

# The Ontario Historical Society

## 2009 Annual Report



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## Front Cover Photographs

(Left to Right)

*Red tulips sprout every spring outside the front of the historic John McKenzie House in Willowdale, the headquarters of The Ontario Historical Society. Photo: Andrea Izzo.*

*Summer student Matthew La Rose worked diligently as the Membership and Public Outreach Coordinator and acted as liaison to the Parkview Neighbourhood Garden, a not for profit organization which developed a community garden adjacent to the John McKenzie House. Matthew is pictured with an old-style water pump, which distributes collected rainwater from an underground cistern. Photo: Andrea Izzo.*

*Autumn colours display in full force outside the John McKenzie House's second floor west bedroom. Photo: Andrea Izzo.*

*The John McKenzie House covered in a light blanket of snow. Photo: The Ontario Historical Society.*

## Back Cover Photographs

(Clockwise, from top right)

*The OHS was proud once again to participate in Doors Open Toronto in 2009. This year saw over 900 visitors from all over the world pass through the historic John McKenzie House. The OHS gave tours and information about the Society before inviting guests to visit the adjacent Parkview Neighbourhood Garden on its inaugural planting day. Photo: Matthew La Rose.*

*On Saturday, October 17th, the OHS held a workshop in Sudbury entitled Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of The Ontario Provincial Police. This workshop was hosted by The Sudbury Region Police Museum and presented in partnership with The OPP Museum, Friends of The OPP Museum and The Voyageur Heritage Network. Seen here were workshop speakers (left to right): Dorothy Duncan, Vice-President, Friends of The OPP Museum, who gave a presentation on MUSH!! Dining on the go in early northern Ontario, social history and recipes collected for the OPP's Commemorative Patrol: by dog sled, snowshoe and rail. Dorothy also brought samples to taste; Patricia Bromley, Retired OPP Staff Sergeant, who gave the presentation 'New and Uncharted Waters - Reflections on Women Joining the OPP in 1974'; Jeanie Tummon, Curator, The OPP Museum, who gave a presentation on stories behind Arresting Images: Mug shots from The OPP Museum; and Emile Lavigne, Chair, The Sudbury Region Police Museum and Retired Superintendent, The Sudbury Regional Police who spoke on Working Together. Photo: Linda Kelly*

*OHS Membership Coordinator and Office Manager Christina Perfetto attended The North York Historical Society's 50th Anniversary celebration and fundraiser held at the Miller Tavern. Pictured in the "Back to the 60s" theme garb is Christina Perfetto (left) and former OHS staff member Barbara Kane. Photo: Timothy Mikkelsen.*

*OHS Executive Director Rob Leverty (right) meets with George Lefebvre, Secretary of the new Jack Munroe Historical Society of Elk City, the OHS's ninth affiliate to incorporate in the province of Ontario in 2009 - a landmark number for the Society in its over 120-year history. Photo: Andrea Izzo*



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Greetings members and friends. I am pleased to report that 2009 has been a productive, successful year for our Society. I am happy to announce that the Society has achieved a small surplus and eliminated its debt.

I would like to thank Executive Director Rob Levery for his continued program development and outreach to heritage organizations across the province. In particular, I wish to express my gratitude for Rob's knowledge, energy and good humour which have made my tasks these past two years much easier. I would also like to thank our Office Manager and Membership Coordinator Christina Perfetto, *OHS Bulletin* Editor Andrea Izzo, and our summer students Timothy Mikkelsen, Matthew La Rose and Tharshika Krishnamoorthy for their outstanding efforts and hard work on behalf of the Society.

I must express my gratitude to the members of the OHS Board of Directors, who each brought their unique sets of skills to the organization. Thank you for all your dedication and contributions over the past year.

I would also like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank our donors and volunteers for their tireless generosity and commitment in 2009. Due to your kind generosity, donations to the OHS were double their 2008 levels. I wish to extend a thank you to the family of the late Dr. Jean Burnet, who generously donated \$25,000 from her Estate to the OHS' Cemetery Defence Fund. This tremendous generosity from Dr. Burnet and others ensures that OHS can maintain its commitment to the protection and promotion of Ontario's history.



**The OHS hosted a successful 121st AGM and Honours and Awards! Pictured above (left to right) at the John McKenzie House reception, hosted by The Friends of the OPP Museum are: Ken Turner, President, OHS; OPP Constable Guy Higgott; Jeanie Tummon, Curator, OPP Museum and Mr. David Zimmer, MPP Willowdale.**

A major highlight of the past year was our incorporation of nine affiliated societies, a record number in the history of the Society. I would like to welcome these new societies and hope that their affiliation assists them in their present and future endeavours.

In June, 2009, our society held a successful Annual General Meeting which highlighted our cooperation with The Ontario Provincial Police in celebrating their 100th anniversary. Congratulations to all the award recipients and nominees, and special thanks to the office staff and volunteers for their efforts in organizing the event. It was a pleasure to have met many friends and fellow members from across the province at the reception.

Last summer, the OHS, in conjunction with the City of Toronto and local residents, established an organic community market garden on the grounds adjacent to the Society headquarters, the John McKenzie House. The success of the garden

in bringing together neighbours and reviving local heritage highlights the important role the OHS plays in local communities all across the province.

This year, The Ontario Historical Society was host to the Reading and Remembrance Programme with the theme of "Medals and Memories" and included such themes as First Nations contributions to the military and the role of animals in the World Wars. The programme was a great success due to the strong commitment from the speakers, sponsors, participating schools and libraries.

I must express deep gratitude towards the thousands of signatories from 296 cities, towns and villages who signed a petition in support of Bill 149, The Inactive Cemeteries Protection Act, 2009. The sheer volume of support from every corner of the province provides me with great hope about the future

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## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

**H**istory is alive and well in Ontario as the reports that follow will confirm. There is an amazing amount of new energy and renewed commitment at the grassroots across Ontario to preserve and promote Ontario's history.

In 2009, the OHS could barely keep up with the emergence of new affiliated societies, while maintaining existing programmes, responding to a growing membership, improving services and launching new initiatives. The Society also managed to eliminate its operating deficit while doing more with limited financial and human resources.

Planning and presenting our educational programmes; publishing two issues of Ontario History and five editions of the OHS Bulletin; holding an Annual Meeting with an Honours and Awards Ceremony; celebrating the 100th Anniversary of the OPP; hosting events and rentals at the historic John McKenzie

House; conducting public meetings for incorporation; supporting our member organizations and implementing the OHS insurance programme were all part of our ongoing activities.

New initiatives included developing an improved website and membership programme; planning projects to commemorate the War of 1812; becoming the host organization of Reading and Remembrance; implementing the Parkview Neighbourhood Garden and launching the historic Bill 149, The Inactive Cemeteries Protection Act, 2009.

I cannot thank enough my colleagues Christina Perfetto and Andrea Izzo for their incredible hard work and dedication in 2009. Our summer students Timothy Mikkelsen, Matthew La Rose and Tharshika Krishnamoorthy were invaluable in helping us with our daily challenges.

I want to thank our Treasurer, Naresh Khosla, our accountant Sheila Berzitz, and our auditor, John Bovos, Akler, Browning, Frimet & Landzberg LLP for all their financial expertise and support this year.

I would also like to thank the entire OHS Board of Directors for the many hours and human resources that they have donated to ensure good governance for the Society.

Our thanks to the Ontario Ministry of Tourism & Culture for their financial support and in particular Kate Oxley, the Ministry's Heritage Outreach Consultant, for her continued encouragement and support in 2009.

Finally, I want to thank our hundreds of donors, scores of volunteers and dedicated members who made it all happen in 2009. It remains a great honour and privilege to work on your behalf.

