Bricklayers and Allied Craftworkers Local # 8 NB Canada



NewsLetter





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President /Secretary Treasurer
Gerald Reinders



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G reetings Brothers & Sisters, this is the first edition of a newsletter that local #8 NB will be publishing Quarterly. It will help your President and Management Team to provide you with up to date information on our activities in New Brunswick, and that will be helpful to all of us and to promote the Masonry Trades and Unionism in our area. I will take this opportunity to list the current officers of Local #8 NB and the Local Chapter Chairs

President/Secretary/ Treasurer Gerald Reinders

Management Team Denny Vautour (Field Rep.)

Tom Tracey Ivan Doucet Rejean Goguen

Moncton Chapter Chair Terry Gautreau Saint John Chapter Chair Tom Tracey

I would like to point out that this First Edition is entirely in English but, in the future every effort will be made by this editor to have a translated version published and distributed to all members providing I can get assistance from a qualified Individual to do the translation. I also would like to take this opportunity to request that any member who can assist in the creating of articles for this Newsletter or who may have suggestions on anything that will be of interest to our members to please come forward and contact me, everything will be looked at and judged on their own merit.

Save our Forests, Build with Brick

Presidents Comments

Awards for Service

The following members eligible to receive long term service awards for this year are as follows:

25 years of Service 40 Years of Service 50 Years of Service

Ronald Chiasson Valenin Cernjak George Bishop Donald Cole Tony Foggiato Albert Melanson

Norman Hall Gordon Hamilton Hubald Leger Van Johnson Adriano Marini Florent Losier

Every effort will be made to present the above members their awards at the semiannual meetings or will be delivered to them personally. Hopefully pictures of the awards presentations will be inserted in this Newsletter when available.

We wish to congratulate each and every member on their achievement and for their endurance and commitment to this Union and the work ethics they have developed over the years, a job well done.

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A Helping Hand



Excerpt from the Diary of Fred Richard BAC member local 8 NB Canada



On Saturday July 21/2007 I left from Saint John NB Canada going to Manzini Swaziland Africa on a mission trip for World Hope. After a long trip of 41 hours we finally arrived safe and sound and took advantage of a long awaited sleep. Our purpose of the trip was to build a 40 Ft. X 38 Ft. Cement block building that will be used for a Consulting Center for the local area residents.

The work crew consisted of one local Bricklayer, three local helpers and ourselves. The blocks are all hand made on site with a mix of 30 to 1 Sand /Cement ratio and not of the best quality and sizing to our North American standards. The Mortar used was mixed directly on the bare ground and the ratio was 25 to 1, needless to say whatever was on the ground eventually ended up in the mortar mix .We had time off and went on a day Safari around the local area, it was a very enjoyable outing for us.

Three weeks later with all the blocks laid and the roof partially completed my part of the job was completed and I returned to Canada. It was a great trip and I will return again if I get the opportunity.