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**The Chain**

# A Banquet for Honoring

On May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, the Northside-Victoria Local NSTU celebrated two very distinct groups of people. “The Excellence in Teaching” recipients and the teachers who have reached a milestone in their careers, “25years”. The Northern Yacht Club was filled with celebratory chatter and renewing of friendships. The evening included a very fine meal, speeches, well wishes, certificates and gifts. We were honored with the presence of our Provincial President, Shelley Morse, and Public Relations Coordinator Angela Murray. President Morse spoke highly of the importance of recognizing teachers for the jobs well done. Angela Murray was busy taking pictures for our publication “The Teacher”.

Three cheers for the Social committee members who have stepped up with their time, expertise and experience. They shared their ideas and sometimes just a helping hand by serving on the Social Committee. These unsung heroes worked tirelessly behind the scenes to make this evening possible. I applaud them for their efforts.

Thank You,  
Garland Standing  
VP Social

## Excellence in Teaching Awards

Karen Welton (Baddeck Academy), Dana Koziel (Boularderie), Tammy MacDonald (Bras d’Or), Anita Hardy-Williams (Cabot), Angela Currie-Simms (Cape Smokey), Brian Andrea (Dr.T.L.Sullivan), Anita MacNeil (Ferrisview), Troy Rudderham (Florence), Maureen O’Handley (Jubilee), Ann Lavery (Memorial), Laura Currie (Memorial), Jamie Clarke (Rankin School of the Narrows), Garland Standing (Seton), Kathy Scott (St. Joseph’s), Tonya Chislett (Sydney Mines Jr. High), Michelle Pinaud (Thompson Jr. High)



## 25 Years Service

Mary Lou Andrea, Flora Cantwell, Mervin Criss, Charlene Ellis, Paula Jane Francis, Judy Hillman, Joan Hiscott, Marilyn MacLeod, Hugh MacNeil, John O’Brien, Lisa Richards, Elizabeth Sehl, Heather Thompson, Donald White



## NSTU 'Teachers Make a Difference' Award

The Nova Scotia Teachers Union provincially recognized nine of its members for making an impact in the lives of their students through the second year of its *Teachers Make a Difference* recognition program. This program, which encouraged students to nominate a teacher who has made a big difference in their lives and contributed to their school and community, garnered 475 nominations representing 238 teachers. Each recognized recipient will receive a \$300 donation towards their home school or campus breakfast or library program.



**Congratulations to Gaye Dixon,  
Physical Education and Science teacher  
at Rankin School of the Narrows,  
on being honored with this award!!**



*Most of us remember at least one educator who stood out among the many who had an influence on our lives – someone who encouraged, guided and inspired us to do our best. Educators have a profound influence on student learning and achievement inside and outside of the classroom, helping them to achieve their goals and to realize their dreams.*

### Northside-Victoria Local Executive



The Nova Scotia Teachers Union is pleased to support teachers and administrators who have dedicated their career to education and leadership. Coming together creates an opportunity to recognize and celebrate the many contributions of teachers and principals who daily create powerful and lasting impacts in the lives of their students.