

Regional Workshop eNEWSLETTER

Spring 2008

Upcoming Regional Workshops — Mark Your Calendars!

Happy Valley-Goose Bay: May 13-14, 2008 Marystown: May 22-23, 2008

In partnership with the Central Labrador Economic Development Board (Zone 3) and the Schooner Regional Development Corporation (Zone 16)

If you are interested in participating in either or both of these events, or if you require any additional information, please contact **Nancie Rideout** at **nancie@mun.ca** or call **709.737.7708.**

Fall 2007 Regional Workshops— 64 New Opportunities Identified

Irish Loop

The Harris Centre's eighth Regional Workshop was held in partnership with the Irish Loop Development Board (Zone 20) on November 23rd, 2007, in Bauline East.

36 people attended the Regional Workshop. The broad range of faculty, students, and staff from Memorial University, coupled with the diverse group of local stakeholders, made for an informative, educational, and rewarding experience for those involved. There were a total of 22 follow-up opportunities identified at the workshop – 11 in Social Development and Cultural Heritage, 6 in Labour Market Development, and 5 in Environment/Natural Resources.

Exploits Valley

The Harris Centre's ninth Regional Workshop was held in partner-ship with the Exploits Valley Economic Development Corporation (Zone 12) on November 23rd, 2007, in Grand Falls-Windsor.

There were over 70 participants at this workshop, and a wide spectrum of experiences and priorities were discussed. The ideas generated produced many opportunities, which are being followed up by the Harris Centre. There were a total of 42 follow-up opportunities identified at the workshop – 9 in Rural Medicine, 19 in Education/Labour Market Development, and 14 in Natural Resources.

To see the final reports for these Regional Workshops, or for more information on the regional workshops in general, please visit: www.mun.ca/harriscentre/workshop.php





(LEFT) Regional Workshops provide community members with an opportunity to share their concerns on policy issues.

(RIGHT) Participants in the Irish Loop Regional Workshop take part in a breakout session

Regional Workshops—What's in it for me?

Memorial Faculty, Students, Staff

- Identify new opportunities for research, teaching, and outreach
- Make connections with local stakeholders, experts, and champions
- Let community stakeholders know about the work you are doing in their part of the province
- Use your research and expertise to help improve the lives of people in Newfoundland and Labrador
- Avail of local knowledge and expertise
- Promote your faculty, school, or program

Local Stakeholders

- Tap into the vast amount of knowledge and expertise that exists at Memorial
- Brainstorm with Memorial faculty, students, staff on new opportunities for collaboration
- Inform University officials of the priorities in your region
- Learn more about what the University is doing in the province in terms of teaching, research, and outreach
- Build long-term relationships with faculty, students, and staff of Memorial University

The Harris Centre co-ordinates and facilitates Memorial University's educational, Research, and outreach activities in the areas of regional policy and development.