



ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25
FROM 5:00 TO 6:00 PM**

**AT THE
HOLIDAY INN, PETERBOROUGH**

ONTARIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

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ONTARIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

**AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
SATURDAY, OCT. 25, 2014 FROM 5:00 TO 6:00PM AT THE
HOLIDAY INN, PETERBOROUGH ON**

1. President's opening remarks
2. Minutes of the previous meeting
3. Matters arising from these minutes
4. President's report
5. Treasurer's report
 - i. Financial statement
 - ii. Endowment funds
 - iii. Appointment of auditors for 2014
6. Election of Directors
7. Next Symposia – 2015 & 2016
8. Other business
9. Adjournment

ONTARIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY INC.
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE 2013 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
CROWNE PLAZA FALLSVIEW HOTEL
NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO
OCT 26, 2013 AT 4:30 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Neal Ferris, President
 Sheryl Smith, Vice-President
 Jim Montgomery, Treasurer
 Chris Dalton, Director
 Meagan Brooks, Director
 Grant Karcich, Director
 Lindsay Foreman, Director
 Robert MacDonald, President-Elect
 Peter Popkin, Director
 Bill Fox, Director
 Lorie Harris, Executive Director

REGRETS:

John Sleath
 John Moody

There were 26 members in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER:

President Neal Ferris called the meeting to order and expressed his thanks to the Organizing Committee for hosting a very successful conference so far.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

Upon motion (Eva MacDonald, Tom Mohr) the minutes of the 2012 annual business meeting were approved with one change. Member Norma Knowlton pointed out that the dates listed for this conference were in error; should be Oct. 25-27.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES:

No matters were identified.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Outgoing President Neal Ferris noted that the next issue of *Ontario Archaeology* is in press. He also noted that the Annual Report was made available in advance of the meeting and was advertised in the Sept./Oct issue of Arch Notes, as was requested at last year's meeting, and is also available online.

He also commented on the diversity of opinions and views of members. He used the phrase "The OAS is..." as a touchstone for him and the OAS community at large. We have a greater sense of ourselves and what our capacities are.

Neal also mentioned the Not for Profit Corporations Act. He has heard concerns from members about the implementation of the Act, but is convinced the OAS is well placed to make those changes, and he reminded the members that we have a three year window to do it. Our Letters Patent were granted in the 1950s and the Constitution

is in need of some coordination to match the Letters Patent.

Finally he mentioned the Board had increased the Society's liability insurance coverage so that more public events could be covered. He cited examples this summer of three projects: Timmins Martelle Heritage Consultants work in London on the Fugitive Slave Chapel, Dr. Chris Watts' work on a site in Windsor, and the continuing work that the Huronia Chapter was doing with Dr. Alicia Hawkins of Laurentian University at the Allen Tract in Simcoe County.

Incoming President Robert MacDonald thanked the Board for its warm welcome of him and commented that the new governance structure was working out well. He also thanked Neal for his guidance in transforming the OAS and for helping him in his new role.

Among new initiatives, he thought that getting in touch with a younger base of members, and engaging First Nations were two areas on which he hoped to focus. He wants to visit as many chapters as he can and feels that he brings both business experience and connections to the academic world to his new role.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jim Montgomery noted that this is his first year as treasurer. We have switched to a new accounting system, QuickBooks, that positions us well for any legal audit, and he thanked previous treasurer Jim Keron for his tutelage. Our accounting review has taken place and books are up to date. He noted that the Provincial Heritage Organization grant, at \$42 K, is our main source of income and brings about double the amount that our member fees do.

For the 2102 year, our operating income is down 2.4 % from 2011, but our expenditures were also down 2.8 % compared to 2011. Our Mutual Fund is the bulk of our assets and is split into various parts. It is at \$240 K now, up from \$234 K last year.

Jim thanked the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport for improving the efficiency of the application and approval process and said our 2013 funding has already been received.

Last year's Symposium netted about \$5 K for the Society. Subscription income to *Ontario Archaeology* was up 8 % in 2012, and we will be spending money on OA production soon.

Both he and previous Treasurer Jim Keron have concerns about our Endowment Funds. In fact, Jim Keron had written an article in 2012 Arch Notes and brought the matter to discussion at last year's Annual Business Meeting. He himself had published another article in this year's Arch Notes about the funds and made some suggestions about how they could be revised.

The main issue is that the Publication Fund has a lot of money in it and could sustain the production of OA for decades even if no

more money was ever donated to it, but other funds were being depleted (e.g. the Awards Fund was almost at zero because the Society had to buy a new stock of Emerson Silver Medals). Other funds, such as the Sonstenes Student Fund and the Future Fund, were growing only slowly.

We have had very few, if any, comments from members on proposals he suggested in the Arch Notes article. The President called for discussion. Member Hugh Daechsel asked if the new Strategic Plan had taken account of OA publication fund changes or if an analysis had been done? President Ferris commented that the OAS needs to revise the way we organize and manage our web site and online postings; it is beyond one person's voluntary time to do now. Jim Keron felt we should move money from the OA fund to the Sonstenes Fund and start issuing student bursaries and research grants, as long as we do due diligence and make sure legal aspects are covered, as it is technically a restricted endowment.

Tom Mohr asked if we could use part of the OA Endowment fund to revise and reissue the handbook for avocational archaeology. Jim Keron replied no. Dena Doroszenko asked if the intent was to cap contributions to the OA Fund. Jim Keron suggested that we should only re-direct the interest from the fund, to another fund. John Raynor asked for a definition of how restricted the funding; President Neal Ferris replied that the money can only be used for OA as a peer-reviewed publication.

Upon motion (Hugh Daechsel, Morgan Tamplin) the Board was directed to examine a range of options for capping and or reallocation of the endowment fund with the existing fund allocations including both capital and interest. Ottawa Chapter President Glenna Roberts the hope that whatever reallocation is recommended, it should be in the spirit of publications in general and be available to chapters to use as well.

The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Jim Montgomery also commented on the revised insurance policy with a higher liability limit, now at \$5 M, and his continuing research into what is covered re bodily injury. Both Jim and Neal complimented the Ministry on the transparency of the PHO application process and their requirement that the Society needs to focus on outcomes.

Upon motion (Jim Montgomery, Meagan Brooks) Thamesford Accounting was re-appointed to review the financial accounts for 2013.

Upon motion (Holly Martelle, Jim Keron) the financial statement was carried. The Board was asked to publish the budget that it approves in January each year, in the subsequent issue of Arch Notes.

Noted.

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS:

The Nominating Committee for 2013 was under the chair of Chris Watts. No new Treasurer Elect has come forward. Jim Keron has offered to serve as bookkeeper beginning 2015 and sit on a future Financial Committee, which would lessen the burden of workload for the Treasurer.

Three directors' positions are up for election, with Grant Karcich

offering to stay on the Board. Claire van Nierop is willing to stand as director and was acclaimed. The Board was directed by the membership to seek one more director as quickly as possible, and to seek a Treasurer-Elect.

NEXT SYMPOSIA:

Peterborough Chapter President Tom Mohr announced that the 2014 Symposium will be Oct. 24 – 26 at the Peterborough Holiday Inn Waterfront. There are opportunities for partnering with Trent University which is celebrating its 50th anniversary that year, and for First Nations involvement as well as with Fleming College and The Land Between collaborative.

Symposium 2015 will be in the Midland area, sponsored by the Huronia Chapter. It will mark the 400th anniversary of Champlain's arrival in the area and will take place at the Best Western Hotel in Midland. Timing will be one of the two last weekends in October 2015.

NEW STRATEGIC PLAN:

Neal Ferris noted the Board did a report card on accomplishments from the previous Strategic Plan, published in Arch Notes, and then a draft Strategic Plan was also published, but no specific feedback had been reported to him.

Upon motion (Chris Dalton, Jim Montgomery) the Strategic Plan was adopted. The Strategic Plan can now be posted on our website. Norma Knowlton commented that this plan is coherent and has definite timelines and complimented the Board on its development. She asked that the minutes of the annual meeting be available to members earlier in the year; Arch Notes co-editor Sheryl Smith promised to include them in the January – February 2014 issue after the Board has reviewed the first draft.

MOTIONS OF THANKS:

Upon motion (Jim Keron, Rob MacDonald) the conference organizing committee and volunteers were thanked for a brilliant conference and successful Silent Auction.

Upon motion (Dena Doroszenko, Jim Montgomery) thanks were extended to our Executive Director Lorie Harris for all her work with the Board.

Upon motion (Holly Martelle, Hugh Daechsel) thanks were also sent to outgoing President Neal Ferris and all outgoing directors, elected or appointed.

SPECIAL PROMOTIONS:

Ottawa Chapter President Glenna Roberts will be bringing information forward to the Presidents' meeting about Archaeology Month in the National Capital Region, and encouraged all chapters to embrace the opportunities for great partnerships. Adjournment.

Upon motion (Holly Martelle, Tom Mohr) the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 5:57 pm.

*Notes taken by Sheryl Smith,
Vice-President*

PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR 2014

As I write this, we still have a quarter of the year to go, including our much anticipated annual symposium, so it seems a bit premature to be summarizing activities for 2014. Nevertheless, and in spite of the many items still on the 'to do' list, I welcome this opportunity to highlight some of our activities and achievements so far this year.

First I would like to once again offer my thanks to the members of the Executive Board who have been such a tremendous help to me this year. In particular I would like to recognize the assistance of Past-President Neal Ferris, Vice-President Sheryl Smith, Treasurer Jim Montgomery, and Executive Director Lorie Harris, who have guided me so well through my first year as President. I also wish to thank returning Directors Bill Fox (Avocational Services), Chris Dalton (Chapter Services), Peter Popkin (Heritage Advocacy), Lindsay Foreman (Membership Services), Grant Karcich (Publications), as well as our editorial leads Chris Ellis (Ontario Archaeology), Sheryl Smith and Carol Stimmell (Arch Notes), and Jean-Luc Pilon (web site) for their on-going dedicated and dependable service.

Similarly, I would welcome and thank our newest Directors, Dana Millson (Membership), Claire van Nierop (Public Outreach), and Nicole Brandon (Student Services), who have already distinguished themselves in their new roles on the Executive Board.

Finally, I wish to offer a special welcome to my long-time friend and business partner, Debbie Steiss, who has joined the Executive Board this year in the role of Treasurer-Elect. This is undoubtedly the Board position with the greatest technical requirements, and having an experienced financial manager of Debbie's calibre waiting to take the reins from Jim Montgomery's most-capable hands next year is a huge relief.

