

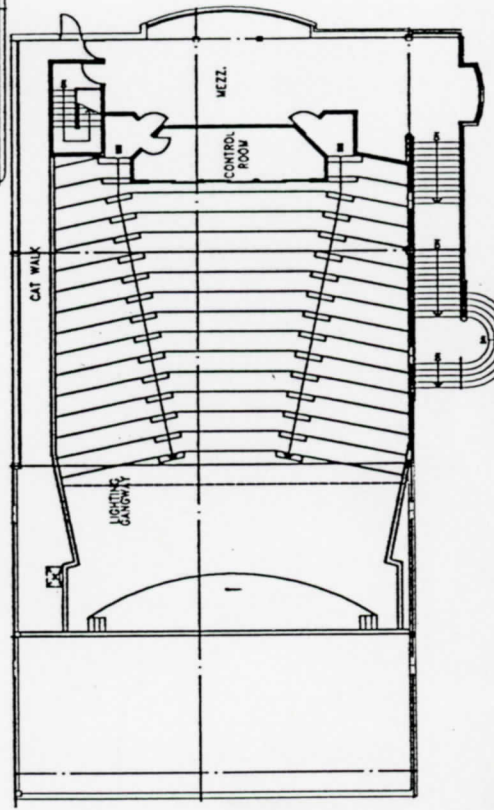
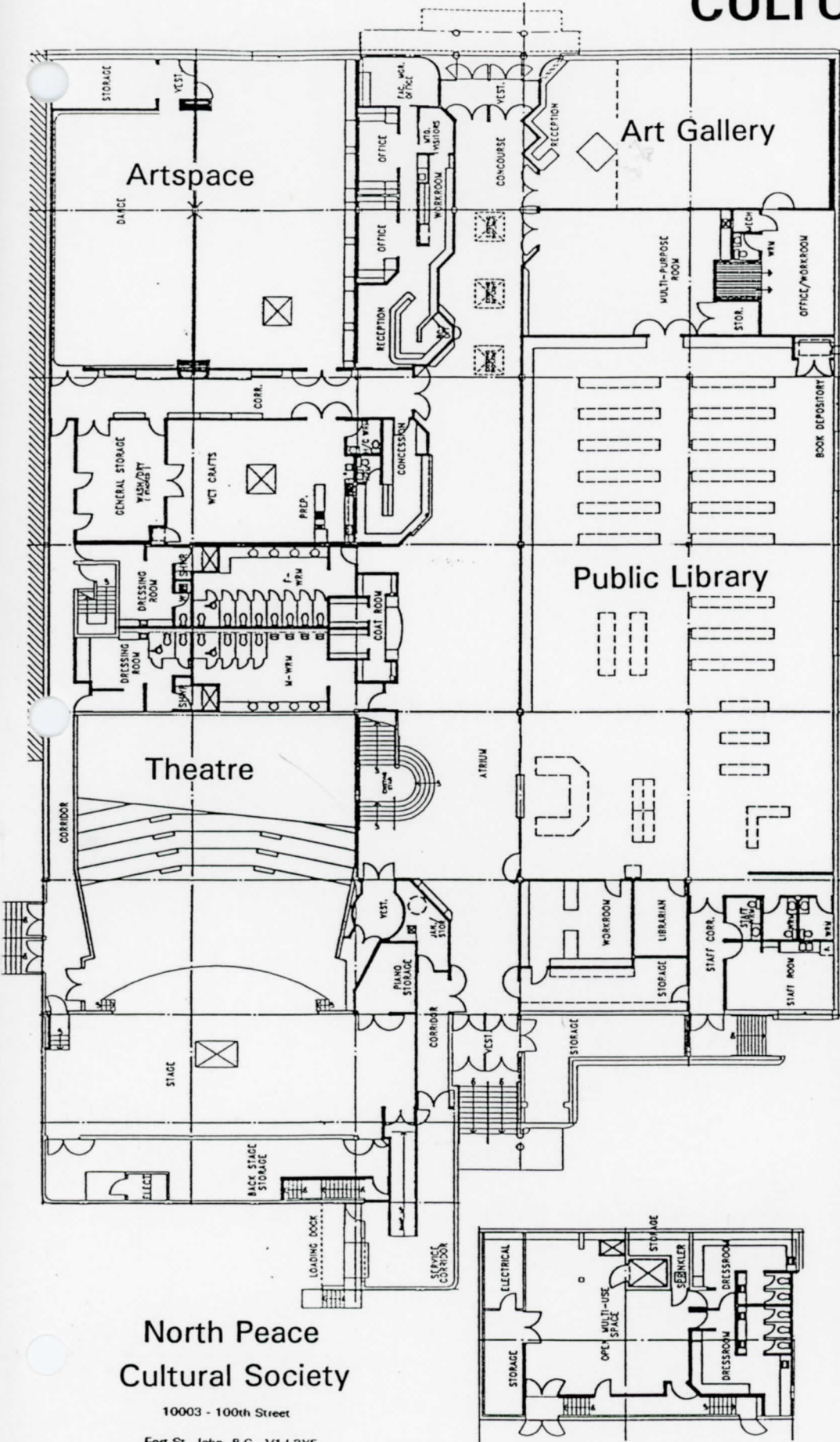
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NORTH PEACE CULTURAL CENTRE THE PROJECT

