

## 150 Years of Promoting Science in Nova Scotia



February 24, 2012

Greetings,

On behalf of the Council of the Nova Scotian Institute of Science and the NSIS 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee, I extend warmest greetings to the membership during this year of celebration. The 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the NSIS will be commemorated by two special events in the spring of 2012.

As some of you may know, this has been an extraordinary year in terms of attendance at the NSIS public lectures. Many of the lectures have been filled to capacity and one of the fall lectures was repeated due to the strong level of interest from the public.

On May 7<sup>th</sup>, the Institute welcomes Dr. Bernard Lightman, Editor of the journal *Isis*, to give a public lecture at Alumni Hall, University of Kings College. Dr. Lightman will speak about the development of popular science in England in the Victorian Age. This will cap the lecture series for this year, and allow us to turn our minds to the era when Nova Scotia's early scientists came together to establish the Institute.

On the evening of May 8<sup>th</sup>, members and guests are invited to the NSIS Annual General Meeting and Banquet, which will be held at the historic Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax. We will celebrate the Institute's successes and honour two new inductees into the NSIS Hall of Fame. This is a unique and momentous occasion which you will not want to miss! We encourage you to attend and share in the festivities with fellow members.

We look forward to seeing you at both events.

Sincerely,

John Rutherford

President, Nova Scotian Institute of Science