In the following pages, you will have a chance to read about some of the work these fine folks have accomplished this year, although their contributions extend far beyond the information contained in these highlights. As a business person who also has over a decade of experience in the volunteer sector, I appreciate how critical the day-to-day administration is for the effective operation of the organization. The OAS is privileged to have funding for a part-time, paid administrator who manages the routine operations of the society. Our constitution defines the holder of this position as the 'Executive Director' in recognition of the importance of the role to the management of our organization and the fact that the individual is appointed as an ex-officio member of the Executive Board. We are most fortunate to have Lorie Harris as our current Executive Director, for she brings a level of experience, capability, and above all dedication to the job far beyond what one would expect in a part-time staff person.

At the same time, though, I see it as my responsibility, and that of the Executive Board, to ensure that Lorie has available to her the best possible tools, skills, policies, and procedures to facilitate the effective and efficient performance of her job. Necessarily, this will

always be a work in progress, as technology and the requirements of the OAS continue to evolve, but we have been trying our best. So far this year we have implemented a number of technological and process improvements at OAS HQ, with many more to follow.

One of the first was the implementation of a more reliable computer backup system, including off-site storage of critical data files. This was closely followed by phasing out of the secondary computer, an obsolete desktop model well over 10 years old, and its replacement by the current primary laptop computer. The primary computer was replaced by a newer laptop, and the security software on both computers was beefed up. Bugs in the wireless network were also sorted out, and Lorie was set up on Skype to allow her to communicate more effectively with Executive Board members.

Monitoring and up-grades to the computer system continue, and we are currently exploring options for having a third-party service provider take over the on-going IT support responsibilities. While historically these tasks have fallen to knowledgeable Executive Board members, we believe that the significant fiduciary responsibility we have to maintain the security and integrity of important organizational and membership data can no longer be met through occasional and ad hoc support. This is one of the reasons why we have been moving forward with the implementation of our new on-line membership management system, which employs a subscription-based software package and data hosting service called Wild Apricot. This system is designed specifically for organizations like the OAS, which are looking for something that can easily handle a range of tasks without the need for more than basic technical knowledge.

None of this would be possible without the funding we receive annually from the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport through a Provincial Heritage Organization (PHO) grant. This was the first year I was involved in the increasingly complex application process, so I was more than happy to follow the lead of our experienced application compilers, Jim Montgomery and Lorie Harris. Debbie Steiss was also looking over our shoulders as we assembled our application this year, so I think we should be well prepared for tackling this huge task again next year.

Somewhat less complicated, but of no small worth, is the Student Employment Program grant we successfully applied for once again this year. We were delighted to welcome Lynna Nguyen as our student intern, and I'm sure many members followed her seven week OAS adventure via her blog posts on our Facebook page. Her time was divided between OAS HQ (Tuesday-Thursday), where she helped Lorie with various office tasks, and ASI HQ (Monday/Friday), where Debbie Steiss and Claire van Nierop supervised her work cataloguing the Donaldson library (bequeathed to the OAS) and developing various OAS public outreach tools, including web-based social media offerings (e.g. Facebook, Twitter, web-site), new brochures, and business cards. What a tremendous asset to the OAS she was and we hope to keep her involved to

whatever extent possible in the future!

A third MTCS grant application, which I prepared together with Bill Fox, was aimed at funding two related avocational archaeology initiatives. The first was the up-dating of the OAS avocational archaeology manual, the third edition of which is now more than a decade old. The second was a pilot project to document and seek long-term curation for one or more extant archaeological assemblages currently in a private collection. Although well received by MTCS staff, the discretionary funding for such an application was impacted by the provincial election call. We remain hopeful that another opportunity will arise in the near future.

In addition to my focus on operations and fund-raising efforts, I have been pursuing several strategic initiatives as directed by both the five year plan ratified last fall as well as by the fundamental aims of the society. I was particularly pleased to be involved in some of the planning for the re-launch of the Grand River Chapter, which received its new charter at the beginning of this year.

As we continue to study the analysis of OAS membership trends carried out by Dana Millson, and reported in the July/August 2014 issue of Arch Notes, we have been trying to identify geographical areas which are under-served by our current chapter structure. Chris Dalton, who was the driving force behind the Grand River Chapter re-boot, already has his eye on this ball, and I look forward to working with him further on this front in the coming months. Under-served demographic sectors are another target of this work, and in the May/June issue of Arch Notes I highlighted student recruitment and retention as a priority. Towards this end, I have been working to establish an academic advisory group to provide a strategic connection with both students and teachers of Ontario archaeology and to establish and maintain an on-going dialogue with the academic sector of our discipline. My intention is for this to support the student engagement activities of Nicole Brandon and Dana Millson.

Nor am I forgetting about so-called Third Age education, the desire of an increasing number of retirees in our society to pursue the ideal of life-long learning. I was pleased for an opportunity to provide a lecture to one such group in Waterloo last spring, and I see this as a tremendous un-tapped resource for exchanging knowledge. I even had people in the audience pulling locally discovered projectile points out of their pockets! So you never know where you might run across somebody with an important story to share.

Our public outreach initiatives in the last few years have been growing tremendously, and the transition from Meagan Brooks to Claire van Nierop in this portfolio has been virtually seamless; indeed, given the number of great Facebook posts that Meagan still provides, it sometimes seems like she is sharing the job with Claire! This is one of the great things about social media—it is social! So Claire has been able to leverage the talents of several members as well as our student intern, Lynna, to help her with the task of keeping an active flow of interesting posts going on Facebook and now Twitter. This work, along with the web-design work that Lynna did under Claire's direction, will continue to keep the OAS profile high on the increasingly cacophonous world-wide web.

My personal outreach efforts have been directed both internally and externally. In regards to the former, I have made an effort to attend a number of chapter events, including a presentation by Publications Director Grant Karcich to the Toronto Chapter, several meetings of the Grand River Chapter, the May book launch for Charlie Garrad's magnum opus on the Petun, and the annual overnight camp and following public archaeology day at Bonnechere Provincial Park organized by the Ottawa Chapter. I also helped to organize and operate (with much help from Lorie Harris, Sheryl Smith, Lindsay Foreman, Deb Pihl, Margaret Ann Fecteau, and numerous other OAS members) the OAS table at the Canadian Archaeological Association (CAA) symposium in London, a joint effort with the London Chapter. On the Sunday after the symposium, I also participated (with Lindsay Foreman and Debbie Steiss) in the public archaeology day organized by the London Chapter. My next planned chapter event will be the annual symposium hosted by the Peterborough Chapter, and I look forward to checking in with as many chapters as I can in the coming months.

Externally, I was pleased to represent the OAS at the Lieutenant Governor's Ontario Heritage Awards ceremony last February. In March I attended a stakeholder consultation workshop hosted by Heritage Toronto to provide input for their up-coming State of Heritage Report to Toronto City Council. In May, with Sheryl Smith, I attended a meeting of provincial archaeological societies during the CAA meeting in London. In June, I met with Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport officials Blair Rohaly (Manager, Archaeology Program Unit) and Jim Sherratt (Team Lead—Archaeology) for an informal chat regarding matters of mutual interest and concern. I am currently slated to attend a similar range of events in the coming months, each with the objective of helping to support our public outreach and heritage advocacy mandates.

One of the biggest challenges that the Executive Board has been dealing with this year, in concert with our Editorial Board, has been the long-term direction and format of our publications. I reported on detail about this in the March/April issue of Arch Notes, and attended subsequent meetings in April and May to brainstorm solutions to particular issues outlined in that message. Although I have not yet had time to map out a detailed action plan, I believe we now have a much better sense of where we need to head, and I look forward to sharing that with you before long. In conclusion, I now have a much better appreciation for how short my two-year presidential mandate actually is, given how quickly it seems to be flying by. Thankfully, under our new governance structure, I was able to spend a year learning the basics so I could hit the ground running and not have to be trying to catch up with incumbent members of the Executive Board.

And while I still occasionally feel like I'm lagging behind, I feel like I'm starting to hit my stride and look forward to continuing to moving forward on our strategic plan and other important projects through 2015.

Rob MacDonald
President

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2014

This report will give an overview of the financial results for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2013 and some information on trends and activities during the current year that affect the financial position of the OAS.

Comments on the financial results of the year ending December 31, 2013:

Accounting records for 2013 have been reviewed and approved by the independent accounting firm of Thamesford Accounting and Financial Services. Their examination letter is included in this package.

Total revenue from memberships, grants, Ontario Archaeology subscriptions, symposium and donations was in excess of all expenses by \$2,513, a modest increase over budget which had forecast a small deficit. Income was above budget in 2013 due to net income from the symposium in the amount of \$5,849. On the other hand, expenses were higher than budgeted due to the one-time cost of casting Emerson medals for future use, and the high cost of OA production for Volume 92.

Market value of the investments, held in mutual fund funds by the Royal Bank of Canada was \$258,121 at the end of the year (an increase of about 10% over the book value at December 31, 2012). After the year end, the auditors determined that \$12,492 of additional revenue realized from the investments was to be added to income for the year, resulting in a combined net income of

\$15,005.

Comments on the preliminary financial results for the year 2014 to date:

Part of the surplus generated from 2013 operations was applied to outreach events in 2014, including the OAS presence at the CAA conference and the launch of Charles Garrad's publication. For the 2014 fiscal year, gains resulting from the mutual fund investment will be directed to the Sonstenes Student Fund and the Awards Fund, in order to help boost their value and in turn provide funding for student bursaries and the costs of annual award presentations.

The OA publication Fund and the Future Fund are secure for the long term.

The Peggi Armstrong Fund is organized by the Ottawa Chapter, but the Society does direct designated donations there as well.

Members are encouraged to contribute to the underfunded endowment options (i.e. Sonstenes, Armstrong, Awards) when renewing their memberships.

Please see the table below for Endowment Fund values at June 30th, 2014.

A trend in 2014 is that membership revenue is flat or declining slightly, although Chapter memberships are at about the same level or increasing (with the addition of the Grand River Chapter). With implementation of the new membership database software, an updated website, and creative initiatives to tap into social media, the

OAS ENDOWMENT FUNDS

		SONSTENE STUDENT AWARD	AWARDS	OA PUBLICATION	FUTURE
2013	<u>Starting Balance</u>	\$12,406	\$4,133	\$163,820	\$93,565
	Donations added	1,009	80	678	2038
	Withdrawn	0	-3,638	0	0
2013	<u>Ending Balance</u>	13,415	575	164,498	95,603
2014	<u>Starting Balance</u>	13,415	575	164,498	95,603
	Donations Added to June 30	11	132	54	307
	Withdrawn to June 30	0	0	0	0
2014	<u>June 30 Balance</u>	\$13,426	\$707	\$164,552	\$95,910

(increase in the market value of mutual fund investments is not included)

OAS will be in a good position to raise its public profile and to both attract and retain members.

Symposium revenue and expense will not be processed through OAS Inc. books this year as the Peterborough Chapter is organizing the event (last year the OAS Board was the organizer). Any net profit will be shared between the organizing Chapter and the Society as a whole, as has generally been done in the past.

