



The *Insignia*

ORDER OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

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Message from The Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador

I am delighted to link with you through this edition of *The Insignia*, the newest publication of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador newsletter since becoming Chancellor of the province's highest honour this past March. Your stories are truly inspirational and demonstrative of the great work that is being done throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. My wife Pat and I believe that the way in which you continue to give back to your communities is equally humbling.

This edition of *The Insignia* focuses on volunteerism and youth engagement and I look forward to future editions covering other areas which exemplify excellence and benefit the residents of Newfoundland and Labrador.

This desire to 'pay it forward' is something that we share with each of you. Statistics Canada estimates that in Newfoundland and Labrador there are approximately 197,000 volunteers and 5,000 community groups. Many of these community groups are small community-based volunteers who add the community spirit to our towns but many others are professional organizations who provide essential services through paid staff. There are almost 23,000 people employed by volunteer and non-profit organizations in a concerted effort to make our province stronger. While each of us has made a contribution in many fields of endeavor, our collective commitment to our community in whatever capacity is unparalleled.

While we have together, inherently or otherwise, committed ourselves to our communities in some form, it is important that we be ever mindful of the very rewarding opportunities that continue to present themselves. As a result, one of the key pillars Pat and I have selected to embrace during our tenure at Government House is citizen engagement and to foster increased awareness of the need to continue to engage, and learn from, all citizens around us.

The outcomes of successful citizen engagement and volunteerism, albeit immeasurable, are not limited to personal



satisfaction. Research has definitively shown that it leads to healthy and vibrant communities. The end result is an inclusive, diverse and equal partnership among us that can move mountains. The engagement and volunteer processes encourage an open dialogue and sharing of ideas within the community in a manner that generates opportunities for learning and using knowledge together which may in turn foster social and economic opportunities as a result.

This year the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador is celebrating 20 years of their Getting the Message Out (gmo) program. This program fosters an innovative culture through motivational sessions by engaging youth in topics such as entrepreneurship, career development and by sharing the benefits of volunteerism and civic engagement. The program aspires to be the primary force in motivating youth to understand and take advantage of the many opportunities in Newfoundland and Labrador. Get the message out to youth in your community today.

His Honour
Frank F. Fagan, C.M., O.N.L., M.B.A.
Lieutenant Governor of Newfoundland and Labrador





Our Newest Inductee: His Honour Frank F. Fagan

On March 19, 2013, the Honourable Frank Fagan was invested into the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador during his installation ceremony as the province's 13th Lieutenant Governor.

Focusing on Youth

“By holding your gaze and shaking your hand, they will feel the surge of pride and self-worth that comes from acknowledgement of their efforts. The experience of meeting you may well be what propels them to take on even greater challenges and chalk up even greater victories. That is the magnitude of the power of your new office. You have the capacity to change lives.”

Hon. Kathy Dunderdale, Premier
On the occasion of the installation of Hon. Frank F. Fagan

While this statement was referring to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, it can easily be rendered applicable to the many individuals such as yourselves who make a difference each and every day. Each person can inspire a member of our youth population to reach their potential. One small gesture or conversation can indeed make all the difference. I encourage each of you to think about ways you can encourage our province's youth who are so willing and wanting to participate. Did you know that Statistics Canada estimates that 55 percent of young Canadians aged 15 to 24 volunteer?

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador believes in the power of innovation and creativity. That is why GMO was launched 20 years ago. It aspires to be the primary force in inspiring and motivating youth to understand and take advantage of entrepreneurial and innovative career and lifelong learning opportunities in Newfoundland and Labrador. Please feel free to pass this information along to any members of our youth communities that you reach.

Members in the News and Making a Difference



Tim Borlase O.N.L., LL.D.
 In late 2012, Mr. Borlase was appointed as President/Chairperson of the Board of Directors for the New Brunswick Arts Board (artsnb). He is currently the Director of the Capital School for Performing Arts in Moncton and President of the Greater Moncton Music Festival.



