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## **PRIMATES WORLD RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT FUND**

We are seeking more members, especially from the Moncton area. There are currently 63 lay parish representatives as well as many clergy who volunteer to work for PWRDF, also a Diocesan Committee, a coordinator and 7 committee members: Terence Chandra (Woodstock), Linda McLean (Chatham), David Wilson (The Nerepis and St. John), Marian Lucas-Jefferies (Upper Kennebecasis), Victoria Garrett (Cathedral), Paul McCracken (Saint John), and Geoffrey Hall (Synod Office).

October 2005, Diocese PWRDF workshop in Fredericton. 30+ parish representatives attended, guest speaker, Beth Baskin, PWRDF Toronto.

June - October 2006 - Bishop Miller's AIDS Walk: over \$53,000 was raised and presented to Christine Kilpamwambu, a PWRDF partner from Tanzania, Africa, at a Service of Celebration at the Cathedral on Sept 15, 2006.

September 2006 - The Diocese of Fredericton hosted the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada PWRDF Annual meeting on Sept 13-14, 2006.

February 2007 - Diocese Committee member, the Rev'd Marian Lucas-Jefferies returned to Soweto, South Africa to work on a Canadian Co-operative Association and PWRDF sponsored project.

March 11-22, 2007 – National Youth board member, Victoria Garrett, travelled with PWRDF to Mexico to visit partners in Mexico City as well as indigenous communities in Southern Mexico.

The 2006-2007 PWRDF focus is Enough for All - Water campaign. Water is a sacred gift connecting all life. But it's a gift under threat throughout the world. This is the year to focus on corporate responsibility. Protecting water is everyone's responsibility. All corporations and governments must be accountable, as well as ourselves.

Respectfully submitted,  
Betty McNamara, PWRDF Diocesan Coordinator

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## **ROTHESAY NETHERWOOD SCHOOL**

Our enrolment this year of 262 students is an all-time record and indications bode well for the school's long term well-being.

In October of 2006, we opened Netherwood House which is the new residence for our junior boarding girls. This is the first time RNS has built a residence specifically for the girls attending RNS. Gifts from a family whose daughter attended RNS for three years and the Netherwood Trust Scholarship Fund made the building of this residence possible.

Netherwood House is the second step in our plan to secure our school's future. Collegiate Hall, the administrative building opened in 2004, was the first step in the school's long term stability.

With the school's growth, we are well beyond the capacity of the present dining hall. We are now in the early planning stages for a new dining hall. Once the funding is in place, we will begin construction. This will allow the school library to move to the present dining hall and to create two new classrooms in the present library space. At the same time, an endowment drive to provide greater financial aid for Atlantic Canadian students attending Rothesay Netherwood is the final part of our stabilization plan. Completing this plan in the next five to seven years is an absolutely vital step in the school's continuing effort to be one of Canada's outstanding small boarding schools. Capital improvements are not funded through tuition fees and can only be accomplished through donations.

Through the generosity of an alumnus, we were able to perform some chapel renovations

last summer, the most important of which was the installation of an emergency exit door from the chapel. The remaining funding allowed us to replace the choir pews with chairs to give us more seating for the choir and a more flexible seating arrangement overall. The wood flooring was replaced as was the carpeting under the pews and new tiles were laid on the aisle. This summer we hope to repaint the entire chapel, and begin work to replace the wiring and hopefully the boiler. The chapel remains the heart of our campus and we are very pleased that we have been able to make these improvements.

In the fall of 2005, we hired the Rev. Julian Aldous as the school's Chaplain to replace Rev. Peter Campion. Rev. Aldous' wife, Sarah, is one of our school nurses and his four children all attend RNS.

We also have a further four children of New Brunswick clergy are attending the school. Rothesay Netherwood is proud to be able to help provide this opportunity to these families. It continues to strengthen the bond between the Diocese and the school. We always enjoy the Bishop's visits to the school as well as the Choir School early in the summer and the Clergy Retreat at the end of summer.

In October, 2005, the Executive committee of the Board Governors established a Governance Committee to examine the current board structure and advise on ways to improve it. A preliminary report has been prepared and meetings have been held between the Governance Committee and the Diocese Council.

Continuing to improve the academic challenge we offer RNS students, we applied to become an accredited International Baccalaureate school. In April, we received our certification. Our faculty have been attending IB training programmes and we will begin offering IB courses to all grade 11 students in September 2007.

Chapel attendance continues to be on the rise. Approximately 263 children attend five times a week and 133 boarders attend on Sunday. We continue to expand our outreach programmes supported by the students and their weekly offering. Our regular Monday through Friday services start at 8:15 and any member of the Synod who wishes to attend would be extremely welcome.

If you can't come to visit us in person, the next best opportunity would be through our website [www.rns.cc](http://www.rns.cc).

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul G. Kitchen, Head of School

#### **DIOCESAN CLERGY**

As at December 31, 2006 and in order of seniority

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORDAINED DEACON</b>	<b>ORDAINED PRIEST</b>
McConnell, Richard LeRoy	June 11, 1979	May 31, 1980
Arza-Kwaw, Anthony	July 18, 1982	July 17, 1983
Trentowsky, George Elton	January 19, 1997	November 26, 2000

#### **CANONS**

The Reverend James Douglas Patstone, L.Th., December 31, 2000  
Saint John NB