As this is the last year of my term as Treasurer, I would like to

thank Lorie Harris and all the members of the Board of Directors for the privilege of working with them to serve the OAS membership and to help further the aims of the Society.

Congratulations to Debbie Steiss on her transition to Treasurer in 2015. The Society will be in good hands.

Jim Montgomery
Treasurer



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August 6, 2014

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Dear Members of the Society

Re: Fiscal Year End December 31, 2013
Examination of Records

This letter is to notify the reader that the records provided by the representative for the Ontario Archaeological Society have been examined for the above noted period.

During the examination process, we ensured the bank balanced to statements, and all balance sheet items were correct. We examined a selection of cheques to ensure proper recording, and traced amounts claimed by members to original receipts. We also verified a selection of deposits to source documentation.

Overall we found your records to be well documented, but, would offer the following suggestion:

- 1) Upon reading the organizational by-laws, we have noted that they imply the use of fund accounting, as well as accounting for not-for-profit organizations. As we have mentioned in the past, these accounting policies are especially important for those organizations seeking government grants. The organization is not currently employing these policies and should you require an audit, it is likely that current methods/policies would not be sufficient.

In addition we have discussed and made some minor suggestions for record keeping improvements with the representative.

After completing the examination of the documentation provided, nothing has come to our attention that would cause us to consider these records misleading.

If you have questions, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Darrell K. Dobbie

October 25, 2014

The Ontario Archaeological Society
Statement of Operations
 January through December 2013

	Accrual Basis	Jan - Dec 13	Jan - Dec 12
Income			
Membership Fees	\$	18,946	\$ 19,093
PHO Grants (note 1)		42,000	42,000
SEP Grant		2,785	2,785
Symposium Registration		15,917	13,957
Symposium Corporate Donations		4,570	2,550
Symposium Individual Donations		610	805
Symposium Grants		0	500
Symposium Other Income		1,504	0
Sales		203	329
Other Income		391	332
Chapter Fees		4,870	3,794
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME		91,796	86,145
OA SUBSCRIPTION INCOME		4,687	4,836
Endowment Fund Income:			
Life Membership		800	0
Future Fund Donation		2,038	398
OA Pub Fund Donation		678	520
Awards Fund Donations		80	100
Student Scholarship Fund		1,009	2,115
Peggy Armstrong Fund Donations		171	138
TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUND DONATIONS		4,776	3,271
TOTAL INCOME		101,259	94,252
Expenses			
Salary		39,397	39,291
Rent		6,009	5,891
Insurance		4,216	4,351
Audit Fees		467	780
Travel Mileage		0	17
Telecom		2,249	2,051
Office Supplies		558	720
Postage		1,184	1,172
Office Equipment		0	79
Bank Charges		858	640
Depreciation		0	163
Annual Business Meeting Expense		1,819	1,195
PayPal Fees		572	385
Promotion Expenses		34	1,090
Grants Awarded		0	625
Web Site Expenses		1,491	2,708
Symposium Expense		16,384	13,006

Annual Business Meeting

The Ontario Archaeological Society Balance Sheet

As of 31 December 2013

	<u>31 Dec 13</u>	<u>Cash Basis 31 Dec 12</u>
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank (note 1)	\$ 55,386	\$ 8,454
Petty Cash	150	0
Total Chequing/Savings	<u>55,536</u>	<u>8,454</u>
Other Current Assets		
RBC Mutual Fund	230,836	218,344
HST Receivable (note 2)	6,588	6,091
Account Receivable	450	42,807
Prepaid	4,285	2,986
Total Other Current Assets	<u>242,159</u>	<u>270,228</u>
Total Current Assets	<u>297,695</u>	<u>278,682</u>
Other Assets		
Office Equipment (note 3)	0	1,312
Accum Depreciation-Office Equip	0	-1,312
Total Other Assets	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>297,695</u></u>	<u><u>278,682</u></u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Pre-Paid Membership Dues	6,633	5,530
Pre-Paid OA Subscription	1,551	1,332
PHO Forward Accrual	6,500	0
Pre-Paid 2014 Outreach	988	0
Account Payable	0	4,798
Total Other Current Liabilities	<u>15,672</u>	<u>11,660</u>
Total Current Liabilities	<u>15,672</u>	<u>11,660</u>
Equity		
Retained Earnings	267,021	256,041
Net Income	15,003	10,980
Total Equity	<u>282,024</u>	<u>267,021</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 297,696</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 278,681</u></u>

Notes: 1 PHO grant for 2012 received Jan 2013
 2 Receivable reduced in 2014
 3 Office equipment fully depreciated

DIRECTOR REPORTS

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A highlight of the New Year was the formation of the new Grand River Chapter. We are proud to announce the Chapter Charter was issued on January 15, 2014. The Chapter will serve a thriving region in southern Ontario, expanding the work of the OAS. We are looking forward to many archaeology students from both Waterloo and Wilfred Laurier Universities participating. Congratulations to all of you and we look forward to the many years of Chapter success.

Communications with OAS Members and the general public are daily occurrences for the OAS office. We communicate and exchange publications with other provincial archaeological and

2014 OAS MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS AS OF SEPT. 24, 2014

Individual	109
Individual with OA*	235
Student	23
Student with OA	28
Family	15
Family with OA	30
Life	61
Honorary	2
Institutional	53
Total Members	556

* Note OA: *Journal Ontario Archaeology* published by the Society

participate in community events raising awareness about archaeology in Ontario and the work of the Society. Throughout the year the Chapters communicate regularly with the provincial office. Members of the Toronto Chapter continued to mail Arch Notes to OAS Members bi-monthly at the provincial office. The Ottawa Chapter handles the mailing of *OA*, the journal of the society. Compensation to these Chapters assists in their fund-raising initiatives. The Peterborough Chapter has been working hard throughout the year on coordinating the 41st annual Symposium of The Ontario Archaeological Society to be held October 24th-26th at the Holiday Inn Waterfront, Peterborough Ontario.

An on-going goal of the OAS strategic plan is the further development and enhancement of the OAS website. The website promotes Ontario archaeology and the work of the Society's members within Ontario, Canada and other countries. Website

heritage organizations across Canada. Our head office provided assistance on Ministry guidelines, field school opportunities (volunteering/employment), local artifact discoveries, locations for analysis, and current law and ethical practice in Ontario.

The nine OAS Provincial Chapters located in different regions around Ontario play a fundamental role in the organization's growth and success. Chapters host monthly meetings, produce newsletters and special publications, run public archaeology days and

statistics collected over the past year show there were over 9,700 visits to the website by 7,500 unique visitors and of those visits 61% were from new visitors. There were 27,000 page views visited and the top pages included: membership, publications, chapters and field opportunities. Top cities in Ontario where visitors to the website reside are Toronto, London, Ottawa, Gatineau, Hamilton, Montreal, Waterloo, Kitchener and Peterborough. Thank you goes out to Jean-Luc Pilon, website editor for continuing to update and maintain the information on the OAS website and to Jeff Cardoso, our Web Technologies Specialist at SK group.

On May 27th, 2014 the OAS in partnership with Archaeological Services Inc., held a reception at Massey College, University of Toronto. The reception was to honour Charles Garrad, a past OAS president and life member of the Society, on the occasion of his new publication, *Petun to Wyandot: The Ontario Petun from the Sixteenth Century*. The publication is a result of Mr. Garrad's remarkable dedication and research over a period of 50 years. Over 100 guests attended including members of the various archaeological and heritage organizations as well as the publishers from the University of Ottawa Press.

On June 30th 2014 the Society submitted the 2014/15 Provincial Heritage Organizational Operating Grant application to the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport.

In July, the Board of Directors approved the Executive Director's contract, providing for an additional 11 month part time contract. Office hours will continue to be Tuesday to Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Also in July, the OAS was approved for hiring a summer student and received a Student Experience Program Grant from the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport. The student, Lynna Nguyen, was approved to work on-site at the OAS office three days a week and two days a week at the office of Archaeological Services Inc. Lynna was able to index the Donaldson Collection of books donated to the OAS, assist with developing new outreach materials, updating web page data and general office administration. Thanks go out to Lynna for her contribution this summer and to the Ministry for its continued support.

Volunteers play an integral part in the growth and success of the OAS. In 2014, over 9,000 volunteer hours were contributed by the members of the Society all over Ontario. A very special thank you goes out to all the members, volunteers, donors and grantors for your continued support and dedication. The OAS head office was fortunate to be assisted this year by several volunteers. Life members Norma Knowlton and Charlie Garrad continued to provide assistance for community inquiries. Chris MacDonald assisted with OAS merchandise. A very special thank you goes out to Jean Cochrane who assisted every Thursday with the processing of membership and also with a variety of clerical/archival duties. With Jean's help we improved daily operations in the office. Special congratulations to OAS member Carole Stimmell, a former Board member, and volunteer editor of the Society's Annual Business Report and co-editor of Arch Notes. Carole was named the 2014

Beach Citizen of the Year for outstanding volunteer contributions to her Toronto community.

A very special thank you to the following outgoing board members for serving on the Board of Directors: Lindsay Foreman (Director of Membership Services 2013-14), Peter Popkin (Director of Heritage Advocacy 2013-14), Jim Montgomery (Treasurer Elect 2012, Treasurer 2013/14) and Neal Ferris (2009 Director of Heritage Advocacy, 2010-13 President, Past President 2014). On behalf of all of us at the OAS thank you for your contributions.

It has been a privilege to work with the Board of Directors and to serve the Society in the capacity of Executive Director. I am looking forward to working with all of you in 2015.

Lorie Harris

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As OAS Vice-President I have been busy with a few tasks that, as they say, "keeps me off the streets!" First, it is my job to coordinate the Board meetings by sending notices, taking minutes of our bi-monthly meetings, tracking electronic motions for ratification, etc. In this, I work closely with President Rob MacDonald and Executive Director Lorie Harris along with Treasurer Jim Montgomery and incoming Treasurer Debbie Steiss. Constitutional questions are researched and tracked by me as well with 'instant recall' provided by the omniscient Neal Ferris!

Second, I was appointed as Board liaison to the OAS Symposium 2014 Committee and am co-chair for the conference with Peterborough Chapter President Tom Mohr. The dedicated group that is putting the Symposium together has been outstanding! I would like to thank Dirk Verhulst, Harry Johnson, Morgan Tamplin, Deb Mohr, Carol Johnson, Patricia Asling, Julie Kapyrka, Anne Taylor, Ellen Blaubergs and Carole Stimmell for the tremendous amount of work they have accomplished to bring the membership such a great conference in Peterborough this year.