THE NORTH PEACE CULTURAL CENTRE will provide four facilities in one building for the residents of Fort St. John, Taylor and the surrounding Regional Areas. The 40,000 square foot Cultural Centre will have a 8,000 square foot Public Library with a 2,000 square foot Multi-purpose Room; a 400 seat Theatre, an Artspace for arts-related activities, and an Art Gallery. The original structure of the vacant Hudson Bay Department Store with 29,000 square feet was purchased in 1987 to provide the basic structure and site for the new Cultural Centre.

The North Peace Cultural Society owns and will operate the North Peace Cultural Centre. The Board of Directors consists of elected officials of the District of Taylor, City of Fort St. John , and Electoral Areas B and C of the Peace River Regional District plus representatives of each of the major user groups: Public Library, Art Gallery Society , Friends of the Theatre, Fort St. John Arts Council. The Society was registered in June of 1987 in Victoria, B.C. and has charitable status with Revenue Canada and Internal Revenue USA.

The History of the North Peace Cultural Centre began in 1985 when the Peace River Regional District in cooperation with the City of Fort St. John and Taylor initiated the identification of an Expo Legacy Project in the North Peace. Input from the community supported the development of a Cultural Centre for the area. A joint application was submitted to the British Columbia Expo Legacy Fund and a \$1,000,000 grant was announced by North Peace MLA Tony Brummett in 1986. Following another joint application for funding to the federal government, Prince George - Peace River MP Frank Oberle announced in 1987 a \$500,000 grant from the Cultural Initiatives Program of the Department of Communication. In 1989, the Government of B.C. granted \$650,000 of GO B.C. Funds. In 1991 the City of Fort St. John and the District of Taylor agreed to contribute \$860,000 toward the completion of the Centre. An additional \$720,134 was realized through private donors, business contributions and corporate donations along with special events and fundraising by community organizations.

The Location in the downtown core of Fort St. John will provide convenient access for 30,000 people from the City of Fort St. John, the District of Taylor and Electoral Areas B and C of the Peace River Regional District.

The Benefits to the Region include increased activity in the downtown core of Fort St. John, economic growth in the cultural and tourism industries, and indirect economic and social effects to all businesses in the area. The cultural development of the Peace River Region is assured through services to residents and visitors.

The Architects chosen, following careful research and interviewing, are the firm of Howard/Yano with David Brockington Architects. These architects determined the needs of the four facilities proposed for the Cultural Centre and completed the design stage. Hegge Construction was contracted in June of 1988 for Phase I construction. A Building Committee for Phase I and II are comprised of four people representing the community to oversee the construction and liaise with the architects.

Phase I of the Cultural Centre included purchase of the land and building, structural changes to the building and exterior finishing of the structure. By July 1, 1989 Phase I of the Cultural Centre was complete.

Phase II began in August of 1991. The Phase II construction will employ project management. An additional \$300,000 is required to totally complete the building.

