



It is amazing how sometimes certain things come together to form a remarkable event. Your Winter 2006 edition of *The Scrivener* is one of those events.



It took me back 32 years. Starting with the cover, there is Bernard, just as I first saw him in 1974, and as he was when we were on the Board together. Over

on page 3 is Marlene Nielsen, one of my articling students, large as life as always and definitely of “The Right Stuff.” As I read on, it was almost like a reunion of the Board of Directors, with Ken Sherk, George Tanco (who on one occasion took me to task in his usual gentle manner, from which I never recovered), and El Fedewich.

On page 32 is Fariborz Khasha, to whom I went for notarial services shortly after he opened his West Vancouver office. On the next page is an article by Charles Ellington, a great supporter of the old *BC Notary* magazine and probably the longest-serving BC Notary alive today—one year short of 40 years. What a remarkable man! I hope he is enjoying his retirement.

You have put so many of the people I have known and worked with into this edition, all of whom have contributed to the well-being of The Society and the notarial profession in one way or another. It has been a real pleasure to reminisce for these few moments. And, as Vern would say, “it’s a keeper.”

Thanks for producing a great magazine!

Yours truly,  
Aidan Butterfield



FYI:  
The date that my dad smoked his last cigar is incorrect. I saw him smoking a hand-rolled cigar at Christmas in 1998.  
Eileen Hoeter

Attention: Dr. Bernard W. Hoeter

Dear Bernard:

I enjoyed reading the stories about you in *The Scrivener*.



I do not think I have ever seen a professional magazine spend so much time on one person. In your case, it is well deserved.

I hope you are feeling better and look forward to speaking with you soon.

Yours truly,  
Tim H. R. Brown

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I’ve almost completed the entire issue Winter 2006 already.

I tend to read *The Scrivener* through fairly soon after it arrives in the mail. I note that a feature article, A Reverence for Wisdom, by Nigel Atkin contains a picture of a local elder.



Greg Sam

He is Greg Sam, a member of the Tsartlip First Nation, located on the Saanich Peninsula just north of Victoria. Greg is a great friend of UVic and the law school, in particular. I’ve had the opportunity to work with him and his wife Marilyn on many occasions and I have been the beneficiary of their sharing of traditional knowledge.

Heather Raven  
UVic Faculty of Law

**Correction:** Dr. Bernard Hoeter was not President of The Society of Notaries Public of BC. He capably served as Secretary of The Society from 1969 to 1986.

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