Bill Fox as Programme Chair took on a very big task and acted as liaison for us with the special Trent 50 celebrations taking place at the same time. We will have over 45 individual presenters in seven sessions at this year's symposium. This year's theme of 'The Land Between' is a very fitting one and we have worked hard to ensure that traditional Anishinaabe cultural elements are presented that reflect the four local Mississagua First Nations. Tours, ceremonial openings and closings, and teachings all were planned to show respect for Mother Earth.

An added initiative was to develop additional public events and programming for 'Archaeology Week in Peterborough' – a first for this city. Dirk Verhulst took this task on enthusiastically.

After the conference is over I will proceed to finalize the Symposium Guidelines and Spreadsheets so that future conference organizers will have a firm foundation for planning. Since my time was mainly taken up with the symposium, my analysis of the Policies, Procedures and Guidelines document has been limited. I want to return to this task in 2015 with a view to presenting it to the membership for information at the next annual meeting. We are also

looking at similar guiding documents from other archaeological societies and adapting the best for our own uses.

Finally, from time to time the Vice-President is required to attend special events on behalf of the Board. I had the pleasure of attending the annual meeting of the Canadian Archaeological Association in May in London, Ontario. With President Rob MacDonald, I took part in a round table discussion with representatives of the other provincial archaeological associations, brought together by the CAA Executive. We agreed to communicate with each other more regularly and to share best practices. I can tell you that the OAS is the most experienced and largest society in terms of longevity and membership but we can learn much from the way other societies conduct their outreach and heritage advocacy. Rob and I also spent a great deal of time at the OAS table at the CAA meeting, and I enjoyed talking to the many delegates about our organization and activities. We also sold OAS merchandise and even some new memberships! It is a privilege to serve the OAS and I have agreed to let my name stand for Vice-President for one more term.

Sheryl Smith

DIRECTOR OF AVOCATIONAL SERVICES

Following a November 21, 2013 meeting with the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport (MTCS), I reported to the Board of Directors on January 18 of this year. There appeared to be interest on the part of Jim Sharratt and his staff to consider an OAS application for funding in support of an updated avocational handbook, and outreach related to the documentation of major private collections, prior to the passing of the former collectors. A similar outreach activity also considered would involve the documentation of collections curated by small museums across Ontario. The Board requested that a budget be developed for presentation to the Ministry.

With some input from Board members, a draft letter of request was forwarded to President Rob MacDonald for review on February 7. A considerably elaborated draft was returned on February 24, and then drafts were exchanged until the document was circulated to the Directors in preparation for the March 22 meeting. We had selected two products for the funding request to the Ministry – a revised Avocational Handbook and the old collections documentation project. At the Board meeting, considerable discussion ensued concerning the call for proposal process and deliverables related to the handbook rewrite, the curatorial implications of collection donations (a possible outcome of the documentation process), and the financial 'room' the OAS had for a supplementary Provincial Heritage Organization grant.

Subsequently, an application for \$30,000 in funding for the two projects/phases was submitted to Jim Sharratt of the MTCS by Rob MacDonald on May 14. Thereafter, I received a generous offer of support on May 23 for participation in the development of the handbook from Dr. Alicia Hawkins, and Rob had an opportunity to meet with MTCS early in June. At that time, he was informed by Jim Sharratt and Blair Rohaly that no discretionary funding was

available to them; however, that the situation could change following the Provincial election. I am attempting to arrange a meeting with Jim on another matter in early October, and will raise the issue at that time.

The only further progress has involved discussions with Fred Moerschfelder (former ACO in Haldimand County) during chert prospecting visits in June and July, where we discussed the use of his collection to initiate the OAS documentation project. Fred was most supportive.

Bill Fox

DIRECTOR OF CHAPTER SERVICES

It has been another exciting year for archaeology in Ontario. The newly resurrected Grand River Chapter began in January at the rare reserve in Blair, Ontario. Our first speaker was the president of the chapter, John MacDonald. His talk centered on the history of the rare property. The rest of the meetings for the year were well attended with many interesting speakers including Dr. Chris Ellis and Dr. Christopher Watts, to name a few.

In June, I was fortunate enough to be invited to work with the Laurier Field School in Penetanguishene, Ontario for several days. I also coordinated with John Raynor to be the June speaker for the Huronia chapter, which had great attendance thanks to the field school. The topic of my talk focused on how I began in archaeology and my interpretation of the history of the rare property in Blair.

With this visit to Huronia, I only have the Thunder Bay chapter left to visit which I hope will happen in the next year. On the agenda for the upcoming year is the possibility of new chapters being started in the Beeton area, perhaps another in the Toronto area, as well as Northern Ontario. I look forward to another fulfilling year as Director of Chapter Services.

Chris Dalton

DIRECTOR OF HERITAGE ADVOCACY

Annual report time again. The summer is coming to a close, as is my two-year term on the OAS Board of Directors. I have enjoyed participating in the lively board discussions and watching as the OAS restructures itself somewhat to become a stronger, more vibrant organization.

I will not be standing for re-election next year so everyone out there reading this with a desire to strengthen the mandate of archaeology and heritage within Ontario should put their names forward. I am eschewing a laundry list summary of heritage advocacy activities for some higher level observations of which direction(s) archaeology in Ontario should be moving in the future. One area of heritage advocacy where I think OAS can make a genuine contribution is in promoting stronger working relationships with other provincial archaeological societies. A session bringing together representatives from provincial

archaeological societies was organized at the 2014 CAA meeting by the Executive Director of the Saskatchewan Archaeological Society. I was unable to attend because my daughter had just been born but members of the OAS were in attendance and I understand the session was a success.

Inter-provincial cooperation between our societies will strengthen our own organization and lead to a stronger archaeological voice in Canada that cannot be achieved simply through the existence of the Canadian Archaeological Association, which has a different role to play.

In April, I had the opportunity to attend the Heritage Toronto Archaeology Consultation to inform the Heritage Toronto State of Heritage Report. Two new archaeology and heritage policies were adopted into the City of Toronto Official Plan on April 4, 2013. "Archaeological discoveries, and their cultural narratives, should be interpreted for the public through innovative architectural and/or landscape architectural design, public art installations, or other public realm projects associated with the site," and "The City will provide a repository and take possession of all archaeological artifacts and records of archaeological assessment activities undertaken in the City, for the purpose of maintenance, research and exhibition."

The City of Toronto is not currently in a position to apply or enforce the second policy, however now that it is within the OP the hope is that they will move in this direction slowly but surely. The first policy, on the other hand, can be applied, and the spirit of this policy should be applied more broadly across the province. Archaeology in Ontario, and in particular professional, development-led archaeology, is currently in a stage of 'preservation by record'. Numerous pieces of provincial legislation, and in particular the Provincial Policy Statement 2014, combine to necessitate archaeological assessment of most every development subject to provincial legislation. (Developments taking place within the province beyond the jurisdiction of provincial legislation such as cell tower construction regulated by Industry Canada remain problematic from an archaeological perspective.)

The standards and guidelines of archaeological recording procedures are heavily prescribed by the provincial government. While occasionally cloying, the standards and guidelines are necessary in an environment where most developers will only pay for the minimum amount of archaeological work necessary to secure their development permits. It is my opinion that archaeology in Ontario must move beyond the simple model of 'preservation by record' that is currently legislated to a model whereby development-led work 'advances knowledge and understanding' of the history of this province.

This is exactly the transition that has occurred in the UK over the past 24 years since the introduction of Planning Policy Guidance 16 (PPG 16) in 1990 followed by Planning Policy Statement 5 (PPS 5) in 2010 and the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) in 2012. The end result of archaeological work within this province must be public benefit rather than an ever larger, mostly inaccessible and isolated, repository of technical reports and individually/corporately controlled (non-public) archives (Thomas

2013). Achieving this aim will take significant legislative adjustments which will only proceed through consistent and strategically applied advocacy pressure.

I look forward to working with the OAS in a non-official capacity to help shape the future of archaeology and heritage in this province over the next several decades.

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Peter Popkin

DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP

I was accepted by the OAS board of directors as membership director at the end of January. It is the first time I have been involved with the OAS at this level and I am so happy to be on the board so that I can contribute to the good work the OAS is involved with preserving heritage in this province. In my first six months, I have settled into my role at the board meetings and have gained a good understanding of my position as membership officer within the OAS.

In particular, I have worked diligently to gain a clear understanding of current membership in relation to membership trends over the past 65 years. I did a full-scale statistical analysis of OAS recruitment since 1950, which is reported in an issue of *Arch Notes*. This has helped create a foundation to understand current trends and to determine where we should focus our attention in terms of recruitment, retention and the potential organization of new chapters.

I am now in the midst of planning some exciting initiatives this year to increase support of the OAS and archaeology in Ontario, based on the trends in the study of membership. This year, I am hoping to focus on recruitment at the undergraduate level and to create opportunities for greater involvement of students at OAS events. We will also be organizing ways to better advertise the OAS to this age group and create a better awareness of its role in Ontario archaeology. In addition, I will also be taking part at the Grand River chapter by presenting some of my own research in September.

Although I have only just begun to contribute to the OAS as a board member, I am eager to continue this work and I am excited to be given the opportunity to play a role in the promotion and preservation of the fascinating archaeology in this province.

Dana Millson

DIRECTOR OF MEMBERSHIP SERVICES

2014 has been a very busy year for the OAS board! The board's energy level was very high to start the year given the welcoming of several new board members and the extremely

successful symposium in Niagara Falls.

The board has been busy working on ways to better serve our membership as well as on implementing our strategic plan. Again this year I have been able to get to know more of you, our members, and to help encourage the next generation of Ontario archaeologists! At the Canadian Archaeological Association conference in London, Ontario in May, I met many enthusiastic people of all ages while staffing the OAS table on Public Archaeology Day. Through this experience, we were able to obtain several new members and to further spread the word about the OAS!

Our OAS Linked-In, Facebook, and Twitter pages continue to be great places to share information about upcoming events and to find examples of archaeology in your backyard. Members have been connecting with each other and discussing different archaeologically-related issues on these pages. It is great to see such interest and involvement in the local and regional archaeological communities!

One of my main duties as the Director of Membership Services is to oversee the OAS Awards and Recognition programme. This year, I have been working with the board to improve the application process for the awards as well as to develop criteria for awarding each of them. Hopefully, a more streamlined application process will encourage our members to recognize one another for their contributions to the Ontario archaeological community. This year I have also attempted to reach out to the younger members of the Ontario archaeological community to better understand their perspectives and to enlighten them about the benefits of becoming members of the society. This is the next generation of Ontario archaeologists, and it is important that we encourage their involvement in the community and society as early as we can.

I will be stepping down from my directorship at the end of this year. It has been really great serving you, our members, and I have really enjoyed my time on the board. In the meantime, please feel free to contact me at memberservices@ontarioarchaeology.on.ca with any questions or concerns you may have about OAS member services! Take care and have a great symposium in Peterborough!