The Annual Budget of the North Peace Cultural Centre will be operated by the generation of funds within the building and the cooperation of the City of Fort St. John, District of Taylor and Electoral Areas B and C of the Peace River Regional District. A joint agreement to pay operation funds above the annual funds generated by the facility has been signed for Fort St. John to pay 50%, Taylor 12.5%, Electoral Area C 12.5% and Area B 25% to a maximum of \$100,000.

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NORTH PEACE CULTURAL CENTRE THE NEED

The **Public Library** currently occupies a rented store-front premise with inadequate space to meet present demands or to plan for future expansion. The present space, 3,000 square feet, falls well below the recommended size for the population currently served. Among the 47 Public Library Associations in British Columbia, the Fort St. John Public Library is the 4th largest in population served but 47th in square foot per capita for the library facility. Due to the lack of space the Fort St. John Library rates 45th in volumes held per capita.

Performing artists, theatre and conferences have no performance nor auditorium facility in Fort St. John since the Northern Lights College has expanded and the new secondary school gymnasium is unsuitable for presentations. All temporary spaces are no longer available. A theatre space could currently be used at least four of the seven evenings each week in the North Peace. The plans to develop Fort St. John into a conference center would be enhanced with proper theatre facilities.

The **Artspace** which coordinates arts activities and classes for all ages and provides a ticket and information centre for the area, occupies temporary commercial space in a basement area of the downtown core. The Artspace serves over 150 pre-school children, 100 students and 75 adults each week in classes and meetings. The demand for more classes and additional space has required use of community schools and other spaces.

The **Art Gallery** is in temporary commercial space too small for travelling exhibits. The Art Society is on thirty days notice to vacate if a commercial tenant wishes to lease the premises. Lack of security and climate control hinders a collection program. No storage and work area limits the workshops and art shows.

The North Peace lacks the permanent cultural facilities which can provide the amenities required for a stable population, a variety of career opportunities, and quality entertainment so often lacking in remote Northern communities. The increasing level of arts activities in the North Peace requires permanent suitable facilities to serve the residents and provide a venue for special cultural events which are tourist oriented.

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NORTH PEACE CULTURAL CENTRE BUILDING COMMITTEE PHASE II

LARRY EVANS

Larry Evans has lived in Fort St. John for 39 years graduating from NPSS in 1970. Larry's extensive community involvement includes 5 years service with the Kinsmen Club which involved various fundraising projects. Other projects include Scouting, 1984 B.C. Winter Games and Minor Hockey. From 1980 to 1983 and 1985 to Present, Larry has served as a director of the Child Development Centre, elected as president for the last 2 years. Larry has served on the Phase I and Phase II of the Child Development Centre Building Committee which is now reaching completion. Larry is a Captain with the Fort St. John Fire Department where he has been employed for the past 20 years. He has been the assistant to the Fire Commissioner since 1983 and is extensively involved with the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

JOHN HERRON

John has lived in Fort St. John "all his life". During his work as a manager of Chatham Steel, John was involved with the reconstruction of the warehouse. He has served 4 years on City Council and spent one year as a volunteer consultant for City Public Works. He has experience with planning, project management, and budgeting for building construction projects from warehouses to offices. His most recent completed project is the new ICBC building in Fort St. John. As a member of the Phase I building committee for the North Peace Cultural Centre, John scrutinized the construction budget. John is presently the owner of Pre-Cam Rentals.

HARVEY RUDELL

Harvey has resided in Fort St. John since 1961 graduating from NPSS in 1967. A self-employed contractor/consultant since 1977, Harvey has been involved in the oil and natural gas industry since 1969. Through business, Harvey has been involved in the construction of various facilities including 4 - 1000 HP Compressor Stations involving complex structural and mechanical engineering. Harvey's community involvement includes Northern Dance Theatre Society, the 1984 B.C. Winter Games and the first Dry Grad festivities held in Fort St. John.

MICHAEL WABERSKI

Mike, a Professional Land Surveyor, was born and raised in Victoria and moved to Fort St. John in 1979. In 1982 he formed Waberski Darrow Surveys with his partners which has grown to a firm employing 24 professional and technical personnel. Mike's background includes redevelopment of their office building and professional experience in design/engineering of many oil and natural gas construction projects. Community projects include the Rotary Park at Charlie Lake, assisting the Cultural Centre and organizing Minor Hockey tournaments.

