Quebec Federation of Home & School Associations



50th Annual Convention

THE FAMILY: The Heart of Society



APRIL 15-16, 1994

Being held at:

Beaconsfield Golf Club 49 Golf Avenue, Pointe Claire, Quebec

1993/94 MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

(based on number of families)

ON ISLAND BOARDS - Elementary Sc	hools %	Membership Chairman
Royal Vale	100.0%	Cindy Schwager, Pres.
Elizabeth Ballantyne	98.0%	Catherine Maxham
Beacon Hill	89.1%	Wendy Tonkin
Christmas Park	80.3%	Cheryl Patton
Honourable Mention		
École Primaire Beaconsfield	75.0%	Haifa Darwiche
ON ISLAND BOARDS - Secondary Sch	nools	
Hudson High	23.8%	Heidy Berthoud
Honourable Mention	20.070	Holdy Bollifold
Royal West	19.4%	Kathryn Arrell
	10.470	Tatiny i Airei
OFF ISLAND BOARDS		
Baie Comeau Elementary/High	70.8%	Pamela Lalonde
Honourable Mention		
New Carlisle Elementary/High	23.7%	Janice Sylvestre
SPECIAL TEACHER DRAW		
Lorna Aiken, Seigniory		Pam Godfrou
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1993/94 NEWSLETTER AWARDS

Elementary Schools	Editor
Evergreen — Evergreen Events Mount Pleasant — Chalk Talk	Wendy Oliver Dawn Hirsch
Elizabeth Ballantyne — EB Update	Ann Bishundayal

High Schools

Westmount High —

Westmount High Home & School Newsletter

Anna Marrett

GORDON PATERSON AWARD WINNERS

given to an outstanding educator who has given long service to the education of children, and encouraged the participation of parents.

1973	Dr. L.P. Patterson	1984	Constance Middleton-Hope
1974	Professor Frank R. Scott		Robert E. Lavery
1975	Winton Roberts		Tom Bean
1976	lan Trassler	1987	Donald Barnes
1977	Lorne Hayes	1988	Patrick Baker
1978	Lloyd MacKeen	1989	Patricia Lewis
			Bertha Hayes
1980			Kathy Gorrie
1981			Ellen Wernecke
1982			Richard Meades
	Lucien Rossaert		

Thank you to the following schools for donations made towards our 50th Birthday celebrations:

Dorset Home & School (Baie d'Urfé)
Ecole Primaire Harwood Home & School (Dorion)
Lakeshore Regional Council of Home & School Associations

Muffins and cookies provided by:
Cedar Park Home & School (Pointe Claire)
Ecole Primaire Beaconsfield Home & School
Seigniory Home & School (Pointe Claire)
Valois Park Home & School (Pointe Claire)

Centerpieces:

"Year of the Family" models were made by some of our local schools

Special thanks to:

READER'S DIGEST ASSOCIATIONS (CANADA) LTD. for book prize donations. PHOTO ART for taking the pictures of our annual meeting.

BUZZELL AWARD WINNERS

given to a Home & Schooler for outstanding service at the provincial level (other than the President).

1973 Gordon Robertson
1974 Maybelle Durkin
1975 Rev. William Clinton
1976 not awarded
1977 Patricia Lewis
1978 Joan Riches
1979 Joan Mansfield
1980 Fay Richardson
1981 Dorothy Chant
1982 Gordon Perry
1983 Barbara Milne-Smith
1984 Gisela Amarica
1985 Joan & Allan Locke
1986 Sandra Keightly &
Rose Kandalgaonkar
1987 not awarded
1988 Caspar Esselaar
1989 Jon Percy
1990 Anne MacWhirter
1991 Charlene De Conde
1992 Carol Ohlin
1993 Marion Daigle

Co-Presidents' Message



Wendy Buchanan



Allan Locke

We gather together as a provincial body this year for the 50th time: a significant milestone for every Home and School member. We have a long history of service to the education community and, most of all, a long history of service to children and parents — a history for which we can all be proud.

As we celebrate our 50th anniversary we are in the midst of sweeping changes in school board reorganization and boundaries. Parents are anxiously awaiting the outcome of the Quebec government decisions regarding these changes. Quebec Federation of Home and Schools will be a steadying influence in this era of change. Regardless of the school boards reorganization, we should remember that each school is an individual member of the Federation.