Lindsay Foreman

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC OUTREACH

My position on the board officially began in January 2014, but I was already actively promoting the OAS at the 2013 Symposium, where I created the official OAS Twitter account and live Tweeted the conference. Since I have started as an OAS board member, the following has taken place:

1. I've been actively posting Facebook and Twitter updates. Strengthening our social media is very important as we go forward.
2. On May 27, I organized an event in celebration of Charles Garrad's publication *Petun to Wyandot* at University of Toronto's Massey College and co-sponsored by the OAS and ASI. It was a huge success as over 110 OAS members and friends came out to enjoy speeches by the OAS president, Dr. Robert MacDonald, one

of the book's editors, Mr. William Fox, ASI's Dr. Ron Williamson, and Charles himself. Representatives from the University of Ottawa Press were on hand to sell Charles' book and sold over 50 copies.

3. With a background in marketing and branding, I am actively working to update our marketing materials at the OAS. Under my supervision, the OAS summer student, Lynna Nguyen, (who has incredible graphic design skills) has planned the new OAS website and transferred content from the old site. She has also designed brand new social media/website info business cards and new brochures. She has created a unique cover photo for our social media accounts and has started a Tumblr account for an OAS blog series. We're really lucky to have her with us and are thrilled with her hard work on everything!

4. The OAS will have a table at the Royal Ontario Museum's International Archaeology Day event on October 18. We will have all of our new marketing materials there for prospective members and we're looking forward to recruiting new people!

5. In preparation for the upcoming Symposium in Peterborough, I am hoping to bring our newly designed marketing materials and our new website to show attendees the progress we've made. I am looking forward to live Tweeting the conference again and finding more volunteers to do the same to continue the momentum we have going on our social media platforms.

Going forward, I am looking into hosting more events and information days, as Charles' event was such a huge success!

If you have any ideas for public outreach, I'm always open to hearing 'em! Please send me an email anytime to claire.oas@gmail.com.

Claire van Nierop

DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS

Of the three OAS publications Arch Notes (AN), *Ontario Archaeology* (OA), and Monographs in Ontario Archaeology, we are on schedule this year with our bi-monthly newsletter publication Arch Notes, thanks to the editors, Sheryl Smith and Carole Stimmell. At the July Board meeting discussions took place for a fee reduction for those who subscribe to electronic version of Arch Notes, so that cost savings to the Society could be passed on to its members.

In recent years, *Ontario Archaeology* has either published one or to two issues per year. Try as we might, we could not get an adequate number of article submissions to continue to produce two issues per annum. As of early August 2014, *Ontario Archaeology* is two years behind in its publications, but that should shortly be resolved according to Chris Ellis, OA editor. The last issue released was no. 92 covering the needs for a publication in 2012, though it was printed in the Fall of 2013. Since our printer in Ottawa, Solisco Tri-Graphic, increased our production costs, issue no. 92 was printed at Webcom in Toronto. Our previous layout editor, David Robertson, after many years of volunteer service, could no longer continue editing our journal. The layout for issue no. 92 was handled commercially by George North Design of Peterborough.

Ellis is currently working on issue no. 93 of *Ontario Archaeology* entitled the 'Archaeology of Northeastern Ontario' which is our publication for 2013 and it is currently being edited with a good probability that it will be out to the membership this Fall. This upcoming issue is over 200 pages long containing an introduction from Alicia Hawkins and Bill Fox, plus a profile of an early Ontario archaeologist by Mima Kapches.

For OA No. 94 (2014) three more journal articles are available and once they are edited and completed *Ontario Archaeology* is projected to be back on schedule. The initiative to speed up the publication of OA came from our July 20, 2013 Board meeting when a directive was issued for a review of OAS publications requesting a "review current publications, other regional organizations, [as to] how they provide info and communication... and to report by January 2014." In January a review was submitted to the Board entitled, "OAS Publications Review Report with suggestions from Canadian and American archaeological organizations."

This report was the result of contacts with Canadian and U.S. societies and a look at their publications and editing processes. Some the recommendations of the review are in line with the OAS Strategic Plan 2009-2011 and our current strategy. The recommendation for the Monographs in Ontario Archaeology series is to use this irregular OAS publication to publish those articles of sufficient length that cannot fill issues of *Ontario Archaeology*. Since content is scarce for OA, we do not know when a new Monograph series will be published in the future.

Our publication problems stem from not producing the OA journal on schedule. OA has suffered from delays in publication due to reduced submissions, unforeseen author delays, and layout and printing issues. In some years we have not published on time due to lack of content and because articles were bogged down in the editorial process longer than anticipated. However, the positive results are that the journal goes through an editorial board peer-review, a rigorous edit, abstract translated into French, and a printer's layout. The lengthy process had resulted in issues being completed a year or more after they were due. Various suggestions have been generated from OAS members and other archaeological organizations that could be used to remedy this situation. At least 15 of the 46 archaeological organizations reviewed publish their journals annually, whereas, only six of these organizations publish journals bi-annually. In March of this year, an OAS task group resolved the OA numbering issues to make them come in line with our current expectation to only produce one issue per year starting with issue no. 93.

The feedback gathered in the review from other archaeological institutions has been collected to improve OAS publications, in particularly, *Ontario Archaeology*. Recommendations include eliminating the editorial review process and giving editorial control to the editor; train a OAS volunteer in the use of layout software; publish longer book reviews; republish past articles with updated information; publish summaries of Canadian theses; and to publish more CRM field work reports. OAS President, Rob MacDonald, has taken the initiative at the Canadian Archaeological Association

annual meeting in London this last May, to have discussions with various parties on how to improve OA. As Rob mentions in the March/April 2014 issue of Arch Notes, the OA number of pages has decreased over most of the last two decades and the contribution of CRM archaeologists submitting to OA is at 42 per cent. OAS is looking at ways to improve OA and one of these initiatives came at the May meeting of the Board when I recommended that we consider new submissions to *Ontario Archaeology* to be published without peer review in order to speed up the publication. [This matter is still under review by the OAS Board – Ed.]

Grant Karcich

DIRECTOR OF STUDENT SERVICES

I joined the OAS Board in January 2014. My role as Director of Student Services is to engage with students, encourage their participation in the OAS, and promote the Student Paper/Poster Competition at the annual symposium.

I was thrilled to see many Ontario students attend the Canadian

Archaeological Association's conference in London this past May. The CAA conference was a great venue to meet students and get a taste of the research being done by archaeology students in the province. Once the OAS symposium sessions were determined later in the summer, I enlisted the help of my new student contacts to help spread the word about the symposium – I've been told that the student response to the call for papers was excellent!

In the coming months I'll work with fellow Directors to encourage student membership in the OAS. I'll also update the Ontario Archaeology Theses Database. This searchable database is a fantastic resource for students, researchers and professional archaeologists. You can link to the database by selecting OAS Resources on the OAS home page.

If you would like to recommend any additions or revisions to the database, or would like to contact me regarding student participation in the OAS, you can find me here: students@ontarioarchaeology.on.ca. I look forward to seeing you in Peterborough for the 2014 Symposium!

Nicole Brandon

2014 OAS BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Back Row (l-r): Jim Montgomery, Grant Karcich, Nicole Brandon, Rob MacDonald, Lorie Harris, Bill Fox, Peter Popkin. Front Row (l-r): Sheryl Smith, Lindsay Foreman, Chris Dalton, Dana Millson. Missing: Neal Ferris, Claire van Nierop

October 25, 2014

CHAPTER REPORTS

GRAND RIVER

The Grand River Chapter received its charter and began in January 2014 with many new and old faces in attendance. Our first speaker was the president of the chapter, John Macdonald, who welcomed everyone to the newly resurrected chapter with a talk on the history of the *rare* property in Blair, Ontario (<http://www.raresites.org/>).

Our first meeting acted as an introduction to the new chapter where around 20 new members signed up, including students from both Wilfred Laurier University and the University of Waterloo. The chapter had speakers until May 2014 including Dr. Christopher Ellis, Dr. Christopher Watts and Dr. Robert MacDonald who spoke about their work in Ontario archaeology. After a summer break, the meetings recommenced with a talk by Dr. Dana Millson about her PhD work in the UK.

The people at *rare* embraced the idea of holding the monthly meetings at the newly renovated resource house on Blair Road, giving the chapter a permanent base. We did, however, have the opportunity to hold a meeting at the Wilfred Laurier Campus in Waterloo as well.

For more information about the Grand River Chapter and details about future speakers and events, please visit our website: <https://sites.google.com/site/grandriveroas/home>. Our webmaster, Bill Hancock, keeps our web page up to date with photos and news about upcoming meetings. We hope to soon be on Facebook and Twitter, links to both will be located on the Grand River Chapter website in the near future.

Chris Dalton

HAMILTON

The Hamilton Chapter, Ontario Archaeological Society held a series of public lectures from September 2013 to May 2014 at the Fieldcote Memorial Park and Museum in Ancaster. The attendance at the lectures varied from 10-30 people. A list of speakers and titles of talks is provided below. Some of the lectures were delivered by Chapter members.

2013

Sept. 19 : Scott Martin – The Irish Mesolithic and Investigations at Inishee Island, Co. Fermanagh, Northern Ireland

Oct. 17: Bill Fitzgerald and Helen Sluis – This Is What 100% Gets You: The Curious Left Behinds of the Just-Passing-Through Dillons of Arthur Township

Nov. 21: Bill Fox – Stories in Stone

2014

Jan. 16: Meagan Brooks and Penny Young – In the Heart of Conflict: Willowbank National Historic Site and School of Restoration Arts

Feb. 20: Bonnie Glencross – Bioarchaeology of Catalhoyuk

March 20: Chris Ellis – Investigations at the Davidson Site (AhHk-54): An Ancient Late Archaic Settlement on the Ausable River, Southwestern Ontario

April 17: Ruth Macdougall – A Bridge Too Far, Part 2: The Excavation and Preliminary Results of a Multi-Component Site in Essex County

May 22: Meagan Brooks – Down the Drain: Recent Explorations at Dundurn Castle National Historic



Hamilton Chapter display is popular during a War of 1812 re-enactment at Battlefield Park in June.

Annual Business Meeting

Site.

In addition to Chapter lectures, on Oct. 19, 2013 for International Archaeology Day, the Hamilton Chapter set up a display staffed by Meagan Brooks and other Chapter members. In the spring of 2014, Sue Bazley borrowed the Hamilton Chapter display boards for the Beyond Classrooms-Kingston program, at the Miller Museum of Geology, Queen's University that ran throughout April 2014. On May 3, 2014, the OAS Hamilton Chapter put up its display at Fieldcote Museum during the Hamilton Open Doors weekend event and two members (Meagan Brooks and Ruth Macdougall) answered questions. On June 7, 2014, the Hamilton Chapter set up a table with artifact displays at a War of 1812 re-enactment at Battlefield Park, Stoney Creek. In addition, the Chapter held a picnic at Fieldcote Museum on July 27, 2014. It was held in conjunction with an outdoor musical concert series, so the Chapter's public display on Ontario archaeology was on exhibit for interested members of the public.