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Seat Sale May 19.9. KA

Theatre Seat Sales

1. Knutson's Holdings Ltd.
2. Moray Stewart
3. Yvonne Mercer
4. Roy Blackwood
5. Mr. and Mrs. Brian Palmer
6. Dr. and Mrs. John Woronuk
7. Marian and Kevin Truscott
8. Mr. and Mrs. John Wetzel
9. Mr. and Mrs. Tony Brummet
10. Beth Todrick
11. Stan Kary
12. In memory of Esther Kary
13. Lois and Roy Mumby
14. Leslie and Greg Lindsay
15. Jessie MacLean
16. Tall Totem Transport
17. Shirley and Garth Wortman
18. Diane Henry
19. Barbara Godberson
20. Bert Van Donselaar
21. Hazel Van Donselaar
22. Britney Family
23. Mary Telford
24. Betty - Ann and Doug Xenis
25. Shirley Pomeroy
26. Janelle Urchenko
27. Linda and Dave Scarfo
28. Dr. Becky Ann Temple
29. Linda Gentles
30. Don Sim Ltd.
31. June and Quinn Davidson
32. Jason Popesku
33. J.W. "Bill" Smith
34. Petzold Family
35. Linda London
36. Teresa and Rodney Zoerb
37. B.F. Earthy
38. Marilyn and Wayne Hemsley
39. Kay and John Booth
40. Glen Ireland
41. Patrick Walsh
42. Karen and Wayne Gretzinger
43. Arist - o - Cut
44. Superior Property Management
45. Jack Temple
46. Jack Temple
47. Willa Temple
48. Willa Temple
49. Rose Buschta
50. Rosalind and Dave Ross
51. Joseph Temple
52. Shirley Nelson
53. Sylvia Marti
54. Ellen Patterson
55. Roberta and Alvin Long
56. Alwin Holland School
57. North Peace Music Teachers
58. Bruce Ross
59. Shannon Ross
60. Brennan Ross
61. Ryan Ross
62. Bronwen Ross
63. Viggo Pederson
64. Yolande Harrison
65. The Birley Family
66. Reneta Von Ilberg
67. Philip Rempel
68. Jana Jordan
69. Fort St. John and District
Kennel Club
70. Cameron Travel
71. Harvey Ruddell
72. Teresa Ruddell
73. Noni Ruddell
74. Family of Doug Babcock
75. Ellen Patterson
76. Morfydd and Volker Kroecher
77. Katherine Kvile
78. Karalyn Kvile
79. Joan Patterson
80. Everett Patterson
81. Senior Citizen Branch #58
82. Lorraine's Fabrics and
Drapery
83. Jessie MacLean
84. Beta Sigma Phi Zeta Kappa
85. Beta Sigma Phi Zeta Kappa
86. Eileen and Bud Klein
87. Oliver and Helena Mott
88. Gordon Gentles
89. Nicole Sicotte
90. Melanie Sicotte
91. Paul Sicotte
92. Joan Sicotte
93. Czar Resources
94. Patrick, Jody, Janice and
Terry Seguin
95. Gordon Gentles
96. Sharon Ohland
97. Dennis Ohland