**Rob Leverty**  
Executive Director

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of our campaign. Your continued donations and commitment will maintain our efforts to protect and preserve Ontario's cemeteries.

It is a pleasure for me to thank everyone who has willingly given their time and talents to further the work of the OHS. The strength of any organization rests on the support and enthusiasm of its membership. It has been a great honour to serve as your President these past two years.

**Ken Turner**  
President



The staff of The Ontario Historical Society are pictured above during the OHS's AGM in June 2009. Standing left to right are: Andrea Izzo, Coordinator of Communications; Rob Leverty, Executive Director; Christina Perfetto, Membership Coordinator; Tharshika Krishnamoorthy, Matthew LaRose and Timothy Mikkelsen, OHS summer students. Many thanks to the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Culture for funding through the Student Experience Program – our summer students worked diligently on many projects such as the Parkview Neighbourhood Garden and a re-organization of the office filing system.





## TREASURER'S REPORT and DONATIONS

At the end of 2009 The Ontario Historical Society had a strong financial position and a positive operating result. In 2009, the Society did not receive a grant from the federal government (2008-\$15,672) for the publication of our scholarly journal *Ontario History*. This resulted in a deficit for *Ontario History*.

The operating results showed a small surplus of \$548. This was achieved by severe cost reductions and control of all expenses. The provincial operating grant of \$242,000 was the same as in 2008. The provincial operating grant

was reduced in 1996 and has not increased since then. Staff has been reduced to a minimum level and are very overworked. Unless funding is increased to hire more staff it will be difficult for the society to deliver its mandate and carry out its mission, particularly the support required to fulfill the obligations concerning the needs of our 326 affiliated historical societies; manage the recent and rapid growth in the Society's membership and maintain existing programmes.

**Naresh Khosla**  
Treasurer

Donations to the OHS in 2009 amounted to \$28,874, up from \$11,466 the year before. Of this, \$5,340 was donated to the Cemetery Defense Fund. We would like to recognize Dundurn Press for a donation of \$10,452 and Ontario Power Generation for its donation of \$5,000.

The Society would also like to thank the many volunteers, across the province, who generously donate their time, skills and financial resources to the cause of history and heritage in Ontario.

**Bob Leech**  
Donations

## MEMBERSHIP

For the past 10 years I have had the pleasure to work as the Membership Coordinator and Office Manager for The Ontario Historical Society.

I would like to welcome all of our new members and hope that they will make the most of your membership. As you know, the new membership program software linked with our website is now available for you to use. I hope that you will enjoy the service and with your feedback we will be able to continue to improve it and provide you the best service we can offer. To learn more, please see the Communications

Report on page 11 or visit [www.ontariohistoricalsociety.ca](http://www.ontariohistoricalsociety.ca). I would like to thank Virtuo.ca of Ottawa for their guidance in implementing this new system.

Through your membership fees and generous donations of funds and volunteerism we were able to reach out and provide our service to the entire province of Ontario.

In particular, the 2009 AGM event was a great success, thanks to those who donated their valuable time for the planning of this event, your ideas and help make all the difference.

Finally I want to take this opportunity to thank all our Board Members for the many hours that they have donated during the past year. A special thank you is due to Rob Leverty, our Executive Director, for his incredible leadership, and my colleagues Andrea, Timothy, Matthew and Tharshika for their collaboration and hard work.

Best wishes for a great summer, ciao!

**Christina Perfetto**  
Membership Coordinator  
and Office Manager





## OHS INSURANCE PROGRAMME

In response to the needs and growing concerns of our membership, the OHS in co-operation with JONES DESLAURIERS Insurance Management Inc. launched, in April 2008, an insurance programme for our members. Any historical organization in Ontario that is a non-profit corporation and a member of the OHS "in good standing" is eligible to apply for General Liability Insurance and/or Directors and Officers Liability Insurance.

As of April 30, 2010, the OHS has reviewed and approved over 81 non-profit corporations for the Society's insurance programme. There are 39 historical organizations that have Directors and Officers Liability Insurance policies underwritten at a limit of \$ 2 million each and 41 have General Liability Insurance policies with liability limits of at least \$2 million each.

The OHS continues to process insurance applications on a regular basis. John Thomas, our Insurance Broker, JONES DESLAURIERS, consults each historical organization to ensure that insurance policies are tailored to address specific needs and local circumstances.

For example, under the OHS



In November 2009, the OHS, in partnership with The Simcoe County Historical Association (SCHA), held a workshop entitled *Making Ontario's Heritage Accessible for People with Disabilities* at the Simcoe County Museum in Minesing. Seen here (left to right) are: Rob Levery, OHS; Diane Gallinger, Jordan Heritage Resources & Founding Director, Canadian Accessible Museums & Galleries Association; Ellen Millar, SCHA; John Rae, First Vice President, Alliance for Equality of Blind Canadians; Dr. Dorothy Duncan, Vice President, Friends of The OPP Museum and Carol Johnson, President, The Uxbridge-Scott Historical Society. Another speaker not pictured was Dr. John Carter, Museums & Heritage Advisor, Ministry of Culture.

*Photo Timothy Mikkelsen*

Insurance Programme, General Liability rates have for 2009-10 been amended to help accommodate smaller historical organizations. General Liability rates are now based on the gross revenues of each organization.

There are many active applications and therefore, insurance policies for our members are underwritten and

issued on an ongoing basis.

The OHS insurance programme enables and protects volunteers across Ontario who donate their time and skills to serve on the Boards of Directors of our member organizations.

**Rob Levery**  
Executive Director

## LEGAL AFFAIRS

In 2009, the OHS established a Legal Affairs Committee. The terms of reference of the Legal Affairs Committee are as follows:

1. The purpose of the Legal Affairs Committee shall be to assist and guide the Society with respect to any legal issues that arise in connection with the performance

of the Society's objects. The Legal Affairs Committee shall report to the Society's Board of Directors directly and shall be authorized to provide assistance and guidance as needed to the Society's President and Executive Director.

2. The Legal Affairs Committee shall operate at the pleasure

and direction of the Society's Board of Directors.

3. The Legal Affairs Committee shall be formed annually by individuals nominated by the Society's Board of Directors.

**Jesse Kugler**  
Legal Affairs Committee





## OHS AFFILIATED SOCIETIES



**Some of the members of the Canadian Friends Historical Association are pictured with their motion to incorporate through affiliation with the OHS at a public meeting held at Pickering College, Newmarket.**

*Photo Canadian Friends Historical Association*

2009 has certainly been a very busy and fulfilling year for The Ontario Historical Society. Reflecting upon the past twelve months, one pattern seems to emerge – an energy and excitement at the ‘grassroots’ level among local historical groups, societies and the dedicated volunteers without whom these historical organizations could not exist. *An Act to incorporate The Ontario Historical Society, Assented to 1st April, 1899*, authorizes the OHS to incorporate an affiliated society dedicated to preserving and promoting Ontario’s history. Interested groups must go through an application process during which they must form a volunteer board of directors and draft an organization mission statement, constitution and by-laws, pay an administration fee to the OHS in addition to holding a public meeting. The Society is very proud to announce that in 2009, nine historical organizations have incorporated through affiliation with the OHS and are now not-for-profit corporations in the Province of Ontario, a new record in the Society’s history! Congratulations and welcome to these nine groups:

### **The Portland on the Rideau Historical Society** (incorporated January 17, 2009)

The mission statement of the Portland on the Rideau Historical Society is to document, collect and preserve the history of the village of Portland and the Big Rideau Lake throughout its existence, with special emphasis on the village, the lake community and its natural setting.