Gary Warrick
President

HURONIA

As in previous years the Huronia Chapter membership has fluctuated between 25 – 30 members with about 50% overall participation in various chapter activities. We have had nine members' meetings since our last report as listed below:

November 2013: Susan Jamieson on the release of *Before Ontario*

December 2013: our AGM was deferred due to bad weather

January 2014: cancelled again due to bad weather

February 2014: we were finally able to gather for our AGM and election of officers

March 2014: we had planned on a meeting with Christopher Dalton but he was unable to attend due to weather concerns. Peter Thor jumped in the breach and gave an excellent book report on *The Once and Future Great Lake Country* by John Riley – a must read for those interested in how this country looked and what it contained well prior to the historical record.

April 2014: Jamie Hunter made a presentation on the Huron population of the 1600s

May 2014: Brian Charles a member of the Georgina Island First Nation in Lake Simcoe, spoke on the importance of wampum and wampum belts among the Ojibway over the past 400 years. This presentation was well received and needs about a two hour time slot to be fully appreciated. Next year's symposium perhaps.

June 2014: We were finally able to connect with Chris Dalton and he briefed us on his role as Director of Chapter Services for the OAS. He shared with us his experiences as an avocational archaeologist in Ontario: making an honest man out of a looter?

July 2014: At this month's meeting we welcomed Tom Mohr and Sheryl Smith from the Peterborough chapter who spoke on 'The Search for Gandatsetiagon'

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August 2014: We discussed the value of Private Collections.

September 2014: We focused on the OAS symposium that we will be hosting in October 2015. We hope to have our theme, title and some bare bones outline of our plan ready for this year's symposium to be hosted in Peterborough October 24th - 26th.

In addition to our regular activities and as a follow up with the work done by Dr. Alicia Hawkins at the Allen tract (BeGx-76). Dr's Bonnie Glencross and Gary Warrick of Wilfred Laurier U. conducted a six week field school on the site and invited the chapter members to visit and participate if they wished. We are looking forward to engaging in further efforts of Laurier U. in their projects in Huronia. In support of the field school, the chapter participated in water screening in an effort to maximize the recovery from this dig.

We also made efforts to find another site to host this year's PA event but despite Dr. Hawkins' willingness to put in the time make this happen we were unable to come up with a suitable location. Hopefully next season there will be another location.

In November 2013, we organized and hosted a National Archaeology Day event at the Huronia Museum. The event was well attended and supported by our members and some from the general public. We called on a variety of expertise from the OAS membership including Dr. Holly Martelle and Rudy Fecteau. Unfortunately, this year we have been unable to secure the volunteer hours to pull this off.

In support of our members and their activities we publish a quarterly newsletter titled 'The Pot'. We also have a webpage courtesy of the OAS doing the web hosting. Our blog has continued with less members' participation than we might have hoped for but none the less it gives us a presence online and has stimulated some public inquiries and information sharing. Our blog now averages about 2500 hits/month from all over the world. We also have a Facebook group used for meeting and public event announcements and a Facebook page that provides a better venue for posting photos and articles.

A new project that we hope to initiate this year will be aimed at documenting private collections. This year, through the persistence of one of our members and some detective work we were able to track down one major collection that has led to other collectors and a host of clues regarding the location of both known and what may be new, yet to be recorded, finds and sites.

John Raynor
President

LONDON CHAPTER

The London Chapter of the Ontario Archaeological Society had another successful year. The Chapter continues to host monthly meetings at the Museum of Ontario Archaeology every second Thursday from January to April and September to November. December is our Christmas Gathering and Annual General Meeting.

Every year on the third Sunday in July, the Chapter hosts its

annual picnic at Ska Nah Doht prior to the artifact identification clinic. Each year our members assist Karen Mattila with identifying artifacts that are brought in from the community to be identified by experts. The flint knapping team of Darcy Fallon and Chris Dalton also assisted throughout the day teaching young and old the technique of knapping. The flint knapping team also participated at the festivities during the annual powwow hosted at the Museum of Ontario Archaeology.

This past year, members of the London Chapter took part in various excavations. During the summer of 2013, Daryl Dann spent many an hour assisting Timmins Martelle Heritage Consultants (TMHC) with the excavations at the Fugitive Slave Chapel. Daryl further assisted TMHC with the excavations at Tecumseh Park in Chatham, along with Nancy Van Sas, and Stanley and Clara Wortner. During the summer of 2014, Daryl Dann, Larry Nielson, and Chris Dalton volunteered to assist Dr. Christopher Watts with the excavations at the Cedar Creek Earthworks (AaHq-2). The works of these volunteers are greatly appreciated as many of these projects would not have happened without their devotion to archaeology and preserving our history.

The London Chapter continues to produce *Kewa*, our journal publication that we print eight times a year. Unfortunately we are a bit behind in publishing our *Kewa*, as we can only continue printing it if we receive articles to publish. If you are interested in publishing an article, please contact Dr. Christopher J. Ellis, Chapter Executive.

Nancy Van Sas
President

OTTAWA

Public Outreach: Over the past year, the Ottawa Chapter OAS took part in City of Ottawa heritage events: Heritage Day on February 4, 2014, and Colonel By Day on August 6, 2013, and August 4, 2014. At a hands-on display at the Bonnechere Provincial Park camp site, on July 16, 2014, Rob MacDonald, President OAS, joined André Miller, Ottawa Chapter president, and a group of chapter members for the park's Archaeology Day. Our most recent Archaeological Road Show took place in Barry's Bay on July 14, 2013. Local people were encouraged to come see displays of artifacts and talk to archaeologists, but also to bring any items they may have collected. Leads on two early sites were recorded.

August 2013 featured an Archéo Québec initiative, Le mois d'archéologie/Archaeology Month, which crossed the Kichissippi (Ottawa River) for the first time. The cities of Ottawa and Gatineau, the Canadian Museum of Civilization, the Bytown Museum, the National Capital Commission, Heritage Ottawa, Parks Canada, the Museum of Science and Technology, the Canadian Agricultural Museum, the Algonquin of Pikwakanagan and of Kitigan Zibi and GRAO (Groupe de recherche archéologique de l'Outaouais), all were participants through displays, presentations, dig opportunities, talks and guided walks. The Ottawa Chapter, OAS, was particularly

grateful to Rudy and Margaret Anne Fecteau, who brought archaeobotany displays to the Museum of Science and Technology. August 2014 saw opportunities for the public (and chapter members) to excavate at two prehistoric sites on

On October 5, 2013, in the morning OAS and the Archaeological Institute of America celebrated International Archaeology Day at the Desmarais Building, University of Ottawa, with displays and activities, including a new one for the chapter, artefact washing, based on a donation to the chapter of bags of historic materials from a construction site in eastern Ontario. The mayor of Ottawa officially declared October 5 Archaeology Day in Ottawa and the Algonquin of Pikwakanagan brought their display of Algonquin Life to the University. In the afternoon four students gave brief reports on their summer's field experiences entitled 'From the Ground Up'; three had been in Europe and one was with Archaeological Services Incorporated in Ontario. Ian Badgley, archaeologist for the National Capital Commission, gave an illustrated presentation on depictions of indigenous peoples in early Canadian art.

The date for International Archaeology Day has not yet been established for 2014, but we hope marking it will reflect a similar cooperative approach with the institutions mentioned above and other archaeologically interested organizations. In this respect we are now planning a lecture at the Canadian War Museum along with the Archaeological Institute of America for November 18, 2014, at which Ron Williamson A.S.I. will present *Pain, Suffering and Death at Snake Hill: A Military Cemetery from the War of 1812*, with the participation of the Embassy of the United States of America.

Our web site, which includes information about archaeology in the Ottawa Valley as well as Chapter activities, is supplemented by Twitter and Face-book links. We find that distributing business cards at public events with our web-site address is an economical way to encourage people to look up further details about the chapter and OAS. We receive several enquiries from the public each month on our contact@ottawaoas.ca address.

In January 2012, the Chapter received a grant from the City of Ottawa Heritage Funding Program of \$3000. We used it to augment our supply of public outreach materials and are now accounting for it as in the terms of the grant.

Directors-at-large Ben Mortimer and Bradley Drouin presented workshops to elementary and secondary students on Ontario archaeology. André Miller continues to represent the OAS Ottawa Chapter on the Board of Directors of CHOO-COPO (Council of Heritage Organizations of Ottawa/Conseil des organismes du patrimoine d'Ottawa). A number of chapter members attended the annual symposium of the OAS at Niagara Falls, and André attended the annual forum of the Réseau Archéo-Québec in Lévis, Québec.

Chapter Activities: Speakers at our regular monthly meetings included: André Miller, Plaisance: Late Archaic in Petite Nation; Manuel Lapensée-Paquette, Deschenes Portage: 2,000 years of travelling; Joe Last, Protecting the Pink Bits: Developing the Martello Tower and its Role in the Defence of Kingston Harbour (with AIA and the Canadian War Museum); Glenna Roberts, Sites

I saw, questions I asked: an AIA tour of Peru; Bradley Drouin, Flintknapping Workshop; Jean-Luc Pilon, Since the Dawn of Time: Face to Face with Champlain; Hugh Daechsel, A Summary of Golder's Archaeological Investigations on Green Energy Projects in Haldimond County.

Our membership continues to hover between 60 and 70, about half of whom live in the immediate Ottawa area. About 20 attend our Thursday night monthly meetings and represent a core of long term supporters to accomplish our programs. At the Annual General Meeting and Seasonal Celebration in December 2013, a new executive was elected. Two President's Certificates of Appreciation were presented in recognition of exceptional contributions to public archaeology: GRAO (Groupe de recherche archéologique de l'Outaouais) Marcel Laliberté, Manuel Lapensée- Paquette and André Miller; and National Capital Commission – Ian Badgley.

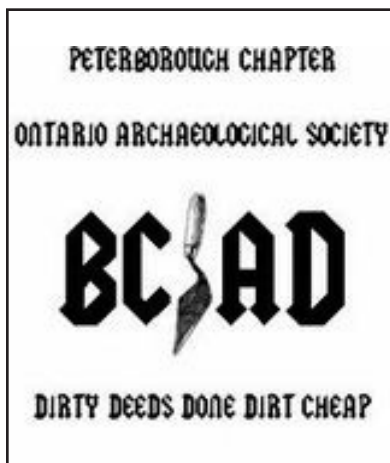
Communication with members relies on direct e-mails from the president and on the Ottawa Archaeologist newsletter, published four times per year, distributed mainly by e-mail, also available on our web-site.