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98. Stage North " The Mouse"
99. Anita McWilliams
100. Katherine Nurnberger
101. Larry Wade
102. Mary Wade
103. Peace Lutheran Care Home
104. Advanced Solutions
105. Geoff Birchall
106. John and Gail Temple
107. Fred Gojmerac
108. Alma Gojmerac
109. Catherine Gojmerac
110. Kevin Gojmerac
111. Michael Gojmerac
112. Marie Gojmerac
113. Anna's Delicatessen Ltd.
114. Artspace Classes
115. Bob Bennetts
116. Betty Pimm
117. Ted Pimm
118. Clint Pimm
119. Darwin Pimm
120. Pimm's Production Equipment
121. Ruth and Warren Smith
122. Casey's Neighbourhood Pub
123. Miss Fort St. John Pageant Committee
124. Amy Cosens
125. Robe - From Family
126. Ruth Ann Darnall
127. Dorothy (Dottie) Young and Family
128. In memory of Marguerite Davies
129. Fort St. John Elks Speed Skating Club
130. Fort St. John Elks Speed Skating Club
131. Smith Fuel Services Limited
132. Motorways
133. Miller Meter Limited
134. J. and M. Hermans
135. David Lee Family
136. Dr. Grant Timmins
137. Lucy Timmins
138. Sheri-Ann Lichtenstein
139. Beta Sigma Phi XI Alpha Delta
140. Petticoat Lane Limited
141. Metro, Lona, Tannis, Trent, Semeniuk
142. Diane Bloor
143. Woodrow - Harry and Marcella - Caroline Chapple
144. Joan and Brian Low
145. Fort St. John Lions Club
146. Fort St. John Brewhaus
147. In memory of John Todrick
148. Ellen Patterson
149. Dr. and Mrs. G. Birchall
150. Teresa Walsh
151. Jack Keough Family
152. Fort St. John Country Quilters
153. Knutson First Aid
154. Carline Myhre Mufflers Ltd.
155. N.P. Music Teachers Association
156. Merle Hendricks
157. Mary Humphries
158. Edna and Earl Little
159. Lisa Rasmussen
160. Blizzard Towing Ltd.
161. Ellen Patterson
162. Wayne Andrew Smith
163. Diedre Charlene Smith
164. Jennifer Rachel Smith
165. Stephanie Anne Smith
166. Rebecca Marie Smith
167. Collier's Jewelry
168. Steve Thorlakson
169. Tara and Kanda Thompson
170. Natasha Mangel
171. Anja Mangel
172. Dr. Gerry Mangel
173. Vancouver Symphony Orchestra
174. Marian and Kevin Truscott
175. Fred and Judy Jarvis
176. Pam Gretzinger
177. Eric Gretzinger
178. Freda Murphy and Gang
179. Wilma Robarge
180. Vi Woodward
181. Sorin Popesku
182. Doug Sinclair
183. Ingrid Fischer
184. Mary Baxter
185. Byron Baxter
186. Kinsmen Club of FSJ
187. Susan Popesku
188. Ivan Strome
189. In Memory of Ted Thoveson
190. In Memory of Ted Thoveson
191. In Memory of Ted Thoveson
192. In Memory of Ted Thoveson
193. In Memory of Ted Thoveson
194. Charles F. Wrixon
195. Donna K. Wrixon
196. David and Lenore Thomas

197. Kathy Thorlakson
198. Quin-K Silviculture
199. Willa Temple
200. Tamara Secrist
201. St. Martins Anglican Church Women
202. Pam Okrainec
203. Craig Okrainec
204. R.A.A.
205. R.A.A.
206. R.A.A.
207. R.A.A.
208. R.A.A.
209. Evelyn Sim
210. Barbara & Ed Smith
211. Bruce Johnson
212. David & Rosemary Landry
213. Tom & Bev Lownie
214. Lads Source for Sports
215. Lads Source for Sports
216. Fred Hendricks
217. Double G Charolais
218. Dorothy Embreus
219. Peace Country Quilters Guild
220. BC North Peace Cattlemen's Assoc.
221. BC North Peace Cattlemen's Assoc.
222. Crazy for Food
223. Surerus Pipeline Inc.
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226. Surerus Pipeline Inc.
227. Surerus Pipeline Inc.
228. FSJ Duplicate Bridge Club
229. Beta Sigma Phi Eta Rho
230. Doug Sheh Family
231. M.G. Bogehold
232. H and S Block Family
233. Peace Country Rentals & Sales Inc.
234. Fedderly Transportation
235. William McColl
236. Victor and Mary Wheat
237. J.D and Audrey Anderson
238. Butlers' Lazy B Ranch
239. David and Rosalind Ross
240. P. Odynsky Family
241. Gladwin and Audrey Bartell
242. Steel Toes
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244. Shannon Kelly
245. Kerrie Kelly
246. Linda Kelly
247. Wayne Kelly
248. Trevor Thorlakson
249. Deborah and Ross Peck
250. Ian Stewart
251. David Toews
252. Elsie Toews
253. D.W. Wiles
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263. Yvonne Wiles
264. Yvonne Wiles
265. Brenda Reed
266. Laura Ziprick
267. Daryl Wiles
268. Bert Ambrose School
269. Persnickity Books
270. NP Savings & Credit Union
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272. Fort St. John Knitting Club
273. Anonymous
274. Playful Learning Parent-Teacher Store
275. Rosebrook Flooring & Paints Ltd.
276. Rosebrook Flooring & Paints Ltd.
277. Thiessen Family
278. Kilby Kerr
279. Sterling Kerr
280. Regional District Area B
281. Regional District Area C
282. Dr. R. G. Moody
283. Mr. and Mrs. W. Gentles
284. Mr. and Mrs. W. Gentles
285. Anonymous
286. Anonymous
287. Anonymous
288. Joe Seede
289. Gail Seede
290. In Memory of Nels Ostero
291. Mona Ostero
292. Hazel Maisonneuve
293. Ted Maisonneuve
294. Ellen Patterson
295. Edna Yaeger
296. Karl Wuthrich
297. Magdalena Wuthrich
298. Anonymous
299. Anonymous
300. Cody and Amber Aubin
301. Lucien and Deb Aubin

