 years in her native Scotland before coming to Montreal. She taught here for many years before taking on the responsibility of Vice-Principal and Principal at Keith School, with a stint in-between as Principal of Logan School.

Later on, she returned to university and with a new Masters degree in "reading" in hand Miss Cumming re-entered the classroom, where her creative approach to teaching provided her students with a well-rounded educational experience and many fond memories to look back on.

Those who work with Kathy Cumming say she is an enthusiastic and dedicated educator, someone who cares how her students fare in and out of school. This is a teacher who does not hesitate to contact parents when necessary to set up parent/teacher interviews. This is a teacher actively involved in all areas of school life. At Willingdon she has served on the School Council, on the school's Objectives Committee and, for the past three years, as teacher representative at Home and School Meetings.

And this is an educator most deserving of the 1996 Gordon Paterson Award for outstanding service to the education of children. Congratulations, Kathy Cumming! May we at the Quebec Federation join with your many former students and co-workers in wishing you the happiest of retirements!

Message from CHSPTF President
ANNE WHITE



On behalf of Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation, I would like to extend warmest greetings to delegates to the Quebec Federation of Home and School Association Annual General Meeting.

Changes in the role of the parent in education in Canada formally recognize the value of the contribution made by volunteers at all levels of the Home and School network. The input of parents is acknowledged as an essential element in the resolution of the social problems which impact on children and their schools. At the heart of many social issues lies the fractionalization of values in the community. Two-way communication between the home and the school is a necessity; reaching out to the marginalized has become an obligation we can no longer afford to ignore.

I congratulate you on your work to advance the well-being of children and youth in Canada, and wish you well in your deliberations.



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10:30 - 10:45 am Nutrition break
10:45 - 11:15 am Second CAUCUSING session
11:30 - 12:30 pm RESOLUTIONS

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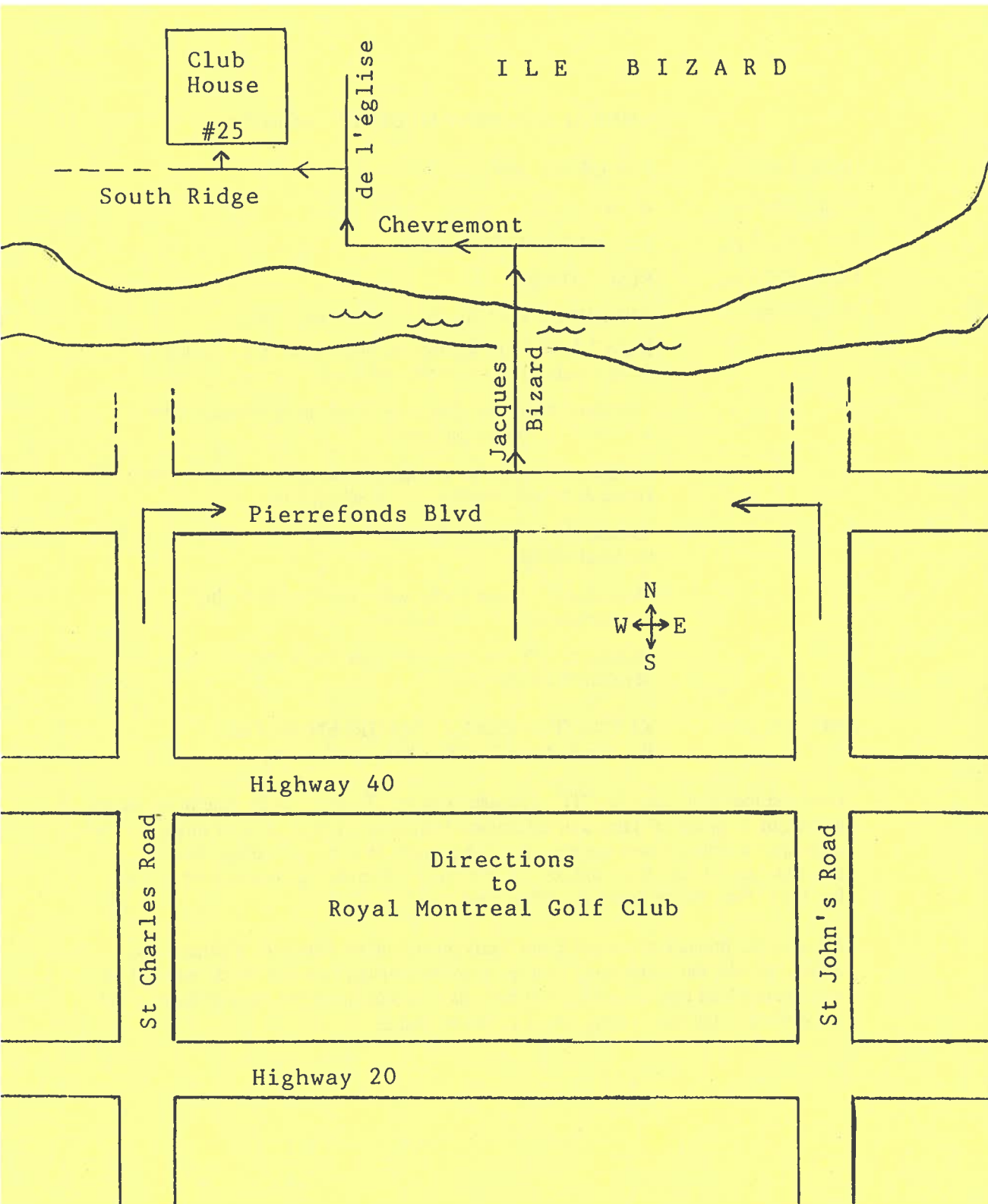
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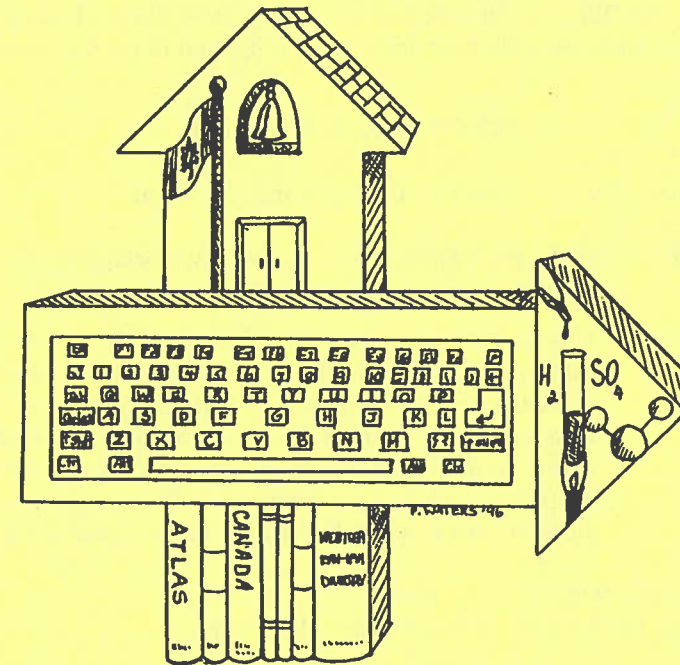
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