The Executive for 2014 consists of President: André Miller, Vice President: Stacey Girling-Christie, Treasurer: Bill MacLennan, Secretary: Karen Lochhead, Directors at Large: Bradley Drouin, Elizabeth Imrie, Ben Mortimer Past President: Glenna Roberts, Newsletter Editor: Marian Clark, Webmaster: Yvon Riendeau, Peggi Armstrong Public Archaeology Award: Lois King. Chapter relationship with the OAS Board is strengthened by Jim Montgomery holding the position of OAS Treasurer.

Glenna Roberts
Past President

PETERBOROUGH

It should come as no surprise that much of the Peterborough Chapter's activities this year have been directed towards our hosting of the 2014 OAS Annual Symposium. The traditional conference weekend has been expanded locally to take in the week previous as well, through partnering up with various other institutions, organizations and First Nations communities.



Archaeology Week will have been officially declared by the Mayor with the raising of the new OAS flag over Peterborough's City Hall on October 20. Our hosting of the Canadian Conservation Institute's Archaeological Conservation Field Techniques workshop during that week will be the first time that this course (funded by the



Bill Fox photographs the Laidlaw map, one of the earliest of the Peterborough area.

OAS Board) will be presented by an organization, rather than an academic institution. The Peterborough Chapter is sponsoring two archaeology students from the local Mississauga First Nations to take the course, as an adjunct to their Liaison activities.

While much effort has been expended in making the 2014 symposium a memorable one, and will be discussed further in next year's Chapter report, we have still managed to maintain a busy outreach schedule. Chapter President Tom Mohr and OAS Vice President Sheryl Smith were warmly received by the Huronia Chapter with their presentation entitled The Search for Gandatsetiagon: Chasing 'Gandy.' We again took part in the Kawartha Lakes heritage symposium, Honouring the Past, and a

presentation on archaeology was given to the Visually Impaired Persons group, with the aid of a loaned Edukit.

We have also been investigating the refurbishment of one or more of these modules for use as teaching aids. A portable chapter banner was designed and purchased, with the aid of a generous grant of \$2500 from the City of Peterborough for cultural outreach purposes.

Four issues of our newsletter, *Strata*, were produced, thanks to Editor Dirk Verhulst, and our membership currently stands at 41.

Our monthly public meetings featured the following presentations:

Sept 24, 2013 – Marti Latta, 'The University of Toronto, the Warminster Site and Champlain's Cahigue: Sixty Years of Questions and a Few Answers'

October – Erik Hanson, Heritage Resources Coordinator for the City of Peterborough, in a joint meeting with the Peterborough Historical Society, 'A Public Presentation on Peterborough's New Archaeology Policy'

November – Symposium Planning Session

December – Pot Luck Dinner & AGM. Presentation by Bill Fox 'Stories in Stone'

January, 2014 – Kristen Csenkey, 'Of Chipmunks and Dogs: A Zooarchaeological Analysis from Jacob's Island.'

February – Popcorn Social for members only – the movie *Cave of Forgotten Dreams*

March – Marit Munson and Susan Jamieson, co-editors of *Before Ontario, The Archaeology of a Province*

April – Paul Racher, 'The English Tourist: Reading the Past with a Sense of Humour.'

May – Symposium Planning Session

June – Christopher Manson, photo-documentarian, 'Nine Rivers City: Photographing Toronto's Extraordinary Waterways'

Finally, we express our many thanks to the OAS Board, and to Executive Director Lorie Harris, for supporting the Peterborough Chapter in achieving another successful year.

**Tom Mohr
President**

THUNDER BAY

The Thunder Bay Chapter continues to hold regular meetings and excursions as time allows, and is happy to partner with Lakehead University Anthropology Association when we can. Highlights of activities are as follows:

On October 11th 2013, Dan Wendt (Minnesota Historical Society) presented recent work on Quarry sites on Knife Lake in the boundary waters

between the United States and Canada that he has been working on with colleagues Susan and Steve Mulholland from the University of Minnesota.

The Thunder Bay chapter and its members hosted the first International Archaeology Day on Friday November 8, 2013, with the department of anthropology at Lakehead University. The OAS chapter provided some funds to purchase some display cases to display artifacts to the general public. Several hundred artifacts were put out on display (from local to non-local artifacts) for the event. Many members were able to attend, man activity and information booths. This event was attended by over 500 people from local schools and from the university community as well.

On November 10, 2013, the Thunder Bay chapter of the OAS helped the Lakehead University Anthropology Association host their annual Flintknapping workshop. Clarence Surette demonstrated various flintknapping techniques to various members and Lakehead University students, including members of the community.

On Friday January 31, 2014, Margaret Ashley Veall (PhD Candidate at the University of Oxford), a former undergraduate student from Lakehead University, presented some of her work on quartz tools from Sri Lanka. Her work includes looking at residues of poisons on micro lithic technology, most which are made of high quality quartz. We also held our chapter elections, new committee members are posted on the OAS website.

On February 1, 2014, Clarence Surette brought members of the Thunder Bay chapter of the OAS on a field trip to visit the pictographs at Pictured Lake near Thunder Bay.

On February 28, 2014, Mr. Bill Ross (Chapter Vice-president) shared the highlights of the Palaeo American Odyssey conference he attended in October in Santa Fe, which was sponsored by the



Archaeology Graduate Student explaining how an Atlatl works to a high school student.



Artifacts on display at the Lake Superior Basin Workshop sponsored by the Thunder Bay Chapter and the University of Thunder Bay in March.

Centre for the Study of the First Americans, and was focused on the peopling of the Americas. He presented slides of several of the exhibits that were on display including the Fenn and Simon Cache, two of the better known Clovis caches, and materials from the Paisley Caves which included organics older than Clovis.

On March 14th and 15th 2014, the Thunder Bay chapter and the Lakehead University anthropology department hosted the annual Lake Superior Basin Workshop. This event was well attended by colleagues in Minnesota, Manitoba, and Alberta. We provided a display of over 1500 local and non-local comparative lithic material, and had a Paleoindian session in honour of Tony Romano (a long time supporter and attendee of the Lake Superior Basin Workshop who passed away last year) with a display of hundreds of Paleoindian artifacts from Northwestern Ontario from over 30 sites. Russell Cook (a graduate student with the department of Anthropology) presented some of his work on residues from Trihedral Adzes on Friday March 14th as part of the workshop.

We look forward to future chapter activities in and around northwestern Ontario.

**Clarence Surette
President**

TORONTO

The Toronto Chapter has had a healthy lecture series through our regular monthly meetings from September 18, 2013 to May 21, 2014. No excavations or expeditions took place in the past academic year, but we hope to have opportunities in the near future.

September 18, 2013: Dr. Amy Barron – Agatha Christie, Archaeology and Alzheimer's

A very entertaining discussion of the great mystery novelist's life

as revealed within the pages of her books. Her love of the Middle East and the life she lived with her famous archaeologist husband provided the basis for many of her greatest novels including *Murder on the Orient Express*, *Death on the Nile*, and *Murder in Mesopotamia*. And now her novels are being used to unravel the mysteries of the human mind.

October 16, 2013: Christopher Manson – Nine Rivers City: Photographing Toronto's Extraordinary Waterways

Funded by a commission from the Harbourfront Centre, part of a large group exhibition titled *NINE RIVERS CITY*, Christopher Manson spent months traveling with a group of Toronto and Region Conservation archaeologists, photographing them on their day-to-day activities. He photographed the landscape they were researching and documented the procedures they followed from their controlled digs to the cleaning and analyzing of found artifacts. The parallels between how archaeologists and documentary photographers work intrigued Manson. They both unearth hidden narratives through observed discoveries. For Manson, he brings attention to the fact that these archaeologists are constructing a narrative of our past and protecting our histories through the work they do. They both tell stories – one of the past and one of the present.

November 20, 2013: Dr. David Lipovitch – A Zooarchaeologist's Perspective on the University of Toronto's Current Excavations at Tel Ta'yinat, Turkey

Tell Ta'yinat forms a large low-lying mound located 45 kilometres east of Antakya (ancient Antioch) in Southeastern Turkey. Excavations over the past 90 years have revealed several large palaces, a temple (famously compared with Solomon's Temple), and numerous beautifully carved stone reliefs and sculptures demonstrating that the site preserves a lengthy settlement history spanning the Early Bronze (ca 3000-2000 BCE) and Iron Ages (ca. 1200-550 BCE). Numerous inscriptions in Luwian/Neo-Hittite, Neo-Assyrian and Aramaic identify the site as ancient Kunulua, capital of the Neo Hittite/Aramaean Kingdom of Patina/Unqi. Since 2004, The University of Toronto's Tayinat Archaeological Project has been excavating at the site. Mammalian faunal remains from Tel Ashkelon provide insights into a poorly understood time period at this important site.

December 12, 2013: Our annual Christmas Party, well-attended by members. A splendid feast for eyes, ears and mouth, arranged, as always, by Sylvia Teaves

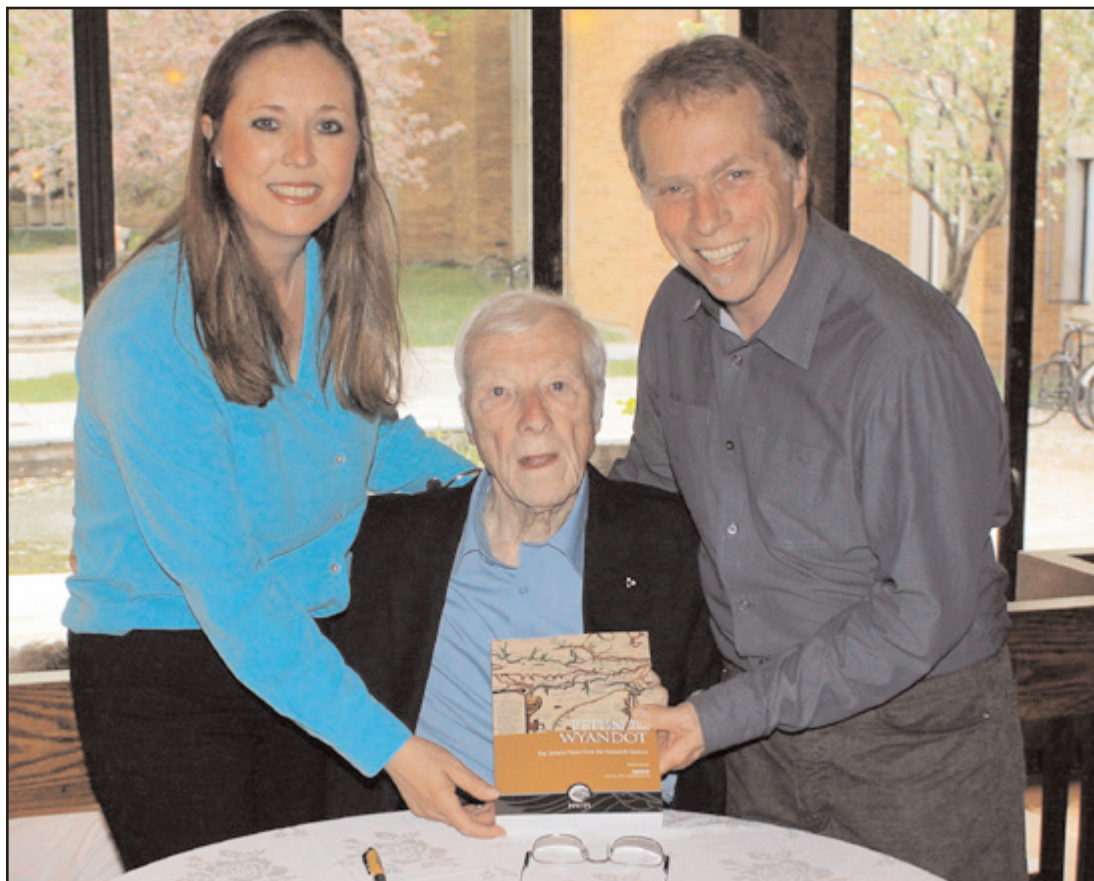
January 15, 2014: Speakers night

Mima Kapches – Spanish Adventures: Spain, South America and Easter Island, Travel Odysseys in 2012 and 2013.

