

Malvern Red and Black Society

A GATHERING OF MALVERNITES-REVIEW

November 5, 2006 Balmy Beach Club
Annual General Meeting

Program

Doors open 12:30pm

Meeting Call to Order 1:00pm

Welcoming Remarks- President

Summary Report of Activities- President

Oral History of MCI- Archives Committee

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Keynote Address: Marlene Bourdon-King
'MCI: Best English Department in Toronto'

Financial Report – Treasurer

Election

Closing Remarks- President

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Minutes of the Meeting

Chair: Randy Deffett, President Secretary: Volker Masemann

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Welcoming Remarks- Randy Deffett (Class 1977)
 - We are growing
 - Greatest achievement: relationship with school; welcomed like family
 - Acknowledge \$500 sponsorship by Johnson Inc.
2. Summary Report of Activities
 - 1950s Reunion; 200+ people attended
 - Newsletters: two per year is now established
 - Archives committee
 - MRBS Award presented annually at MCI Commencement
 - Presentation of Centennial Book to graduates
 - Onward Malvern Foundation (OMF) liaison better established
3. Priorities for 2007
 - History of school
 - 1960s Reunion in May at Balmy Beach Club
 - formalize future fundraising structure along with OMF
 - update website, www.malverncollegiate.com; establish on-line members' survey
 - Mentorship programme development; maybe participate in a Career Day
4. Oral History Project- Louise Greenaway (Class 1980)
 - Archives committee establishing
 - History project to interview former staff and teachers
5. Keynote Address- Marlene Bourdon-King '*MCI: Best English Department in Toronto*'
 - Introduction by Shanta Nathwani (Class 1993)
 - Account of her career progress and history of staffing and events at MCI
 - All windows being replaced at school and new auditorium seating
 - Equally, changes to curriculum. New curriculum being put together in a 'slapdash' way under Mike Harris PCs. Poorly planned; labour unrest poor for morale
 - 'Wrecking ball' hit education in 1997 nevertheless English Department survived and continued to care.
 - Covered curriculum particulars, including literary forms: essays, media interpretation, changes in evaluation highlighted
 - Writer's craft: 'Writers in Electronic Residence' provided tutelage of acknowledged authors. Students find feedback process exciting
 - Also enriched programs in-place
 - Students have been successful including numerous Morehead Prizes. May prizes are running out of endowments
 - 'Phoenixing' of MCI is keeping MBK in the profession, 'the energy is back'.
 - Natural Quality Institute is something MCI has become associated with; MBK is the lead NQI teacher
 - Shanta present gift of appreciation.

6. Financial Report – Len Nanjad (Class 1988)

- 2006 most successful: raised \$6300 of which 95% from donations (Report attached)
- expenses approximated \$5,900

7. Election

- no quorum for election to proceed; carried to next meeting
- 18 members in attendance, 20 required for a quorum

2007 MRBS Executive

President, Randy Deffett Class 1977
Vice-President, Louise Greenaway, 1980
Treasurer, Len Nanjad, 1988
Secretary open

Members-at-Large

Donna Halliday (Robb), 1965
Vandra Masemann (Ward), 1962
Sonya Munro, 1943

2007 Decade Coordinators

1903-1939 David Hayne, 1938
1940s Sonya Munro
1950s Rod Tennyson, 1956
1960s open
1970s open
1980s Louise Greenaway
1990s-present Shanta Nathwani, 1993

8. Closing Remarks- Randy Deffett

- Paula Warder (Class 1966) has stepped down as 1960s Decade Coordinator
- Russell Pulkys (Class 2008) saved the website; acknowledged and thanked
- Melissa Kehrer (Class 1993) volunteered legal services
- Acknowledged members of Executive
- Marlen Bourdon-King referred to Parents' Council 'Shop & Support' programme for MCI fundraising (www.wier.ca). Should be coordinated with OMF & MRBS
- MBK speech to be posted on website

Financial Report, November 5, 2006
Prepared by: Len Nanjad, MBA, CMC

Where we have been: (June 2005 – present)

MRBS continues to follow a clear operating model, with a single chequing account, and a simple financial tracking system to monitor and help control activities within it.