### **The Canadian Royal Heritage Trust** (incorporated March 7, 2009)

The mission statement of The Canadian Royal Heritage Trust is to preserve, present and enhance the royal heritage of Canada and to make the people of Ontario and Canada aware of their rich democratic heritage as a constitutional monarchy and to broaden their knowledge of the role of the Crown in Canadian society.

### **Unionville Villagers’ Association** (incorporated March 7, 2009)

This organization strives to

preserve, improve and promote the heritage buildings and heritage environment within the Unionville Heritage Conservation District. It also intends to enhance the public’s appreciation and understanding of Unionville’s heritage buildings and heritage environment.

### **The Adolphustown-Fredericksburgh Heritage Society** (incorporated June 13, 2009)

This organization strives to bring together those people interested in the diverse historical heritage of the former Townships of Adolphustown, South Fredericksburgh and North Fredericksburgh, now part of the Town of Greater Napanee, to research, retain, preserve and present historical facts pertaining to this area. More specifically, the aims and objectives shall be: To undertake and promote the study and publication of historical research in the former Townships of Adolphustown and North/South Fredericksburgh; to disseminate historical information, to arouse an interest in the past, and to encourage the preservation



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of historical, archaeological, and architectural heritage of the area by publishing or printing material; by marking buildings, sites or other features of the historical landscape; by holding public meetings, lectures and exhibitions; and by undertaking a variety of information sharing, publicity and public education programs; and to do all such proper things as are necessary, incidental or conducive, to attaining the aims and objects of the Society.

### **Canadian Friends Historical Association**

*(incorporated September 26, 2009)*

The mission of the Canadian Friends Historical Association is to preserve and communicate the history of Friends (Quakers) in Ontario and Canada including the documentation and preservation of Quaker Meeting Houses, Burial Grounds and other significant contributions of Quaker heritage and the publication of the *Canadian Quaker History Journal*.

### **Chiefswood Board of Trustees**

*(incorporated September 26, 2009)*

On behalf of the Six Nations of the Grand River people, the Chiefswood Board of Trustees is charged with the responsibility to protect, preserve, promote, and operate E. Pauline Johnson's home as an important representation of our unique culture and history and its contribution to the overall cultural fabric of Ontario and Canada.

### **Kawartha Heritage**

*(incorporated September 26, 2009)*

The purpose of Kawartha Heritage is to bring together those people interested in the diverse history



**In May 2009, the OHS attended the Adolphustown-Fredericksburgh Heritage Society's (AFHS) first AGM, during which members voted to incorporate through affiliation with the OHS. Pictured above (left to right): Ruth Wright; Pat Galt; Susan Wright; OHS Executive Director Rob Leverty; and Grant Huyck.**

*Photo Judy Smith, AFHS*

and heritage of the Kawarthas. Kawartha Heritage is dedicated to recognizing, documenting, preserving and sharing the local heritage and culture of our region and to further the continuing awareness and appreciation of that heritage by present and future generations.

### **London and Western Ontario Branch of the United Empire Loyalists' Association of Canada**

*(incorporated September 26, 2009)*

The mission of the London and Western Ontario Branch UELAC is to defend and promote the history and institutions fundamental to Ontario's and Canada's United Empire Loyalist heritage and, in particular, the Constitutional Monarchy, the Commonwealth,

Parliamentary Government, the Rule of Law, Human Rights and Unity.

### **The Jack Munroe Historical Society of Elk City**

*(incorporated November 21, 2009)*

The mission statement of the Society is to preserve and present the history and heritage of Elk Lake and its residents and conduct research to broaden the knowledge of both; to support the Elk Lake Area Museum; to perpetuate the contributions of its namesake to this area and the North in general and create the 'Order of the North', an award that will be conferred on recipients who have made a significant contribution to Northern Ontario.





## ONTARIO HISTORY

The 101st volume of *Ontario History* began with five articles that covered a wide range of topics and periods. Lorene Bridgen's contribution, "On Their Own Terms: Temperance in Southern Ontario's Black Community (1830-1860)," gave us a new way of viewing the early Ontario temperance movement, specifically from the perspective of African Canadians. Also rooted largely in nineteenth-century sources, Daniel Laxer used analyses of Franco-Ontarien folksongs as a source of oral history to tell us much about both the life of voyageurs and the mid-twentieth-century Franco-Ontarien struggle for survival. Any Torontonians know about High Park, the city's biggest and most important park. Now, thanks to David Bain and his article "John Howard's High Park," we know how it came into being and how, over the course of almost 150 years, preservationists and recreationists fought over its space while at the same time fighting off institutional intrusions. Anne Warner's article on youth culture at Queen's University focused on more recent history, namely the

tensions between traditional ideals of middle class Canadian society and the values that began to emerge among middle class youth in the 1920s. Finally, David Calverley's examined the dispossession of the Ojibwa and Cree by the creation in 1925 of the Chapleau Game Preserve, illustrating how the much lauded creation of a game preserve could also have adverse impacts.

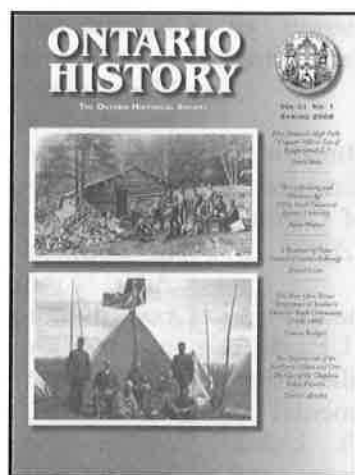
The autumn number, thanks in large part to guest editor John Carter, presented new interpretations of an old theme, the 1837 and 1838 rebellions in Upper Canada. Carter's own work the fate of North American political prisoners who were exiled to Van Diemen's Land in Australia, opened new ground for many readers unaware of the wider consequences of the rebellions. Tom Dunning of the University of Tasmania offered a re-interpretation of the Canadian rebellions as part of a borderland war, a concept created by historians of the southwestern U.S. and usually applied to Anglo American conflicts with Hispanic America. It is an article that's bound to cause a stir in

the field. Also in the same issue are two articles that dealt the rebellions from a local perspective: Robert Garcia's piece on British efforts to secure Kingston and Dennis Carter-Edwards' examination of the war from a Peterborough perspective. Completing the issue was Chris Raible's extensive bibliography relating to the Upper Canadian rebellions, ensuring that this number of the journal will be well used by students and scholars for many years to come.

Plans are in motion to publish a special issue commemorating the War of 1812 in 2012 under the editorship of guest editor Clare Dale.

As usual, I must thank book review editor, Tom McIlwraith, for presenting an excellent lineup of 19 reviews covering a wide expanse of topics ranging from biography and historical geography to urban and institutional history.

**Thorold "Tory" Tronrud**  
Editor, *Ontario History*



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Special Issue 1837-8 Rebellions





## CEMETERY PRESERVATION

In 2009, there were many accomplishments and a bold historic initiative to celebrate the OHS' efforts to protect, preserve and promote Ontario's Cemeteries.

In May 2007, the Ontario Registrar for Cemeteries made an unprecedented decision in favour of preserving an historic cemetery in Peterborough. Subsection 8 (2) of the *Cemeteries Act (Revised)* states "The Registrar (for Cemeteries) may order a cemetery closed if the closing is in the *public interest*." To close a cemetery means to dig up and relocate all human remains. Unfortunately, the Ontario Legislature has been unwilling to define the *public interest* and therefore, the OHS has for almost 18 years been engaged in a constant struggle to define the *public interest*.

The Registrar's order was an important decision in that it was the first time since the *Cemeteries Act* (1992) was enacted that the Province of Ontario had ruled in support of the OHS' position in defence of the *public interest*.