Today we celebrate the many activities carried out during this past year by your Board members and, most importantly, by the local associations. Week after week tireless workers are out there volunteering their time, talent and often treasure to maintain or improve our local schools.

The members of the local schools are the real backbone of Home and School. Their efforts over the last 50 years, and indeed back to 1919, are recognized today.

As we celebrate today we look forward with anticipation to our next 50 years.

Past Presidents of QFHSA

Gordon Paterson	1967-69	Dorothy Frankel
A.M Patience	1969-71	Doreen Richter
K.C. Fensom	1971-73	Denise Arrey
A.W. Smith	1973-74	William I. Miller, Q.C.
J.A.B. McLeish	1974	John Goodchild
Dr. E.C. Powell	1975-77	Elizabeth O'Connell
L. Mowbray Clark		(appointed Jan '75;
Reuben Resin		elected May '75)
Douglas Walkington	1977-79	Rev. Alex Morris
	1979-81	Dr. Calvin C. Potter
(first woman president)	1981-83	Owen Buckingham
F.W. Price	1983-85	Marion Daigle
(resigned to become	1985-87	Sylvia O. Adams
	1987-89	Helen Koeppe
	1989-90	Helen Koeppe
		(interim president)
	1990-93	Barbara Milne-Smith
		& Jon Percy
Sandra Donovan	1993-	Wendy Buchanan
John H. Purkis		& Allan Locke
	A.M Patience K.C. Fensom A.W. Smith J.A.B. McLeish Dr. E.C. Powell L. Mowbray Clark Reuben Resin Douglas Walkington Runa Woolgar (first woman president) F.W. Price (resigned to become director of the Canadian Conference on Education) Jack W. Chivers John N. Parker Wolfe Rosenbaum Sandra Donovan	A.M Patience 1969-71 K.C. Fensom 1971-73 A.W. Smith 1973-74 J.A.B. McLeish 1974 Dr. E.C. Powell 1975-77 L. Mowbray Clark Reuben Resin 1977-79 Runa Woolgar (first woman president) 1981-83 F.W. Price 1983-85 (resigned to become 1985-87 director of the Canadian Conference on Education) 1987-89 Jack W. Chivers 1990-93 Wolfe Rosenbaum Sandra Donovan 1993-

LESLIE N. BUZZELL AWARD

for outstanding service to the Quebec Federation

ANN CUMYN

A nomination long overdue for this award is that of Ann Cumyn. Over the years she has successfully juggled many hats. She has served Home & School in many ways, presently as Chairman of the Education Committee. Ann is also a hard-working commissioner for the Lakeshore School Board; a Vice-President of the Quebec School Boards Association; she has been a member and Chairman of the Protestant Commitee of the Superior Council of Education; and last, but by no means least, she is a devoted wife and mother.

Ann has always without hesitation provided assistance and leadership to the Federation and has shared her expertise, knowledge and background information in order to help the Federation to continue to flourish.



Ann serves Quebec Federation with a view to improving and enhancing the existing system of education. She has demonstrated by her efforts that change can come through consultation, through communication and by collaboration with all the partners involved.

An example of Ann's devotion to Quebec Federation is the "labour of love" that appears each year — the Literary Booklet — wherein samples of childrens' creativity are published and circulated following much work, organization and effort by Ann and her dedicated group of volunteers.

In appreciation for her leadership in all the workshops, committees, conferences, special assignments and numerous other tasks, we are pleased to honour Ann Cumyn with the 1994 Leslie N. Buzzell Award.

GORDON PATERSON AWARD

for outstanding service to the education of children

METHA BOS



To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Quebec Federation, it is most appropriate that an extraordinary educator has been honoured with the Gordon Paterson Award. A person with a knapsack of many talents, Metha Bos has embraced the challenge of numerous teaching opportunities during her career. After receiving her Macdonald College Teaching Diploma and teaching at Souvenir School in Laval, she felt the need for change, travel and adventure.

After two years as a teacher in Africa with CUSO, Metha returned to teach Grade 2 at Prince Charles School in Laval, where she developed a unique program of individual instruction for each of her 16 Kindergarten to Grade 3 students. Following a two year break to earn a B.Ed. to update her credentials, she once again went overseas with the CUSO program, this time to Yala Teachers' College in Thailand.

