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2008-09 Executive

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Congratulations to the newly elected and re-elected members of the 2008-09 TBU Executive!

Please take a minute to thank the members of your branch executive who have worked on your behalf this year and consider putting your name forward for the 2008-09 school year.

Enjoy a safe and happy summer!



From Your Membership Services Officer:

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“Don’t leave home without it”

If you plan to travel outside Canada during your summer holidays, make sure you have the ManuAssist health benefits card. It’s important that you carry this card at all times while travelling outside Canada, as this will confirm your coverage and guarantee payment to the medical facility where you or your dependents’ treatment is being provided. Call 1 800 265-9977 to find out whether ManuAssist is available in the country you are visiting, as there may be limits in countries of political unrest. The 24-hour emergency phone number is located on the back of the ManuAssist benefits card. Need a card? Call Pam Lindsay at 596-8211 ext. 8330.



Getting married? Having a baby?

The deadline for increasing your coverage from single to family health and dental benefits is within 31 days of the change of status, otherwise you can increase your coverage during open enrolment in early January effective in February.

Getting divorced or separated?

You may reduce your level of benefit coverage from family to single at any time.

Retirement and Awards Reception

Teachers and guests gathered at the Centurion Conference Centre on June 5, 2008 to honour this year’s retirees, to recognize the 25-year pin recipients and to applaud our OSSTF award winners. This year’s award winners are:

Dr.S.G.B. Robinson Travelling Fellowship: Michael Goodson and Jeannie Hunter

Janet Cass Project Grant for Staff Development: Sylvia Smith

Awards of Excellence: Bernie Perrier and Nadia Thornton

Award of Merit: Julia Bilenkis

Branch Leadership Award: Eileen Duffin

Subject Council Award: Science



Thank you to the committee members who made this event such a success!