In 2008-2009, the OHS played an active role to ensure that any final settlement in the Peterborough case honoured and safeguarded the *public interest*. It is, however, disturbing that, between 2006 and 2009, the OHS had to dedicate so much staff and volunteer time supporting the Province on a cemetery which is also designated for protection under the *Ontario Heritage Act*.

In 2009, the City of Peterborough finally agreed to a settlement preserving in their original location all the burials at Confederation Square Cemetery thereby avoiding an expensive appeal hearing before a Provincial Tribunal. The OHS would like to thank everyone who assisted the Society on this



**Rob Leverty is pictured above, handing over to Mr. Brownell the several thousand petition signatures by citizens from over 296 cities, towns, villages and rural districts across Ontario in support of Bill 149.**

very difficult case including John Sheehan and the Citizens for the Protection and Preservation of the Pioneer Cemetery in Peterborough; Bob Crawford, Past President, The Ontario Genealogical Society (OGS); Michael D'Mello, Registrar, *Cemeteries Act* and William MacLarkey, Counsel, Ministry of the Attorney General. Over the past three years, this case consumed far too much of our time and energy and it cost the taxpayers a lot of money. It proved beyond a reasonable doubt why it is in the *public interest* that new legislation protecting cemeteries be enacted.

In June 2008, Jim Brownell MPP, (Stormont-Dundas-South Glengarry) contacted the OHS to inquire whether the Society was interested in working with him on a Private Member's Bill to protect Ontario's Cemeteries from relocation. The OHS accepted Brownell's offer. In the summer and fall of 2008, OHS worked closely with Jim Brownell and his staff and consulted with partners and volunteers in the research and drafting of new legislation.

On February 19, 2009, Jim Brownell tabled Bill 149 – *The Inactive Cemeteries Protection Act, 2009*, at the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. On March 12, 2009, Mr. Brownell moved Second Reading of Bill 149. After substantial debate with all parties of the Legislature supporting Bill 149, the motion was carried unanimously that Mr. Brownell's legislation be referred to the Standing Committee on General Government.

Bill 149 is historic in that there would be a law in this Province prohibiting the relocation of an inactive cemetery. If Bill 149 is enacted, it will be in the *public interest* that our cemeteries remain in their original locations. Bill 149 would enshrine into law that all known inactive cemeteries are equal. It is a defining moment in this Province, because for the first time in our history, whatever your cultural background and faith, your cemetery would be treated equally, with dignity and respect.

Bill 149 would also stop the never-ending legal battles which have been a terrible waste of the taxpayer's money allowing the OHS to spend its precious volunteer time and donations promoting the restoration of cemeteries rather than defending against their desecration.

I am pleased to report that since March 2009, citizens from over 296 cities, towns, villages and rural districts across Ontario have signed petitions supporting Bill 149. The OHS documented and copied petitions and delivered the original copies to Members of The Legislative Assembly (see picture).

The *Cemetery News Column*, *OHS Bulletin*, remains very popular but the number of articles submitted





## CEMETERY PRESERVATION

far exceeds the space available for each publication. Throughout 2009, the OHS helped to research and answer questions and assist families and descendants who have relatives buried in pioneer cemeteries threatened by development.

In 2009, the OHS and the OGS continued their province-wide campaign to determine how many cemeteries are not registered with the Province of Ontario and therefore, are legally highly vulnerable. There has been a long and continuous exchange of information with historical organizations and institutions

across Ontario. Many thanks to OHS and OGS volunteers Diane and Steve Clendenan, Marjorie Stuart, Anna Clapp, Phyllis Bowen and Marie Burk who have donated their expertise and countless hours to this historic initiative. They have now determined that approximately 1534 known cemeteries are not registered with the Province of Ontario. The OHS has no appeal rights with regard to these unregistered cemeteries and thus the Society cannot intervene effectively to protect the *public interest*.

Our cemetery preservation work depends on donations to the

Cemetery Defence Fund. In October 2009, the Society was informed that in the Last Will and Testament of the late Dr. Jean Burnet, her Estate was instructed "to deliver \$25,000.00 to the Cemetery Defence Fund of The Ontario Historical Society." The OHS also relies on all the time and effort donated by our dedicated volunteers and expert witnesses. I would like to thank them for their invaluable guidance, encouragement, dedication and support in 2009.

**Jim Leonard**

Cemetery Preservation Committee

## MUSEUMS COMMITTEE

I welcome the opportunity to chair the Museums Committee of The Ontario Historical Society. As a curator at a small community museum, I have through the years, appreciated participating in OHS programs and the advice and encouragement offered by Rob Leverty and The Ontario Historical Society staff.

The Museums Committee represents a cross-section of museum professionals and enthusiasts from across the province. With the varied experiences and points of view offered, I anticipate the continued development of the role of The Ontario Historical Society in serving their museum membership.

### Committee members for 2009-10

• **Pam Cain**, Curator, Fort Frances Museum;

• **Dr. John C. Carter**, Museum & Heritage Advisor, Ministry of

Culture;

• **Derek Cooke**, Acting Head Curator, The County of Prince Edward Recreation, Parks & Culture Department Office;

• **James Fortin**, Curator, City of Greater Sudbury Heritage Museum;

• **Linda Kelly**, Retired Curator, Manitoulin Island;

• **Lorraine O'Byrne**, Black Creek Pioneer Village (retired), previous OHS Board Member, St. Greely;

• **Sarah Redmond**, Curator, South Grey Museum.

The Museums Committee has identified the following areas that require development and promotion:

OHS programs and publications available to museums; OHS Honours and Awards available

for museums (Russell K. Copper Award and the Museum Award of Excellence); Partnerships with other provincial organizations and museum networks; Participation in initiatives to rally support for government programs assisting museums.

Working with museum networks, the Museums Committee has begun to profile the museums across the province in the *OHS Bulletin*. We will be asking for valuable input to assist in addressing issues affecting museums in the province.

We look forward to working with the membership in developing the role of the OHS in the museum community. Many museums across the province have roots in historical societies and many small community museums continue to be operated by historical societies.

**Pam Cain**

Museums Committee





## COMMUNICATIONS

The *OHS Bulletin* saw a successful year in 2009 – the five issues published (Numbers 168 through 172: February, April, Summer, October, and December) communicated to our membership news about Ontario's heritage sector from all corners of our vast province. I am very grateful to the regular contributors to the *Bulletin*: Chris and Pat Raible for reviewing recently published books on Ontario's history in *From the Bookshelf*; Marjorie Stuart for receiving notices from concerned citizens province-wide and writing the Cemetery News column; Ken Turner for his President's Report; and Rob Leverty for his Executive Director's Report which keeps readers informed on the OHS' ongoing efforts. A special thank-you is also due to Brenda Lennie of Harmony Printing in Toronto. Many thanks as well to all of our guest contributors who supplied important news and notices in 2009.

Communications in 2009 received



In June 2009, the OHS had a very successful Honours and Awards Ceremony, honouring the recipients of the 2008 Awards. Pictured above are members of the Awards Committee and 2008 Cruikshank Medal recipient and longtime OHS volunteer Marjorie Stuart.

Photo Andrea Izzo



The Ontario Historical Society celebrated Heritage Day 2009 in appreciation of our members, donors, volunteers, and friends. Pictured above (left to right) on the balcony of the historic John McKenzie House are: Rob Leverty, Executive Director, OHS; Marie Lalonde, Executive Director, Ontario Museums Association, and Bernard Charlebois, Vice President Market Development, Virtuo.ca CMS Technologies.