Income Statement: Very Good Performance (actual to June 30, 2006)

MRBS generated operating revenues of about \$6286.73 based on donations (95%), and sales of Centennial Books and other memorabilia (5%). This is an increase of \$355.42 (6%) from last year's revenues.

Expenses totaled approximately \$5889.09 which is up 32% from last year's expenses of \$4452.80. The major expenses included production and mailing costs of the Musings newsletter (approx. 37%), as well as member services such as supporting reunions and special events like Remembrance Day and a Seniors' Tea and flow through of donations to the Onward Malvern Foundation (approx 37%). Website redesign and administration expense was approx. 20% of the total this year and bank fees and other administrative fees accounted for the remaining 6% of expenses.

Where we are at:

Balance Sheet (at June 2006): Very Good.

Overall asset position with no liabilities leaving a residual equity of \$9257.34
Assets included cash on hand of about \$ 2800.34, as well as inventory of centennial books and memorabilia costed at about \$6457. MRBS had no payables as of June 30, 2006

Current Financial Standing: (As of November 5, 2006)

Cash on hand is about \$2900.

Inventory remains at about \$6500, with a small number of pewter pins recently added to the current stock.

We have no outstanding liabilities.

Where we are going: (July 2006 – June 2007)

Annual Operating Budget (Projected): Approximately \$4500

This includes administrative expenses for the website, banking fees and supplies.

Major activities will include two newsletter publications, updates to the website, archiving, and other member services yet to be determined.

Revenue (Projected): Approximately \$ 4500

Revenue from donations and memorabilia sales is expected to occur steadily through the year. Also, alternative sources of funds may be generated through our sponsorship arrangement with Johnson insurance and potential advertising on our website and newsletter.

Financial Statements

MRBS
Statement Of Income and Expenses
July 2005 - June 2006 - Revised

Income

	2005	2006
Sales		
Centennial Books	\$ 1,270.00	\$ 240.00
Memorabilia	\$ 170.00	\$ 47.00
Other		
Donations/Gifts	\$ 4,591.31	\$ 5,800.95
Fundraising	\$ -	\$ -
Other sources	-\$ 100.00	\$ 198.78

Total Income

\$ 5,931.31	\$ 6,286.73
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Expenses

Banking	\$ 165.00	\$ 232.24
Website	\$ 320.87	\$ 1,160.45
Mailing	\$ 768.21	\$ 654.80
Newletter Expense	\$ 747.00	\$ 1,526.36
Letterhead	\$ 174.80	\$ 120.61
Office Supplies - other	\$ 21.80	\$ -
Music Department Expense	\$ 500.00	\$ -
Centennial Debt Expense	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Fundraising Expense	\$ -	\$ -
Other Expense	\$ 755.12	\$ 2,194.63

Total Expenses

\$ 4,452.80	\$ 5,889.09
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Net Income/Loss

\$ 1,478.51	\$ 397.64
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Financial Statements – continued

**MRBS
Balance Sheet**

	Dec. 31 2004	June 30, 2005	June 30, 2006
Assets			
Cash	\$ 660.48	2402.7	2800.34
Accounts Receivable			
	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Intangible Assets			
Membership database	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Goodwill	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Inventory			
Centennial Books	\$ 6,528.50	\$ 6,470.00	\$ 6,292.00
Memorabilia	\$ 480.00	\$ 230.00	\$ 165.00
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Total Assets	\$ 7,668.98	\$ 9,102.70	\$ 9,257.34
Liabilities and Equity			
Accounts Payable			
Archive Storage Materials	\$ 450.00	\$ -	\$ -
OMF Donation	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -
Website Fees	\$ -	\$ 160.45	\$ -
Association Equity			
Residual Equity	\$ 7,218.98	\$ 7,942.25	\$ 9,257.34
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 7,668.98	\$ 9,102.70	\$ 9,257.34

REPORT FROM THE MUSINGS

The Motto of the Red and Back Society is “Keeping Malvernites in Touch”. One major way we try to do that is through our Newsletter the “Musings”, which we hope that you have been enjoying. We have had a favourable response to our previous issues, especially with our more senior members, and are now looking to broaden our horizons. We need submissions of your memories of your days at Malvern or how your experiences at good old Malvern Collegiate shaped the way your life is today. Please drop us a line at 1980s@malverncollegiate.com and let us know your thoughts.