Paul O'Neill, C.M., O.N.L., LL.D.
 The Paul O'Neill Scholarship established by the Historic Sites Association is celebrating 10 years of presenting scholarships to Memorial University students having some enthusiasm and interest in some area of Newfoundland Studies as part of their degree program.



James Tuck, O.N.L., Ph.D.
 Dr. Tuck received the Canadian Archaeological Institute's 2009 Smith-Wintemberg Award honouring members of the Canadian archaeological community who have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of the discipline. It is the organization's highest honour.



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Deborah Powers O.N.L.
 On April 25, 2013, Deborah Powers was awarded by the Governor General of Canada, His Excellency David Johnston, a Caring Canadian Award in recognition of her dedication to the protection of animals in the province.



Malcolm (Max) Winters, O.N.L.
 Max Winters was inducted into the Newfoundland and Labrador Volunteer Hall of Fame in the fall of 2012. The Volunteer Hall of Fame honours and documents the efforts individuals and organizations that make long-standing volunteer contributions to their community.

Tom Dawe, C.M., O.N.L., M.A.
 Poet and author Tom Dawe received the 2011 Heritage and History Book Award sponsored by the Historic Sites Association for "Where Genesis Begins", published by Breakwater Books.



Henry Vokey, O.N.L.
 Henry Vokey was named to the Atlantic Canada Marine Industries Hall of Fame on November 30, 2012 for his contribution to the art and craft of wooden boat building. He is also a lifetime member of the Wooden Boat Museum.



Members and Memorial University of Newfoundland



Susan Dyer Knight

On May 28, 2013 Susan Dyer Knight, C.M., O.N.L., Ph.D., LL.D., was installed as Memorial University's first female Chancellor.

Did You Know...

The Order of Newfoundland and Labrador is celebrating its tenth anniversary!

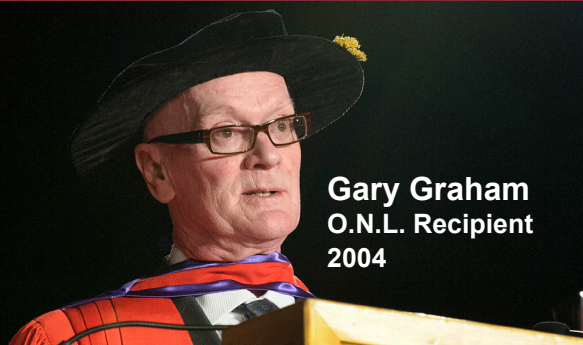
On August 14, 2003, the ONL nomination process was officially launched. Other provincial Orders have also reached milestones.

Were you wondering when other provincial honours programs were established or first awarded?

Although Provincial Orders are not part of the Canadian (federal) Honours System, they have their place in the Canadian Order of Precedence of Orders, Decorations and Medals.

Alberta Order of Excellence (A.O.E.)	1979
Order of Quebec (Ordre national du Québec) (G.O.Q., O.Q., C.Q.) French only	1984
Saskatchewan Order of Merit (S.O.M.)	1985
Order of Ontario (O.Ont.)	1987
Order of British Columbia (O.B.C.)	1989
Order of Prince Edward Island (O.P.E.I.)	1996
Order of Manitoba (O.M.)	1999
Order of New Brunswick (O.N.B.)	2000
Order of Nova Scotia (O.N.S.)	2001

During the Spring 2013 Convocation Ceremonies, the following Members received Honourary Doctorates from Memorial



Gary Graham
O.N.L. Recipient
2004



Susan Patten
O.N.L. Recipient
2004



Barbara Barrett
O.N.L. Recipient
2007

IN MEMORIAM

Author, actor, broadcaster and historian **Paul O'Neill**, C.M., O.N.L., LL.D, who passed away in August 2013, will be remembered for his significant contribution in documenting of the history of the City of St. John's, The Oldest City.

Nominations Deadline for the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador is January 31, 2014

If you know someone who deserves to be nominated for the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador, please contact the Protocol Office and request a nomination package, or download it directly from our website www.gov.nl.ca/onl

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We welcome any information, views or articles which may be of interest to other members of the Order of Newfoundland and Labrador. To submit any information, please send it electronically to onl@gov.nl.ca.



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