Photo Andrea Izzo

a major overhaul and 'facelift' with the implementation of our new membership CMS and website software package. Developed by Virtuo.ca of Ottawa, this system seeks to improve communication with our members across a number of channels, including e-mail correspondence and notices published on our redesigned website. The new online calendar is a major step forward in customer service, allowing members to add their own heritage-based events to the calendar, viewable by the public. This solves a dilemma of the past which prevented us from promoting time-sensitive events in the *Bulletin*. The Society is extremely excited about the potential of our new software and look forward to a

positive future of communications with our members and the general public.

2010 will see more targeted marketing and communication of OHS programmes, in an effort to better publicize our events to our members and the general public. We sincerely hope that this improved technology will allow the Society to provide enhanced customer service while enabling us to maintain and strengthen our traditional channels of communication.

Many thanks to everyone who helped strengthen our mandate through Communications in 2009, including regular *OHS Bulletin* contributors and guest writers, Bernard Charlebois and Craig Walsh of Virtuo.ca, and the Ministry of Tourism and Culture's Cultural Strategic Investment Fund, and our many volunteers and donors.

Andrea Izzo  
*OHS Bulletin* Editor





## HONOURS AND AWARDS

### Honours and Awards Winners for 2009, awarded in 2010

#### Awards for Non-Profit Organizations

Scadding Award	Not awarded in 2009
Museum Award of Excellence	Grey Roots Museum and Archives
B. Napier Simpson Jr. Award	Oro-Medonte History Association
Dorothy Duncan Award	Not awarded in 2009
Russell K. Cooper Award	John R. Park Homestead

#### Award for Business

President's Award	Robert and Douglas Shouldice, Shouldice Designer Stone
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#### Awards for Service

Cruikshank Medal	Chris and Pat Raible
Carnochan Award	Joy Ormsby

#### Awards for Authors

Brant Award	Not awarded in 2009
Fred Landon Award	Françoise Noël, for <i>Family and Community Life in Northeastern Ontario, The Interwar Years</i> , McGill-Queen's University Press
Fred Landon Award <i>Certificate of Merit</i>	Christine Cowley, for <i>Butchers, Bakers &amp; Building the Lakers: Voices of Collingwood</i> , LifeGems Personal Histories
Alison Prentice Award	Susan Butlin, for <i>The Practice of Her Profession, Florence Carhyle, Canadian Painter in the Age of Impressionism</i> , McGill Queen's Press
J.J. Talman Award	Jean Morrison, for <i>Labour Pains, Thunder Bay's Working Class in Canada's Wheat Boom Era</i> , Thunder Bay Historical Museum Society
Riddell Award	Dennis Carter-Edwards, for "Promoting a 'Unity of Feeling' The Rebellions of 1837/1838 and the Peterborough Region", <i>Ontario History</i> (Volume CI, Number 2 Autumn 2009)
Donald Grant Creighton Award	Alan D. Butcher, for <i>Unlikely Paradise: The Life of Francis Gage</i> , Dundurn Press
Huguenot Society of Canada Award	Not awarded in 2009





## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES, SERVICES AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

In 2009, the OHS conducted a record nine public meetings in one year for incorporation of not-for-profit corporations through affiliation with the OHS. Meetings were held in Portland, Unionville, Brantford, Fenelon Falls, Sudbury, London, Newmarket, Willowdale and Elk Lake. The OHS also had extensive consultations about the Society's incorporation process with over 20 groups across Ontario.

The OHS held a successful 121st Annual General Meeting, Honours and Awards Ceremony and a reception in honour of the 100th Anniversary of The Ontario Provincial Police. OPP Museum Curator Jeanie Tummon spoke about the century-long history of the OPP and OPP Constable Guy Higgott gave a presentation about his recent 1,000 km commemorative dog sled and snowshoe patrol across northern Ontario. The Friends

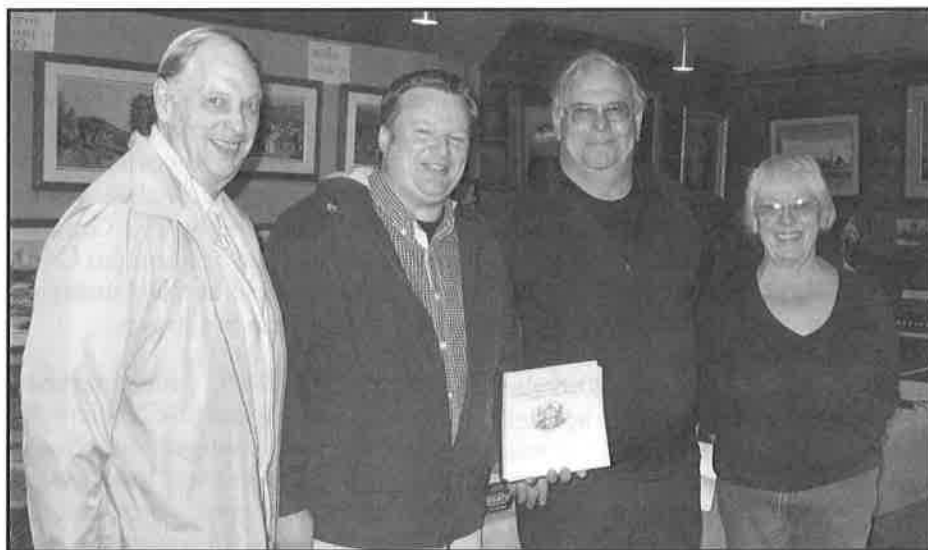
of the OPP Museum prepared all the food from their publication *MUSH!! Dining on the Go in Early Northern Ontario* and donated it for the reception at the John McKenzie House.

Throughout 2009, the OHS also supported and celebrated in numerous other ways the 100th Anniversary of the OPP. The OHS attended the Friends of the OPP Museum's Fundraising Gala in Orillia; participated in the OPP Museum's Exhibit Launch – *Frontiers: A Century of Policing* and presented in partnership with The Sudbury Region Police Museum; The OPP Museum; Friends of the OPP Museum and The Voyageur Heritage Network a special workshop in Sudbury.

The OHS conducted 24 educational workshops and presentations in 2009. Some of our partners

included Mattawa Historical Society and Museum; North York Historical Society; Head-of-the-Lake Historical Society; Unionville Historical Society; Culinary Historians of Ontario; Two Rivers Community Development Centre; Chiefswood National Historic Site; Beach Lighthouse Canal Group; Michael's Bay Historical Society; Ontario Jewish Genealogical Society; Ontario Jewish Archives; Old Durham Road Pioneer Cemetery Committee; SilverShoe Historical Society; Waterloo Region Heritage Showcase; Italian-Canadian Historical Association; Thunder Bay Historical Society and Museum; Heritage Toronto's "Willowdale Walk"; Newcastle Historical Society and City of Greater Sudbury Heritage Museum.

Accessibility remains one of the Society's major priorities. The OHS in partnership with the Simcoe County Historical Association Museum held its workshop "*Making Ontario's Heritage Accessible for People with Disabilities*" at the Simcoe County Museum in Minesing. The workshop was a great success and each organization that attended the workshop received a copy of the OHS' *Accessible Heritage Tool Kit*. Our five guest speakers covered a range of topics relevant to the unique challenges that heritage institutions face in providing accessible services. OHS workshop speaker, John Rae, First Vice President, The Alliance for the Equality of Blind Canadians, wrote two articles as a special guest editor for the OHS Bulletin. For instance, in the December 2009 issue, John wrote "Access Beyond the Ramp – Part 2: Representation of Persons with Disabilities in your Collection". Closer to home the OHS staff participated in and successfully completed an



In May 2009 The Mattawa Historical Society & Museum, in partnership with the OHS, The Voyageur Heritage Network (VHN) and the Town of Mattawa, successfully hosted the workshop *Mattawa – Historic Crossroads of the Nation*. Pictured above (left to right): David Lafleur, President, VHN; Dean Backer, Mayor of Mattawa; John Whalen, President, Mattawa Historical Society; and OHS Director Linda Kelly.