302. Edna Adlard
303. Bowes and Herron
304. Bowes and Herron
Ltd. Pre Cam Rentals Ltd.
306. Pre Cam Rentals Ltd.
307. Quintana Explorations
Canada Ltd.
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Canada Ltd.
309. In Memory of Marianne Alte
310. Fred Alte
311. Micheal and Pat Smith
312. Smith Fuel Services Ltd.
313. Anne and Gillian Howden-Bartell
314. Hazel Olson
315. Carl Olson
316. Pat Wicharuk and
Andy Hunter
317. Meredith and Eleanor Temple
318. Donald and Norma Currie
319. Embleton Construction
320. Stryda Family
321. Elizabeth Rudrud
322. Garry S. Callison, Q.C.
323. Bobby and Marilyn Biniaris
324. Trail and Sandra LeClerc
325. Bank of Nova Scotia
326. Bank of Nova Scotia
327. Mark Gibb Contracting
328. Tye Productions
329. Alene Peck
330. In Memory of Ted and Lucy Vince
331. Yvonne L. Elden
332. Brian and Rita Churchill
333. In memory of F.S.J. Lioness Club
334. Reg Marshall
335. Bernice Marshall
336. Dave Marshall
337. Sherry Marshall
338. Alaska Hi-Way Auto Body Ltd. '91
339. Lorna Pomeroy
340. Glen Pomeroy
341. Symco Drilling Fluids
342. Glynnis Mackie
343. R.C.M.P. Concert Band
344. Anonymous
345. Anonymous
346. Diane Lloyd
347. Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce
348. Canadian Imperial Bank Of Commerce
349. Gordon Strate Family
350. Gordon Strate Family

351. Helen and Terry Smith
352. Ruth Ann Darnall
353. Canadian Forest Products Ltd
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363. Victor Brandl
364. Edith Brandl
365. Kevin Brandl
366. Barry Brandl
367. Ronald Brandl
368. Evelyn Wetmore
369. Arvid, Karen, Lisa and
Michael Myhre
370. Ray Yenkana
371. Patsy Yenkana
372. Ritha Johnson
373. In Loving Memory of
Dr. David P. Scott
374. Northland Road Services Ltd
375. Ellen Patterson
376. Northern Lights Jazz Singers
377. F.S.J. '92 Committee
378. F.S.J. '92 Committee
379. Jared and Riley Swanberg
380. Randi and Lora Swanberg
381. Anonymous
382. Anonymous
383. Anonymous
384. Anonymous
385. Anonymous
386. John Bookham
387. Pamela Bookham
388. Dana Bookham
389. Micah Bookham
390. Jennifer Lindsay School of Dance
391. Jaye's Welding LTD.
392. Bloxham Family
393. In-Steppe Shoes
394. In Memory of James Locky etc.
395. 4 Fire Dept Boys (name of each here)
396. John Gentles