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PHOTO BY BOB OWEN

Reuniting: Close to 30 people attended the inaugural meeting to organize a reunion for South Cramahe Public School last week. The school, located on Purdy Road west of Little Lake, is marking its 50th anniversary. The event will be held June 5-7, 2009.

South Cramahe P.S. reunion off the ground

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It somehow seems fitting now that South Cramahe Public School is all but set to close, possibly as soon as 2009, that a school reunion is being organized to celebrate its five decades.

Coincidentally, as the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board was moving toward closure, former student Donna Rusaw was gearing up to hold a reunion.

At the first meeting of former students, teachers and administrators, June 5-7, 2009 was set as the weekend.

In a press release issued after the March 6 meeting, Ms. Rusaw commented, "Just like the school, the first meeting for the South Cramahe Public School Reunion was small, mighty and full of spirit".

Close to 30 people showed up representing all five decades, and she had a sheaf of papers from others who have promised their support and participation.

"Lots of positive ideas were discussed," Ms. Rusaw says. "Committee structures were discussed and job descriptions will be established for such positions as chair

person, secretary, treasurer, social committee, membership/ invitation, website/promotion, the liaison with the board of education, history, memorial, photography, sponsorship/ funding, and teachers and staff.

"Joanne Shuttleworth has agreed to be liaison with the board of education, Kathleen Bradshaw has agreed to create a website and possible a 1-800 number, and Betty Cotter and Morris Tait will look up former teachers and staff."

Ms. Rusaw is hoping there will be team captain for each of the 60s, 70s, 80s, 90s and 00s decades, with each graduating year having a team leader. The next meeting will be on 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 1 at the Keeler Centre.

"We hope more people will be able to attend to further discuss the committee structure, event possibilities, and create a momentum to spread the word to as many classmates as possible," Ms. Rusaw says.

At the third meeting to be held in May, nominations will be made to fill positions.

Looking positively as her latest venture, Ms. Rusaw states, "Lots of work, lots of hands, end result, lots of fun. Hope to see you all on April 1."

Birth

McGlennon - Dave and Jen
McGlennon are thrilled to
announce the birth of their son
David Duncan on
Thursday, February 14, 2008
(Valentine's Day) weighing
8lbs 8 oz. David is welcomed by
big brothers Gage and Matthew
and very proud grandparents
Dave and Sharon Monk of
Peterborough and Duncan and
Betty McGlennon of Colborne.

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