Photo Rob Leverty





## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES, SERVICES AND PUBLIC OUTREACH



**In May 2009, the OHS visited and toured the The Logging Camp at Marten River Provincial Park to discuss incorporation through affiliation with the Society and potential upcoming workshops. This meeting resulted in a partnership to provide the 'History of Logging in 19th Century Ontario' workshop, held in May 2010. Pictured above in the cookhouse is Diane Wayda, Museum and Nature Trail Interpreter, Marten River Provincial Park.**

*Photo Rob Leverty*

accessible customer service training program. This has helped to shape our customer service guidelines and these have been taken into account in the recent redesign of our website.

The OHS participated in the 10th Annual 2009 *Doors Open Toronto*. Both days were constantly busy with over 900 guests visiting the historic John McKenzie House in Willowdale. This successful event depended on dedicated OHS volunteers who donated their time to provide tours. The OHS hosted 32 community meetings in Willowdale and had 21 rentals for the John McKenzie House.

In 2009, the OHS' insurance programme for member organizations "in good standing" continued to expand. The OHS processed and approved 31 new

applications.

The Bicentennial of the War of 1812-1814 is rapidly approaching. In preparation, the OHS has been compiling a collection of all *Ontario History* articles related to the War of 1812 published during the journal's existence. This endeavour yielded a total of 72 articles comprising a total of 1125 pages. In addition there were 35 book reviews of works concerning the war. In July, 2009 the OHS began converting these articles into an electronic format. This was accomplished in partnership with the Ontario Genealogical Society who provided their scanner with an Optical Character Recognition function which allows editing of the text for the purposes of correction and standardization. Linda Kelly, a member of the OHS' War of 1812 Working Group, also attended Centennial College's symposium

on the War of 1812 at historic Fort York.

The OHS was proud to be involved in the 2009 Ontario Provincial Heritage Fair Showcase. This important educational youth initiative, organized by The Ontario Heritage Fairs Association (an OHS affiliate), was held at the Library & Archives Canada in Ottawa.

Throughout 2009, our member organizations asked the Society to either discuss strategic directions, help solve problems, provide a references for grant applications, explore heritage designations and easements, review their constitution and by-laws or support their efforts to obtain charitable tax status.

**Rob Leverty**  
Executive Director





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6-Jan	City of Toronto - Tax Rebate Meeting - Toronto	6-Mar	Meeting - David Zimmer, MPP, Willowdale re: Bill 149 - Willowdale
9-Jan	OHS Budget Meeting - Willowdale	7-Mar	OHS Board of Directors Meeting - Willowdale
12-Jan	Heritage Consultation - Elgin Historical Society - Elgin	7-Mar	Incorporation of The Canadian Royal Heritage Trust - Willowdale
12-Jan	Public Meeting - Affiliation of Portland His. Soc. - Portland	9-Mar	Public Affiliation Meeting - Unionville Villager's Assoc. - Unionville
14-Jan	OHS Audit Committee Meeting - Willowdale	10-Mar	OHS attends Parkview Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale
14-Jan	Incorporation Consultation - Unionville - Unionville	12-Mar	OHS attends Bill 149 <i>Inactive Cemeteries Protection Act</i> Second Reading- Queen's Park, Toronto
17-Jan	OHS Board Meeting - Willowdale	12-Mar	OHS attends Parkview Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale
17-Jan	Incorporation of Portland on the Rideau His. Soc. - Willowdale	16-17 Mar	Insurance Consultations - Thornhill and King Township His. Society
18-Jan	OHS attends MPP Zimmer's New Years Levee - Willowdale	19-Mar	Ministry of Government Services meeting re: Incorporation - Toronto
21-Jan	Incorporation Consultation - Bruce Mines Historical Society	19-Mar	Partnership Meeting with Ontario Heritage Connection - Willowdale
22-Jan	Meeting - Ministry of Government Services - Toronto	21-Mar	Meeting with MPPs re: Bill 149 - Queen's Park, Toronto
22-Jan	OHS Meeting - Scotiabank - Willowdale	23-Mar	OHS Presentation at Ontario Genealogical Society Toronto Branch
25-Jan	OHS at Ontario Black History Society Anniversary - Toronto	24-Mar	Meeting with SilverShoe Historical Society - Willowdale
25-Jan	OHS Launches Ontario's African Canadian Heritage - Toronto	24-Mar	Ministry of Government Services meeting re: Incorporation - Toronto
27-Jan	OHS - Virtuo.ca Meeting - Willowdale	25-Mar	Ottawa Museums Network & Ottawa Heritage Cncl. Strategic Mtg.
28-Jan	Consultation with Virtuo.ca re: new CMS Software - Willowdale	25-Mar	Insurance Consultation - UEL Bay of Quinte Branch
5-Feb	Meeting - Financial Auditors - Willowdale	25-Mar	OHS attends OPP Museum Fundraiser Gala - Orillia/Rama
8-Feb	OHS attends Toronto Post Card Club Fair - Toronto	28-Mar	Insurance Consultation - Markham Historical Society
13-Feb	Head-of-the-Lake Heritage Dinner - OHS presentation - Hamilton	31-Mar	Insurance Consultation - Weston Heritage Conservation District
16-Feb	The OHS' Heritage Day Reception - Willowdale	31-Mar	Insurance Consultation - Niagara Escarpment Foundation
19-Feb	OHS attends Parkview Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale	6-8 Apr	OHS Audit Conducted by Akler, Browning, Frimet & Landzberg LLP
19-Feb	Bill 149 <i>Inactive Cemeteries Protection Act</i> Tabled in Legislature - Queen's Park, Toronto	7-Apr	OHS attends Parkview Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale
20-Feb	OHS attends Lt. Governor Heritage Awards - Queen's Park, Toronto	13-Apr	Insurance Consultation - Milton Historical Society
25-Feb	Affiliation Consultation - Canadian Royal Heritage Trust - Toronto	14-Apr	Affiliation Consultation - Italian-Canadian history - Downsview
26-Feb	CSIF - Report Submitted to Ministry of Culture - Toronto	16-Apr	Rental of John McKenzie House - Toronto Post Card Club
27-Feb	OHS/RBC Fundraising Meeting - Toronto	21-Apr	OHS Affiliated Societies Committee Meeting - Toronto
28-Feb	Waterloo Region Heritage Showcase - Cambridge	21-Apr	OHS Meets with Minister of Culture - Toronto
3-Mar	OHS Audit Committee Meeting Conference Call	22-24 Apr	Student Experience Program - Summer Student Interviews
6-Mar	Meeting - City of Toronto re: Water Sustainability - Willowdale	23-Apr	OHS Workshop - First Nations re: Incorporation - Brantford





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**On April 26, 2009, the York Pioneer & Historical Society rented the John McKenzie House for a special event, the launch of *From Hands Now Striving to Be Free, Boxes crafted by 1837 Rebellion Prisoners* by Chris Raible, with John C. Carter and Darryl Withrow.**  
*Photo Andrea Izzo*

