



Your Voice

MUN Pensioners Association (MUNPA) Newsletter-----Volume 9, No. 3; March, 2011; Daniel Stewart, Editor

Editorial

MUNPA SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

MUNPA members have been generous in their support of Memorial's **Family Campaign**. Right now we are 75% of the way towards our goal of \$22,500 which would allow endowment of our scholarship. We hope that MUNPA members who wish to add their support to the Family Campaign over this next year will consider designating their gift to the **MUNPA Scholarship Fund**. For anyone who would like to contribute but no longer has the information sent out earlier by Alumni Affairs and Development, please get in touch with Tara Pearce at Alumni Affairs and Development. Tara can be reached by e-mail at tpearce@mun.ca, or by telephone at 864-4305. Alternately, contact MUNPA Board member, Barb Cox, who can be reached by e-mail at bcox@mun.ca or at 864-6979.

Morning in the Garden



The first *Morning in the Garden* was held on February 17. About 25 MUNPA members came with their enthusiasms and questions (and some brought cookies and cakes!). It was a very pleasant day with the sun streaming into the MUN Botanical Garden meeting room and was an opportunity for members to meet each other and catch up on what everyone was doing with themselves. John Evans brought his puzzles, and Howard Clase and Dan Stewart showed off their computers (mine was smaller!).



John Evans at the Botanical Garden showing the colourful and complex puzzles he creates (sorry for the greyscale, John; it doesn't do justice to the work).

The Taxman Cometh!

...and aside from garlic and magic spells what can we do to stop him from sucking us dry? At the next MUNPA *Morning in the Garden*, March 17th, we'll have an expert on income tax give us a few tips. While there is no charge,

donations will be appreciated to help offset the cost of room rental and supplies. Coffee, tea and goodies will be available, and, again, you are asked to bring some of the latter. You also might bring your current project, "toy," or example of your hobby to share. Details: **Thursday, March 17th, 9:30 – 12:00, at the Botanical Garden on Mt. Scio Road.** We'll do our best to provide transportation, call the office if you need help.

High School Advising Sessions

MUN retirees may now volunteer to help out with interviews of incoming students.

The Academic Advising Centre has been conducting High School Advising Sessions (Interviews) for more than 30 years. Each year more than 100 faculty and staff travel to schools in the province to meet with each applicant to review all the rules and regulations of their chosen program of study. This detailed information is very important for new students as they prepare to get on track to meet the regulations for admission to and graduation from their field of study.

Those interested in volunteering to participate in this project or have any questions should contact:

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www.mun.ca/advice

LifeLong Learning

Contribute to our Spring programming

We're now in the process of putting together our Spring program. If you have any course ideas or suggestions, please share them with us--email: lifelong.learning@mun.ca (mark the subject field "course idea/suggestion") or phone 864-7979.

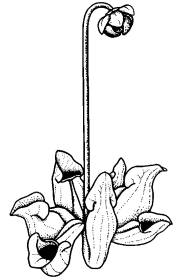
From Curtis, Dawe

The lawyers representing some of our members in a class-action suit against Memorial University have provided an update: The appeal of the class-action certification decision has now been heard and dismissed. The lawyers are filing a Court Order reflecting the decision from the bench and written reasons from the Court of Appeal will follow in due course.

The next step is for Memorial University to file its defence and then the litigation will proceed starting with pre-trial exchange of documents and discoveries of witnesses.

The Wildflower Society of NL

The Wildflower Society of Newfoundland and Labrador holds winter meetings at 7.30 p.m. at the MUN Botanical Garden on the first Wednesday of the month. During the summer we organize field trips in St John's and a week-long trip to some part of the Province in the summer. This year the trip will be to Terra Nova and the Bonavista Peninsula—July 31 – August 6. We also have a quarterly (in theory) journal, *Sarracenia*. We are open to anyone with an interest in the wild plants of the Province. Membership is \$10 annually. For more information and past copies of *Sarracenia*, see our website:



www.wildflowersocietynl.ca

(As always, MUNPA members without web access can phone us and we will print off the information and mail it to you.)

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