Sylvia Teaves – Burial Mounds, Earthworks and Petroglyphs: Exploring Hopewell Culture in Ohio

Neil Gray – El Cano site and museum in Panama.

Charlie Garrad – Update on book launch and Petun matters



Lorie Harris, Executive Director of the OAS, and OHS Executive Director Rob Leverty congratulate Charlie Garrad at the launch of his book *Petun to Wyandot: The Ontario Petun from the Sixteenth Century*, at University of Toronto's Massey College in May.

February 19, 2014: Grant Karcich – Prehistoric and historic trails in southern Ontario with a focus on the Scugog carrying place

Many pre-European native trails connected the Lake Scugog area with other parts of south-central Ontario. In particular, the Scugog Carrying Place, which appears on a 1795 Survey Map of Whitby Township, connected Lakes Scugog with Lakes Ontario and Simcoe. Several known Iroquoian villages and ossuaries are located along the trail: the Grandview site, A.D. 1380-1420-30 and the later Macleod site. Sites to the north of the Oak Ridges Moraine, including the Uxbridge Ossuary. Washburn island site in Lake Scugog, is a multi-component site.

A site on Thorah Island in Lake Simcoe which produced historic artifacts is attributed to the Ojibwa peoples who moved into the area in the 1700s and used the trails. By 1860 Simcoe street/Reach Road still follows the line of the trail.

March 19, 2014: Jeffrey Dillane – Out of Site: Non site Approaches to Practice and Landscape Use in Trent Drainage, Ontario

The talk focused on the changing use of landscape across space and time in the Trent Valley region of Southern Ontario from approximately 3000 BC – AD 1600. The speaker examined the spatial distribution of material culture through time utilizing a non site approach. The site remains the standard unit of analysis in most archaeological research, despite the reality that sites represent a modern construct imposed on past landscapes. He proposed a new

framework for interpreting the material record, which focuses on the regional distribution of artifacts and other cultural features as evidence of practice in a space time context not reliant on the associations suggested by sites. Utilizing diagnostic artifacts from extent collections, he examined how distribution of material culture changes or remains constant through space and time, in order to understand patterns of landscape use.

April 16, 2014: Brian MacClean and Victoria Freeman – FIRST STORY TORONTO, an App developed to tell the story of the native presence in Toronto.

FIRST STORY TORONTO is a place-based exploration of people, places and issues in the 12,000-year history of Indigenous Toronto and region mapping and researching sites ranging from ancient archaeological village and camp sites to contemporary sites commemorating artists, teachers, community leaders, social agencies, public artworks, and more. The FIRST STORY app is free for those with an iPhone or iPad, or an Android smartphone. Anyone can view many of the postings on their blog <http://firststoryblog.wordpress.com/>

May 21, 2014: Prof. Bill Engelbrecht – Lessons from the Eaton Site

Between 1975 and 2000 Bill Engelbrecht directed 17 archaeological field schools on the Eaton Site in West Seneca, NY. Since his retirement in 2003 he has been analyzing data from these

excavations. He talked about some of his conclusions including a new understanding of Iroquoian palisade construction and the realization that a large number of arrow points on a site are not necessarily indicative of warfare. Gunflints from Eaton shed new light on the occupation of the Niagara Frontier in the 17th and 18th centuries.

Marti Latta
President

WINDSOR

The Windsor Chapter held four member meetings between July 2013 and June 2014, as well as three executive meetings. The member meetings were as follows:

On Wednesday, October, 2013, the Windsor Chapter members were presented with a lecture on Teotihuacan pyramids by one of our Chapter Members Leonard Everett. Mr. Everett explained about the history of the various areas Teotihuacan and Xochicalo as well as pictures of some of the famous artifacts and landmarks.

Amanda Black also shared some of the photos taken at the public dig held at Cedar Creek Earthworks site July 6th 2013.

On Wednesday, December 4th, we held our annual holiday goodie feast with hot drinks for everyone. Glen Boatman gave a wonderful presentation on the Hecklman site in North Central Ohio. The Heckleman site is an earthenworks site dated from 100 BC-500 AD. Boatman showed how they were famous for their platform pipes, then he showed us other artifacts found on site such as pottery shards, flint ridge chert bladelets, beaded necklaces, and burial finds near the Esch mounds. He explained trade routes based on archaeological finds that included silver from Ontario that was probably retrieved through the Erie Islands and probably included Pelee Island. They also found crystal from Alabama, chert bladelets that were made from material found in Indiana and Mica (a ceramic style) from North Carolina. It is quite amazing to think about how far these items traveled from all by foot.



Windsor Chapter members participate in a public dig at Cedar Creek Earthworks in July 2013.

On Wednesday, February 12th, 2014, Katherine Graham shared with us her trip to L'Anse Aux Meadows in Newfoundland and all that she has learned there and since. Very lovely landscape and amazing photos as well.

On Wednesday, April 9th, 2014, Dr. Chris Watts gave a presentation to the Chapter about his findings at the Cedar Creek Earthen works site the previous summer. The Chapter participated in a public dig and were thrilled to have Chris enlighten us on our discoveries.

Over the winter two chapter executives gave presentations to two local grade schools. The Chapter executives also designed and ordered chapter shirts that look amazing and will be included in the silent auction basket at the conference in October.

Amanda Black
President



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ADDENDUM

The following three pages have been added after the Annual Business Meeting held in Peterborough on Saturday, October 25, 2014.

The second page of the Statement of Operations for 2014, currently found on page 11, was inadvertently left out of the original ABM Board Report. Both pages of the Statement of Operations for 2014 therefore follow this notice.

During the ABM in Peterborough, a request was made to present the detailed breakdown of the various endowment funds and we thought it best to append it now rather than in a later report. That document follows as well.

October 29, 2014

The Ontario Archaeological Society
Statement of Operations
January through December 2013

	Accrual Basis	Jan - Dec 13	Jan - Dec 12
<u>Income</u>			
Membership Fees	\$	18,946	\$ 19,093
PHO Grants (note 1)		42,000	42,000
SEP Grant		2,785	2,785
Symposium Registration		15,917	13,957
Symposium Corporate Donations		4,570	2,550
Symposium Individual Donations		610	805
Symposium Grants		0	500
Symposium Other Income		1,504	0
Sales		203	329
Other Income		391	332
Chapter Fees		4,870	3,794
TOTAL OPERATING INCOME		91,796	86,145
OA SUBSCRIPTION INCOME		4,687	4,836
Endowment Fund Income:			
Life Membership		800	0
Future Fund Donation		2,038	398
OA Pub Fund Donation		678	520
Awards Fund Donations		80	100
Sonstenes Student Award Fund		1,009	2,115
Peggi Armstrong Fund Donations		171	138
TOTAL ENDOWMENT FUND DONATIONS		4,776	3,271
TOTAL INCOME		101,259	94,252
<u>Expenses</u>			
Salary		39,397	39,291
Rent		6,009	5,891
Insurance		4,216	4,351
Audit Fees		467	780
Travel Mileage		0	17
Telecom		2,249	2,051
Office Supplies		558	720
Postage		1,184	1,172
Office Equipment		0	79
Bank Charges		858	640
Depreciation		0	163
Annual Business Meeting Expense		1,819	1,195
PayPal Fees		572	385
Promotion Expenses		34	1,090
Grants Awarded		0	625
Web Site Expenses		1,491	2,708
Symposium Expense		16,384	13,006

	Accrual Basis	Jan - Dec 13	Jan - Dec 12
Outreach Expense		60	125
Other Expenses		1,433	30
Exec Board Conference Calls		318	393
Arch Notes-Production		2,197	2,159
Arch Notes-Postage		2,042	2,738
Arch Notes - Preparation		600	600
Board Meeting Expenses		119	242
Chapter Fee Payments		4,755	3,794
Total OPERATING EXPENSES		86,762	84,245
OA-Production		5,158	2,288
OA-Mailing Prep		250	250
OA-Postage		2,767	1,331
TOTAL OA EXPENSES		8,175	3,869
Endowment Fund Withdrawals			
Peggi Armstrong Payments		171	138
Awards Fund Expenditures		3,638	310
Total Endowment Fund Withdrawals		3,809	448
TOTAL EXPENSES		98,746	88,562
SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		2,513	5,690
Reinvested Income Earned (note 2)		12,492	5,290
NET INCOME		\$ 15,005	\$ 10,980

Notes: 1 Includes Web Project Accrual (2012)
 2 Gain on mutual fund investments (2013)
 3 More detailed reports are available with comparisons to budget and % changes in values

<u>OAS ENDOWMENT FUNDS:</u>	SONSTENES STUDENT AWARD	AWARDS	OA PUBLIC- ATION	FUTURE
<u>2013 starting balance</u>	\$ 12,406	\$ 4,133	\$ 163,820	\$ 93,565
donations added	1,009	80	678	2,038
withdrawn	0	-3,638	0	0
<u>2013 ending balance</u>	13,415	575	164,498	95,603
2014 starting balance	13,415	575	164,498	95,603
added to June 30	11	132	54	307
withdrawn to June 30	0	0	0	0
<u>2014 June 30 balance</u>	\$ 13,426	\$ 707	\$ 164,552	\$ 95,910

(increase in market value of mutual fund investments not included)