- 25-Apr OHS at Grey-Bruce Black History Workshop - Owen Sound
- 26-Apr Rental of John McKenzie House - York Pioneer & Historical Society
- 27-Apr York Region Tourism Meeting - *Accessible Heritage Tool Kit* - Newmarket
- 27-Apr OHS Presentation at Unionville Historical Society AGM - Unionville
- 30-Apr OHS at OPP Museum Exhibit Launch - Century of Policing - Orillia
- 30-Apr Consultation - Sturgeon River House Museum - Sturgeon Falls
- 1-May Incorporation Consultation - Ontario Parks - Marten River
- 1-May OHS workshop meeting with Mattawa Museum - Mattawa
- 1-May OHS with Voyageur Heritage Network - Executive Meeting - Mattawa
- 21-May OHS at Sunderland and District Historical Society's AGM- Sunderland
- 2-May OHS Workshop with Mattawa Historical Society and Voyageur Heritage Network - Mattawa
- 4-May Meeting - Accessible Heritage - Shelbourne
- 5-May OHS meets MPPs in support of OMA's 10th 'May is Museum Month' - Queen's Park, Toronto
- 6-May Insurance Consultation - Gurd & Area Historical Corporation
- 9-May Doors Open Toronto - Volunteers Orientation Meeting - Toronto
- 12-May Strategic Consultation - Friends of the Archives CAMH - Willowdale
- 12-May OHS attends Parkview Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale

- 12-May OHS named 3rd Party in Robertson v. Proquest
- 12-May Meeting - Manitoulin Museum's Association - Mindemoya
- 13-May Meeting - Jim Brownell, MPP re: Bill 149 Petitions - Willowdale
- 13-May OHS Presentation - North York Historical Society - North York
- 14-May OHS at North York Community Council Meeting re: Irish O'Connor House - Willowdale
- 15-May Insurance Application - Friends of Chrysler's Battlefield
- 19-May OHS at Old Fort York - Doors Open - Toronto
- 20-May OHS Presentation at 42nd Annual Gray County Historical Society Dinner - Meaford
- 19-May Auditor Meeting - Akler, Browning, Frimet & Landzberg LLP Willowdale
- 21-May Affiliation Consultation - Fenelon Falls - Fenelon Falls
- 21-May Meeting - John Filion, Councillor, Willowdale - Willowdale
- 22-May Insurance Application - Ship's Company of Penetanguishene
- 22-May Meeting - OHS Affiliate Beach Canal Lighthouse Group - Willowdale
- 23-24 May John McKenzie House participates in Doors Open Toronto 2009
- 23-May Inaugural Planting & Opening Day - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden
- 25-May Consultation - Glencoe Historical Society - Glencoe
- 25-May City of Toronto Environmental Inspection of John McKenzie House
- 25-May Settlement - Ministry of the Attorney General re: Peterborough
- 26-27 May Legal Consultation re: Robertson v. Proquest - Toronto
- 26-May OHS Hosts "Expo 67" Lecture by Culinary Historians of Ontario
- 26-May Consultation - Accessible Heritage Workshop with Accessibility Directorate - Toronto
- 27-May OHS at Meeting of Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee
- 28-May Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale
- 28-May *Ontario History* Contract Revision with Proquest
- 29-May Incorporation Consultation - Les amis du musée du Moulin
- 29-May Consultation with Davis LLP re: Robertson v. Proquest - Toronto
- 30-31 May OHS Book Table at OGS Conference - Oakville
- 31-May Heritage Toronto "Willowdale Walk" at John McKenzie House
- 3-Jun Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale





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8-Jun	Insurance Application - Ship's Company of Penetanguishene	29-Jun	Strategic Planning Meeting with Northern Ontario Railroad Museum
9-Jun	OHS Audit Committee Meeting - Willowdale	30-Jun	Proquest Class Action Lawsuit - Meeting - Willowdale
10-Jun	Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee Meeting - Willowdale	2-Jul	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale
11-Jun	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	2-Jul	Meeting - Author Agreements re: Ontario History
11-Jun	OHS Ribbons Awarded at Ontario Provincial Heritage Fair - Ottawa	2-Jul	Loricks Family Farm - Restoration Consultation
13-Jun	Meeting of OHS Board of Directors - Willowdale	5-Jul	OHS at Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Strawberry Social - Willowdale
13-Jun	Incorporation of Adolphustown-Fredericksburgh Heritage Society	6-Jul	Insurance Application - Victoria County Historical Society
13-Jun	121st Annual General Meeting of The Ontario Historical Society	6-Jul	Workshop Meeting re: 100th Anniversary of the OPP
13-Jun	100th Anniversary Presentation by The OPP Museum - Willowdale	7-Jul	Ministry of Culture Provincial Heritage Organization Grant Application Submitted - Toronto
13-Jun	The Ontario Historical Society's 2008-2009 Honours & Awards Ceremony - Willowdale	7-Jul	Meeting - Ministry of Government Services - OHS Affiliated Societies
13-Jun	Friends of the OPP Museum-hosted Reception, John Mckenzie House	8-Jul	Tour - Historic Beach Lighthouse and Keeper's Dwelling - Hamilton
15-Jun	Insurance Application - Thamesville District Historical Society	8-Jul	Meeting - Beach Lighthouse Canal Group - Hamilton
15-Jun	Proquest Class-Action Lawsuit Meeting with Publishers - Toronto	8-Jul	OHS Presentation at Beach Lighthouse Canal Group AGM - Hamilton
15-Jun	Meeting - Glencoe Historical Society - Glencoe	8-Jul	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale
16-Jun	Meeting - Ministry of Government Services re: Incorporation - Toronto	9-Jul	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale
17-Jun	Meeting - Accessibility Directorate of Ontario re: workshop planning Toronto	11-Jul	OHS at Opening of Old Mill Heritage Centre - Kagawong
17-Jun	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	15-Jul	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale
18-Jun	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	15-Jul	OHS Summer Student Applicants Follow-Up - Willowdale
20-Jun	OHS Keynote Speaker at SilverShoe Historical Society AGM - Clearview	15-Jul	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale
23-Jun	Tour - Fenelon Falls Museum - Fenelon Falls	16-Jul	OHS at Opening of Mindemoya Heritage Centre - Mindemoya
23-Jun	Meeting - Friends of Fenelon Falls Museum - Fenelon Falls	16-Jul	Workshop Planning - Voyageur Heritage Network
23-Jun	Public Incorporation Meeting - Kawartha Heritage - Fenelon Falls	20-Jul	Reference - Cultural Spaces - Greater City of Sudbury Heritage Museums
24-Jun	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	22-Jul	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale
24-Jun	Incorporation Consultation - UEL London and Western ON Branch	22-24 Jul	Scanning of War of 1812 <i>Ontario History</i> Articles at OGS - Toronto
25-Jun	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	23-Jul	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale
26-Jun	Insurance Consultation - Buxton Historical Society	27-Jul	Consultation - Accessibility Workshop - Simcoe County Hist. Assoc.
26-Jun	OHS Cemetery Defence Fund - Donors Meeting - Willowdale	28-Jul	Meeting - Speakers of OPP Museum Workshop - Sudbury
26-Jun	Trillium Grant Reference - Credit Valley Heritage Society	29-Jul	Meeting - Former Editor, <i>Ontario History</i> - Willowdale
27-Jun	OHS Workshop Presentation at Caledon Contemporaries 50th Anniversary - Heathcote	29-Jul	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale
		30-Jul	Meeting - Jones DesLauriers Inc. re Copyright Insurance





