

PROFESSOR NOEL VEITCH

Professor Veitch retired from the Faculty of Education in 1992 after 30 years of service. During that time, he was part of the team organizing the university convocations, a task that continued into retirement. He was appointed the Marshall of Convocation and held this position for six years after he retired.

Since retirement, he has served on the Board of the Red Cross doing workshops for new volunteers across the province. He continues to participate in the VON Meals on Wheels program in both the east and west ends of the city. As the VON coordinator noted: "He does so much good and is so quiet and unassuming. Put my name down for him anytime."

In 2001, he was awarded the Telegram/Hotel Newfoundland Newfoundland Symphony Orchestra Achievement Award in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the NSO. This was a fitting tribute to the man who had helped Nish Rumboldt recruit players to the first symphony orchestra and to a musician who still plays viola with the NSO.

In that same year, 2001, he received both the Volunteer Award for Exemplary Service and Memorial's Alumnus of the Year Award which recognized, among other contributions, his establishment of the campus food bank during his working years. Professor Veitch is still very involved with this group – his number is the one to call if you need to contact the bank. When someone asked how much time he spent in this volunteer activity, his wife replied "Eight days a week".