



PRESIDENT'S CORNER with Brian Ives

"The Way We Were"

The meeting which formed our Association took place in August 1985 (*that's me at about that same time*). This I learned while thumbing through some of the early MURA Council minutes. I also found some revealing insights into the first years of our Association. Does anyone recall how the Fyfe Room of Divinity College was the site of many MURA functions, as well as a "drop in" centre ? (I presume this facility pre-dated the present-day University Club *Members' Lounge* Tuesday and Friday lunchtimes...) Anyway, I had been feeling quite good about what we are achieving in MURA services to members right now – which I thought were quite original. Now it seems we are mostly reinventing the wheel! MURA events of 1985/86 included a corn roast, fun golf day, a keep fit class, Geritol Follies outing, Christmas Party and Canon Ralph Spence's Flag Lecture... wow! But history is said to do a good job of repeating itself, so we should not be afraid to exploit it.

In this issue, you will find plenty of evidence of our varied current activities, which we hope includes something for everyone.... be it Trips, Discussion Groups, the Colleges and Universities Retirees Association of Canada (CURAC) annual conference in Guelph.

No corn roast on the horizon as yet. But there is our special session "*Protecting Your Identity*", which will incorporate the 21st MURA Annual General Meeting, scheduled for May 23.

One important business item for the AGM this year is membership approval of a set of Constitution amendments aimed at better recognising and serving all McMaster retirees. A summary of these changes can be found in this issue.

See you at the AGM... and don't forget to bring your identity!

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2006 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT



Honorary President :*

Dr. Arthur Bourns

MURA Council 2006-2007

Executive

Past President (ex officio)

Mrs. Mildred McLaren

President (one year term)

Dr. Brian Ives

Vice President (one year term)

Mrs. Helen Barton

Treasurer*

Mrs. Beth Csordas

Secretary*

to be appointed

Councillors

Nominated for a three year term of office to 2009:

Dr. Geoffrey Evans

Ms. Kathy Overholt

Mrs. Pamela Penny

Continuing in office until 2008:

Mrs. Margaret Jenkins

Dr. Roman March

Ms. Joan Morris

Continuing in office until 2007:

Mr. John McCutcheon

Mrs. Joan Parker

Mr. Rod Phillips

Mr. Bob West

Auditor*

*Appointed

Nominating Committee

Representing Council

Helen Barton

Roman March

Representing Membership

Murlis Cooper

Helen Otrrosina

Chair

Mildred McLaren

Please note: In accordance with Article 8.01(c) of the MURA Constitution:

"Nominations for these positions will be received by the Secretary of the Association up to (7) days prior to the date set for the annual general meeting from nominators who are regular active members of the Association together with the verbal or written acceptance of the nominee. Nominations will also be received from regular active members at the annual general meeting."