

## May 2010 - Provincial Home and School Update

### 1. "HOME AND SCHOOL AND YOU" May 2010

*P.E.I. Home and School Federation welcomes new president at AGM* "First, I would like to thank the outgoing board members and Bill Whelan for advocating for the best possible education for all children on PEI'. Second, I would like to thank the membership for allowing me to 'take the helm' for the next two years. I, like the others who have gone before me, am committed to the best possible education for our children..." This column is written by Owen Parkhouse, President, PEI Home and School Federation for The Guardian and published on the 1st Wed. of the month. See full column on-line: [www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/featured.html](http://www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/featured.html)

### 2. 2010 SCHOOL BUS DRIVER OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Prince Edward Island Home and School Federation is pleased to announce our annual School Bus Driver of the Year Award for 2010. School bus drivers are the first school employees who come in contact with our children each school day, and the last at the end of the day. **Deadline for nominations: May 17, 2010.** Click on this link for nomination info: [www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/documents/Bus%20Dri%20Awd%202009.pdf](http://www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/documents/Bus%20Dri%20Awd%202009.pdf)

### 3. FUNDRAISING GUIDELINES

The PEI Home and School Federation's Fundraising Guidelines are now on-line. See document here: [www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/documents/FundRaising%20Guidelines%20final.pdf](http://www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/documents/FundRaising%20Guidelines%20final.pdf)

### 4. REMINDER: PEOF - Parent Engagement Projects....Still time to apply....

Sandy Rendell and Mait MacIsaac, PEOF Consultants are currently contacting Presidents/Chairs to check on the status of your projects. The PEOF Kit for \$350 grants is on our website. Need a project idea? Everything is on our website.

Project Ideas: <http://www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/PEOF%20List%20of%20Projects.html>

PEOF Kit: <http://www.edu.pe.ca/peihsf/documents/PEOF%20Kit%20Oct%202009%20no%20lines.doc>

### 5. OTHER INFORMATION FOR PARENTS.....

- **May is Speech & Hearing Awareness Month** [www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/maymonth.asp](http://www.caslpa.ca/english/resources/maymonth.asp)
- **National Summer Safety Week, May 1-7, 2010** <http://safety-council.org/>
- **Children's Book Week, May 10-16th** - Visit website [www.bookweekonline.com](http://www.bookweekonline.com)
- **Island Literary Awards submissions due: May 28th 2010.** The most significant public awards event recognizing student writers on PEI, Island Literary Awards, to occur Sept. 19, 2010 and includes cash awards, readings from winning authors, reception, etc.  
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On-line forms: [www.peiwritersguild.com](http://www.peiwritersguild.com) (Click on ILA button).
- **Safe Kids Week, May 31-June 5, 2010** [www.safekidscanada.ca/safekidsCanada/](http://www.safekidscanada.ca/safekidsCanada/)