When she returned to Montreal, there were various assignments utilising her musical gifts, including teaching classical guitar at William Hingston High and recorder, guitar and band at Marymount High. Students from these classes can now be found working all over the city. Then she was off to Japan, where she taught English as a Second Language at the Language Institute of Japan.

Returning to Canada in 1987 and always ready for adventure, Metha accepted a job with the Cree School Board as Principal of Luke Mettaweskum School in Nemaska. Here, her overseas experience proved invaluable. Used to being in different countries, Metha has always felt it important to blend in with the culture and values of the people with whom she lived and worked. She has won the confidence and respect of the parents, many of whom have little or no schooling themselves.

She has made the school a welcoming place. When the preschool first started, timid children were encouraged to bring their mothers with them to class. As their confidence grew, these children felt that they could manage on their own. Every time they would see Metha in the hallways they would proudly explain, "Look, Metha, no mummy in school!." This phrase became so popular even children who had never brought their mothers to school were using it. This past year, no parents attended class. The word was out. School was an exciting place to be!

Thanks to Metha Bos, our world and our schools are a better place for our children to be!

Message from CHSPTF President DOLORES NEIL

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Quebec Federation of Home and School Associations, greetings from your friends in parent advisory councils, school councils and local home and school associations across Canada who also support the activities of your national organization centred in Ottawa.

In a world in which change is the only constant, the necessity to involve parents as partners in education has become a priority for provincial governments.

There is a need to have the public made aware of the range of choices to be made

when diminishing resources are being called upon to produce graduates better equipped to embark on the process of life-long learning called for by a social and economic environment driven by science and technology.

It is also recognized that when parents are actively involved in the setting of school policies, particularly when potentially divisive issues are under consideration those policies are more likely to be accepted by the community.

The theme of your conference, **The Family: The Heart of Society**, will allow you to explore the implications of the changes that are currently underway and will prepare you to accept the challenges that lie ahead.

Congratulations and best wishes in your deliberations.



The Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation

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QUEBEC FEDERATION OF HOME & SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS 1994 CONFERENCE THEME THE FAMILY: THE HEART OF SOCIETY

In keeping with the United Nations Year of the Family, QFHSA is pleased to offer THE FAMILY as the theme for our Special 50th Anniversary Conference. Kathryn McMorrow, the guest speaker, will address the changing definition of Family and how it impacts on Society. As this is a birthday celebration there will be invited guests to help us remember the past, and look forward to the future of QFHSA.

CONFERENCE OUTLINE

Friday, April 15, 1994

QFHSA Offices

3285 Cavendish Blvd., Suite 562, Montreal

5:00 - 7:00 pm

Early Bird Special — a broad range of topics to strengthen leadership in Home & School/School Committee — update on Bill 107, cooperative problem solving — especially helpful to our out-of-town delegates, but open to all. (A light supper will be provided.)

Saturday, April 16, 1994

Beaconsfield Golf Club, 49 Golf Avenue, Pointe Claire

8:00 – 8:30 am	REGISTRATION — in the lounge.
8:30 – 12:30 pm	ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING — in the Club Conference
	Room. A CAUCUSING Session will be held within this
	format.
12:45 pm	50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION — cake cutting cere-
	mony and 50th anniversary "toast".
1:00 - 4:00 pm	AWARDS LUNCHEON and GUEST SPEAKER

AWARDS BEING MADE

Paterson Award — recognizes an outstanding educator who believes in involving parents.

Buzzell Award — recognizes the volunteer achievements of a Home & School member at the provincial level.

Golden Torch Award — recognizes the volunteer achievements of Home & School members at the school level.

Unsung Hero Award — recognizes outstanding volunteers within the local school.

Membership — schools who achieve exceptionally high membership (based on families).

Newsletter — for the most informative and imaginative school newsletters to parents.

GUEST SPEAKER Kathryn McMorrow



PARENTING SKILLS WITHIN THE FAMILY

What does a family need today to succeed as a family? How have families changed? How do you raise children who will become healthy adults and successful future parents? The strength of the family in society and basic family dynamics in the 90s will be explored.