

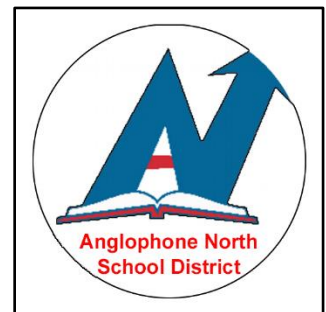
Marjorie Sinclair



Marjorie spent her childhood and years of early youth in Alma, NB, where she lived with her parents and three brothers on the family farm. Following graduation from high school, she attended Teachers College, which firmly laid the foundation for a professional career in teaching and Education, in conjunction with further years of university studies, culminating in a Masters in Library Science. Her passion for teaching saw her transcend from elementary grades to district itinerant teacher-librarian, shared among schools, and onward to the

district office level, where her skills and experience in library services and technology provided her with an opportunity to share her wealth of knowledge among colleagues and schools, as well as the Department of Education (DOE), in her role as District Supervisor of Technology and School Libraries, in ED16 (now ASD-N). It was from this outstanding role that she retired, 2010, after a long and fulfilling career, as a highly respected educator.

Marjorie has never been one to be pretentious, in any context, and her down-to-earth manner made her a readily approachable beacon of inspiration for many colleagues, including the members of the District Information Technology team, for both her wealth of knowledge and her encouragement for others to embark upon new professional endeavours. She was and remains so highly respected as an impassioned educator, that upon her retirement, a new award was created in her honour, which is given to any student, teacher or combination thereof who demonstrate ingenuity and originality and outstanding achievement in applied technology skills. This award had been presented, annually, at the ED16 Creative Use of Technology Awards ceremony (CUTE Awards) which, unfortunately, no longer is in effect.



Retirement has not diminished Marjorie's interests or roles at all. In fact, one would wonder where she will fit anything else into her weekly and monthly agendas, as she remains incredibly active serving on numerous committees, with various groups and organizations, at the local level and beyond. She serves on The Friends of Beaubear's Island Historical Group Board of Directors and Finance Committee; as Chair of the Chatham

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(Miramichi) Library Board of Directors; and Delta Kappa Gamma: International Society of Key Women Educators (DKG). She also is actively involved with the MARTA Branch of NBSRT, having recently spent the past

number of months actively engaged in attempting to compile and catalogue any existing historical documents of the MARTA Branch for the Provincial Archives, dating from the branch's inception in 1976. This is a time consuming but tremendously important project to the members of MARTA and having Marjorie and her expertise as chairperson of this initiative bodes well for its outcome.

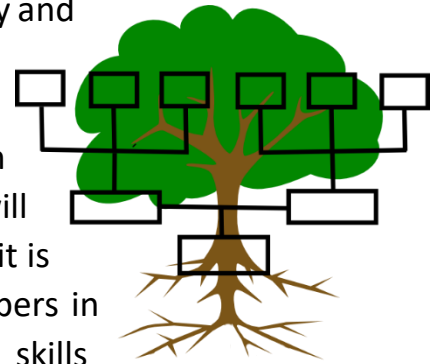
Just as Marjorie has been highly esteemed during her professional years of experience, so too, she also has earned the same level of respect and admiration from the various organizations with which she has been involved, during the years following her retirement.

One noteworthy and remarkable example among many is the fact that during the month of July 2020, she was inducted into a new role in Delta Kappa Gamma, as the Regional Representative of Canada. This event had to be conducted virtually via Zoom, due to the current



pandemic. That, in itself, is no small feat and will involve additional, extensive responsibilities and duties, all of which she looks forward to with eagerness and anticipation. Just as with all commitments she has undertaken, Marjorie will be certain to complete her responsibilities with excellence, as she always leads through fine example. A priority throughout her career and now has been to serve as a strong, exemplary advocate equal of opportunity for all in education and employment opportunities, especially for minority groups, the underprivileged, young girls and women. Such attributes certainly make her a superior choice by DKG, for her new and important international role, within the organization. As an international organization, DKG has members from seventeen countries. Its intended mission is to promote professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. This is further emphasized in its vision statement: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide. A current and prominent program of DKG in Canada is the ArtsCan Circle, whereby the organization sponsors and sends teams of indigenous and non-indigenous musicians and artists to engage children and youth in northern indigenous communities in creative arts workshops. Marjorie is both proud and enthusiastic about this project and others of equal importance, which will be certain to follow.

Among personal interests, Marjorie has a keen interest in history and family genealogy, as evidenced in her very comprehensive completion of lineages for both sides of her family. Her records and charting of information are enviably admirable. This is an ongoing project for her and remains one to which she will continue to dedicate herself, with a keen interest. Apparently, it is gaining a momentum and strong interest among family members in the younger generations. Undoubtedly, her sincere teaching skills have evoked this level of curiosity and involvement among extended family.



Marjorie also has a penchant for travel and opportunities to meet new people, experience new cultures and explore new geographical locations. She has enjoyed every venture she has had thus far, within a wide range of settings, from having camped under the stars in the outback of Australia and cruising the Panama Canal in Central America, to continental travel to many locations in North America. Once the current restrictions in place due to the pandemic have been lifted, she is looking forward to further adventures and completion of her bucket-list destinations.



Having remained in Miramichi, the local community and the MARTA Branch of NBSRT have benefitted greatly from Marjorie's ongoing involvement and contributions, through her selfless volunteerism for the greater good of others and the community-at-large. Whether it is visiting a member of MARTA or a former colleague, due to illness or bereavement, or honouring a special occasion for them, one can be certain that she will make time among her priorities and commitments to do so, as encouragement and support to others are integral to her personality.

Marjorie, your fellow retirees, colleagues, and friends wish to congratulate you on your recent induction into your new role in DKG, as Regional Representative of Canada. This position, in conjunction with your many other voluntary contributions and involvements serves as an exemplary model of how to live well and enjoy retirement, when one has the health and opportunities to do so. You may anticipate congratulatory messages from far and wide, during the coming weeks. Best wishes to you!