We will try to keep you up to date with things that are going on with your old friends and keep you posted about special events such as reunions. (If you want to plan a gathering of your old fellow Malvernites...we are here to help advertise for you!). There will also be little tidbits about what is happening at Malvern today.

We are here to work for you....this is your Society so please help by sending us your articles or even volunteering to help put the Musings together! We are always looking for editors and publishers to work with us to improve our newsletter and to better keep “Malvernites in Touch”.

Thanks for your support.

Malvern Centennial Souvenirs
As of October 14, 2006

Since the 100th Reunion in May 2003, the group working on setting up the MRBS took over the remaining 100th souvenirs and the debt owing to Malvern C.I. which was \$2723.60. + \$500.00 promised to the Music Dept. as a thank you for providing entertainment at the 100th. We proceeded to sell the remaining items on parent interview nights, the Music Reunion, the 50s & 70s reunion and any other venue we could find.

We have used the souvenirs and the proceeds from their sale to pay off the debt to Malvern and contribute \$500.00 to the Music Department. We have also given souvenirs to a number of guests who have done a service for Malvern and/or the MRBS.

Since the debt has been retired, the sale of all articles has gone directly into the MRBS coffers to the tune of \$587.77 to date including \$437.00 since the 2005 AGM.

The souvenirs are advertised on the MRBS website and the MRBS newsletter. There are very few souvenirs left and we will be selling them for the last time at the MRBS AGM in Nov. 2006.

The cost of the remaining souvenirs has been reduced.

8	Ladies' golf shirts	red	\$20.00
2	Men's' golf shirts	red	\$20.00
3	White Teddy Bears		\$5.00
5	Pewter Centennial Pins		\$5.00
1600	Centennial Books		\$10.00

33 books given to alumni at 1980s reunion in Fall 2005; waiting for payment. There is a box at Kingston Rd. United and another at Kew Beach United. We are splitting with them 50/50. KRU has given us \$70.00 so far for 7 books. We have received no info from KBU to date.

Donna Halliday, Member-at-Large, souvenirs, archives.

Malvern Red and Black Society

Archives Committee Report #2

Vandra Masemann (Chair)

Donna Halliday

Sonya Munro

Paula Warder

Doreen Sharland

Bob Burgener

November 5, 2006

The Malvern Archives Committee was formed in early 2002 at the time of the preparations for the Malvern C.I. Centennial Reunion in May 2003 as a sub-committee of the Reunion Committee. Its task was to gather historical information about the school, organise the archival material already in the possession of the school, accept and organise memorabilia from alumni and return them when requested, organise historical displays, and collect oral histories from Malvern graduates. In December 2003, it was given the additional job of producing the *Malvern Centennial Book*. Donna Halliday compiled a database of all the *Malvern Muse* articles from 1924 to the present and several others lists of sports championships, academic awards, and those who fought and died in both World Wars. Paula Warder designed and presided at the Opening Program for the Reunion. Other graduates and former staff assisted in creating displays on sports at Malvern, and a grandparent collated a list of valedictorians.

In the months following the Reunion, the Archives Committee members continued to put the school's archival materials in order and to return all the borrowed materials from the alumni after they had been scanned or photocopied. In addition they negotiated with the then Principal, Nadine Segal, for a permanent room for the Malvern Archives and secured a permanent space within the school. They also sold remaining copies of the Centennial Book and souvenirs to defray the cost over-runs from the Reunion. They liaised with the Archives Dept. of the TDSB about setting up permanent archives for Malvern. They also tried to raise awareness about the necessity for repairing the Malvern WW1 monument and attended a meeting of the Parent Council for that purpose.

In November 2003, the Committee assisted the Home and School Council in decorating the school cafeteria for the school Graduation with historical displays created for the Reunion. Donna Halliday created various displays for the hall cabinet we had been assigned. The Committee responded to all inquiries about the history and graduates of Malvern. Several of these inquiries were for old friends to meet again, and in some cases romantic attachments were resumed. Sonya Munro has been instrumental in responding to Malvernites' inquiries.

