



Mr. John David Featherstone

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“ I have been looking for Mr/Dr Featherstone for years. I only found this now. I am sad to hear of his passing, but happy that he was spirited enough to want a party instead of a funeral.

He was my grade 8 science teacher at Lancaster Public School in Malton from 1977-1978. He was my favorite teacher of all time. His voice was full of expression and character.

Science was my favorite subject. He made it interesting and engaging for me. He was more real and compassionate than all the other science teachers and professors I knew ever since. When I finished the school year, he gifted me a beautiful thermometer for my home science lab, and he gave me some owl pellets for me to learn about the diet of owls.

His PhD dissertation was “Aspects of nest site selection in three species of ducks” (1975). Back then, I did not know what a PhD was, but I ended up getting one myself. It led to a complicated career for me. January 2013 was the first year I left Canada to live and work in the U.S. Had I known about the John’s party, I would have flown back right away to attend. I am now working and living in Germany. Where life takes me next, who knows, but it will carry forth with the inspiration that John had raised in me since I was his student.

I will continue to think of Dr Featherstone and remember him as I have in all the years since 1978.

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