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30-Jul	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	15-Sep	Meeting - Reading and Remembrance - Willowdale
31-Jul	Meeting - Davis LLP re: Copyright Infringement	17-Sep	John McKenzie House Rental - Toronto Postcard Club - Willowdale
1-18 Aug	Research, Writing, Review - Affidavit re: Proquest v. Heather Robertson - Markdale	17-Sep	OHS Audit Committee Meeting - Willowdale
5-Aug	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	19-Sep	Insurance Application - Kirkfield and District Historical Society
6-Aug	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	19-Sep	Public Meeting - Incorporation of Canadian Friends Historical Association - Newmarket
10-14 Aug	Reading and Remembrance Packages mailed to Ontario School Boards	20-Sep	OHS at Manitowaning Fall Fair - Manitowaning
12-Aug	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	22-Sep	Insurance Application - Norfolk Historical Society
15-Aug	OHS at Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Corn Roast - Willowdale	23-Sep	OHS at Heritage Canada's Built Heritage Leaders Forum - Toronto
17-Aug	Meeting - Printing Company Quotes - Willowdale	24-Sep	Insurance Application - Friends of the Rideau, Smith's Falls
18-Aug	OHS at Public Announcement - Thornhill Heritage Foundation	26-Sep	OHS Meeting of the Board of Directors - Willowdale
19-Aug	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	26-Sep	Incorporation of re: Incorporation of Kawartha Heritage, London & Western Ontario Branch of the United Empire Loyalists; Canadian Friends Historical Association; and Chiefswood Board of Trustees
20-Aug	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	27-Sep	OHS Presentation - Old Durham Road Pioneer Cemetery Committee Priceville
26-Aug	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	29-Sep	OHS at Accessibility Directorate Stakeholder Meeting re: Built Environment - Toronto
27-Aug	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	30-Sep	OHS Presentation at Ontario Jewish Genealogical Society, Shomayim Synagogue - Toronto
29-Aug	Interview re: Bill 149 - <i>The Forum</i> on Talk 820 Astral Radio - Hamilton	1-Oct	Meeting - Ministry of Gov't Services re: Incorporation - Four Affiliates - Toronto
30-Aug	Interview re: Bill 149 - <i>The Forum</i> on Oldies 1150 Astral Radio - Hamilton	6-Oct	OHS Meeting - Accessibility Directorate of Ontario - Toronto
2-Sep	Meeting - Chase Paymentech re: Online Web Transactions	7-Oct	Meeting - OHS Legal Advisor re: Proquest v. Robertson - Toronto
2-Sep	Boiler Repair - John McKenzie House - Willowdale	7-Oct	OHS - Publisher's Representation Agreement - Davis LLP - Toronto
2-Sep	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	8-Oct	Customer Service Standards Training Session - OHS Staff
3-Sep	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	9-Oct	Heritage Consultation and Letter for Point Abino Lightstation
3-Sep	Heritage Designation Consultation & Letter - King Township His. Soc.	13-Oct	OHS Presentation - Newcastle Historical Society - Newcastle
5-Sep	OHS at Michael's Bay His. Society's Heritage Fair Showcase - Tehkummah	15-Oct	OHS at Ontario Heritage Trust's - Honouring Premier's Gravesites, Mount Pleasant Cemetery, Toronto
8-Sep	Meeting - Ontario Jewish Archives re: Forum on Cemetery Restoration	16-Oct	Tour and Meeting - Sudbury Police Museum - Sudbury
8-Sep	Public Incorporation Meeting - UEL London and Western ON - London	16-Oct	Meeting - City of Greater Sudbury Heritage Museums - Sudbury
9-Sep	Meeting - Parkview Neighbourhood Garden Committee - Willowdale	16-Oct	Tour - Flour Mill Museum re: Incorporation Application - Sudbury
10-Sep	Rental of John McKenzie House - North York ESL Group - Willowdale	17-Oct	OHS Presentation at Voyageur Heritage Network AGM - Sudbury
12-Sep	OHS Display and Book Table at Mono's Big Day Out - Mono Centre	17-Oct	OHS Workshop - Celebrating 100th Anniversary of the OPP - Sudbury
15-Sep	Training Session - Virtuo.ca re: New Website - Willowdale		
15-Sep	OHS at Ontario Superior Court of Justice - Toronto		
15-Sep	Meeting - Incorporation of Grand Erie Education Archives - Waterford		





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20-Oct	Insurance Application - Bruce Mines Historical Society	Toronto
20-Oct	Insurance Application - Northern Ontario Railroad Heritage Museum	18-Nov Public Meeting - Incorporation of Jack Munroe Historical Society of Elk City - Elk Lake
21-Oct	Insurance Application - North Bay Historical Society and Museum	20-Nov Meeting - Significant Music re: Reading and Remembrance Partnership- Willowdale
21-Oct	Investment Meeting - Manager, Scotiabank - Willowdale	21-Nov Meeting - OHS Board of Directors - Willowdale
22-Oct	OHS Presentation at Memorial Service for Jean Burnet - York University, Toronto	21-Nov Incorporation of Jack Munroe Historical Society of Elk Lake Willowdale
27-Oct	OHS at North York Community Preservation Panel - Willowdale	25-Nov Publisher's Representation Agreement - Davis LLP - Toronto
27-Oct	Meeting - Ministry of Government Services - Toronto	25-Nov Insurance Application - Waterdown-East Flamborough Heritage - Society
28-Oct	Rental of John McKenzie House - Leona Drive Project Reception	25-Nov Meeting - Treasurer of Ontario Heritage Trust/Arts and Letters Club Willowdale
29-Oct	OHS - Green Energy Initiative - Willowdale	30-Nov Rental of John McKenzie House - Canadian Royal Heritage Trust
29-Oct	Insurance Application - Friends of Educational Archives & Heritage Centre	3-Dec Consultation and Reference Letter for Italian-Canadian Historical Association
29-Oct	OHS at War of 1812 Symposium at Historic Fort York - Toronto	7-Dec Meeting - Reading and Remembrance 2009 Wrap-Up - Willowdale
4-Nov	OHS Fundraising Meeting - Royal Bank of Canada - Toronto	7-Dec Meeting - Supervisor, Real Estate, City of Toronto - Toronto
5-Nov	Conference Call - Virtuo.ca re: Website/CMS Software	8-Dec Insurance Application - Mattawa Historical Society and Museum
7-Nov	OHS and Simcoe County Historical Association Workshop - Minesing	8-Dec OHS Luncheon in Honour of the Women's Canadian Historical Society - Willowdale
7-Nov	Making Ontario's Heritage Accessible at Simcoe County Museum	8-Dec OHS Presentation at South Mississauga Historical Society - Mississauga
9-Nov	Rental of John McKenzie House - Canadian Royal Heritage Trust	9-Dec Appraisal of Donation of Jean Burnet's books - Willowdale
9-Nov	OHS at North York Historical Society's Fundraiser and Reception	15-Dec Mailing of Reading and Remembrance Post-Remembrance Day Packages
10-Nov	Meeting - Virtuo.ca re: New Membership CMS	15-Dec OHS Meeting - Councillor John Filion re: Heritage Conservation Easement
12-Nov	OHS Audit Committee Meeting - Willowdale	17-Dec OHS Meeting - Supervisor, Property Tax and Assessment, City of Toronto
15-Nov	OHS Presentation at Launch of Ontario's Small Jewish Communities Exhibit - Toronto	17-Dec Consultation and Reference Letter for Espanola Historical Society
16-Nov	Meeting - Harmony Printing re: <i>OHS Bulletin</i> - Willowdale	18-Dec Meeting - OHS/OGS Cemetery Committee - Georgetown
16-Nov	Insurance Application - Association of Professional Archaeologists	18-Dec OHS at Dundurn Press Christmas Reception for Authors - Toronto
17-Nov	OHS at Dundurn Launch of Sir Sanford Fleming's Diaries by Jean Cole - Ontario Archives, Toronto	21-Dec Insurance Consultation - Kawartha Heritage
18-Nov	OHS at Victoria College - Donation of Jean Burnet's books - Toronto	22-Dec Affiliation Meeting with Citizens for Riverdale Hospital - Toronto
18-Nov	OHS Presentation of Bill 149 Petitions to Jim Brownell, MPP - Toronto	23-Dec Cemetery Consultation - Ebenezer Gospel Cemetery - Grey County
18-Nov	Meeting - Ministry of Government Services re: Verification Profile	





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