When the Malvern Red and Black Society was founded in 2004, the Archives Committee became part of the structure of that Society. They moved the archival collection into its permanent home on the second floor of Malvern in what was the workroom for the old library before the new one

was built in 1987, as the new Principal, Line Pinard, carried out the promise of her predecessor. They did a complete manual sort of the collection. They assisted the TDSB in its inventory of the art collection at Malvern which forms part of the permanent collection of the TDSB. Sonya Munro also attended the Remembrance Day Skate in 2004 as our representative, assisting the students to wear historically correct attire from the 1940's.

The MRBS assisted with Graduation in 2004, suggesting Doris McCarthy an illustrious graduate as the guest speaker. Donna Halliday created a display about Doris McCarthy for that evening which was later displayed in the hall case. Copies of the *Malvern Centennial Book* were distributed to all Malvernites graduating that night. In that year, Vandra Masemann served as the MRBS liaison on the *Boys of Malvern* Committee, chaired by Arnie Williamson, a Malvern parent. It has as its goal the restoration of the Malvern monument.

During the 2005-2006 school year, the Archives Committee has started the process of cataloguing the entire archive. They invited Greg McKinnon and David Sowerbutts of the TDSB to give a workshop in September 2005 on the proper way to set up and run a permanent archive collection at a school. They gave a very informative workshop which will give the Committee many hours of work in the years to come. The MRBS has allocated \$500 for the purchase of the correct archival quality acid-free boxes, files and other materials for the Malvern Archives, for which we thank them. These monies came out of generous donations from MRBS members. **We would not have been able to consider setting up and running the Archives without the financial support of the MRBS members.**

With the aim of creating an opportunity for graduates to visit the school and for current students to acquire a sense of the school's history, we asked the school administration in 2005 to hold an assembly for Remembrance Day that would celebrate Malvern's contribution in the Year of the Veteran. They reacted enthusiastically to this suggestion and two assemblies were planned for November 11 to allow the entire school to pay their respects to past Malvernites for their contribution to world peace. The Malvern Band and Choir performed, as well as a bag-piper. Joe Ryan from the Royal Regiment of Canada was the speaker. Several alumni accepted the invitation to visit the school, attend the ceremony, view the historical displays, meet with students and have a light lunch. The wartime experiences of Sonya Munro were written as a small play, with two Malvern students playing the parts of Sonya and her boyfriend Johnnie Johnson, who was killed in Burma. The event was videotaped, and CTV ran a news item about it in two news broadcasts that day. Students from Malvern were assigned to each visiting graduate so that they could share their thoughts that day.

In the year 2006, we continued the task of sorting out each box of archival materials, a task which was completed by June 2006. We also transferred the materials that were of archival value from the school storeroom. These were textbooks and library books from the East Toronto High School and student record cards from the early years of Malvern. Then we set about writing a description of every item in the boxes, a job which will take the best part of the 2006-2007 academic year. Doreen Sharland joined us to help in this monumental task. Donna Halliday is transferring all these lists onto a computer database.

Paula Warder continued doing historical research on Malvern in the war years and created a binder full of new items from that period. She also continued to collect information on

the Malvern Staff. We transferred some French textbooks and library books that were in the Archives Room to the Canadian Book Exchange with the kind assistance of Bob Burgener. We continued to respond to inquiries about Malvern graduates, a task which was particularly rewarding. In May 2006, we provided historical posters of the 1950s for that decade's Reunion at the Balmy Beach Club. In fall 2006, we researched material from the 1940s Muses for the war years in preparation for the Remembrance Day service. In the summer and fall of 2006, Vandra Masemann and Sonya Munro provided assistance to Balmy Beach Community School in sorting out their archival materials and helping them prepare for their Centennial Reunion in May 2007. We thank all of our members for their help and also Line Pinard and the staff members at Malvern for their cooperation and assistance during our monthly visits.

Future plans for the Committee include the large project of cataloguing and filing every item in the Archives in the proper acid-free file or container, and creating a computer database. We need to continue the task of collecting and organising historical information and making it accessible via website links. We also need to create an archival policy for the committee and the school to govern the ongoing collection of materials. We will also be asked to join a new committee set up by the TDSB to share ideas with Archives Committees from other Toronto schools. Lastly, and most important, we will continue the task of making Malvern students and staff aware of their school's history and of Malvern's enduring contribution to the life of the community.

Keep in Touch

Check our website, www.malverncollegiate.com, regularly for the latest news from your Malvern Red and Black Society