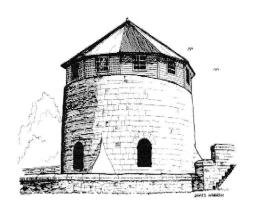
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Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2020

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The Kingston Historical Society Donors' List 2019

The Kingston Historical Society is very grateful to the following individuals who have contributed to the Society's endeavours through their generous donations in 2019.

Eva Barnes

Jean Baxter

Jane Errington

Hazel & John Fotheringham

John Grenville

Jay Nuttall

Father Brian Price

Peter Radley

Stephen Roughton

The Kingston Historical Society Sponsors' List 2019

The Kingston Historical Society very much appreciates the financial support of the following organizations which have contributed to the Society's endeavours through their generous sponsorships in 2019.

Cataraqui Cemetery

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Cooke's Old World Shoppe

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The Kingston Historical Society

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Wednesday, February 19, 2020 7:00 p.m.

Kingston Public Library, Johnson Street

Kingston, Ontario

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order: W. Everett
- 2. Period of Remembrance: W. Everett
- 3. Approval of the agenda: W. Everett
- 4. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019: W. Everett
- 5. Business arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2019: W. Everett
- 6. President's remarks: W. Everett
- 7. Reports from Officers, Council and Committees---2019: W. Everett
 - a) The President's Report
 - b) The Secretary's Report
 - c) The Awards Committee Report
 - d) The Editor's Report: Historic Kingston
 - e) The Editor's Report: Limelight
 - f) The Membership Report
 - g) The Murney Tower National Historic Site Committee Report
 - h) The Program Report
 - i) The Publications Report
 - j) The Publicity Report
 - k) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report
 - l) The Web Site Committee Report
- 8. The Treasurer's Report and presentation of Financial Statements: P. Ginn
- 9. Ratification of business conducted by Council during the operating year 2019: P. Ginn
- 10. Endorsement of the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2020 as approved by Council: P. Ginn
- 11. Appointment of Secker, Ross, Perry: P. Ginn
- 12. Appointment of non-Council member to review financial records for 2020: P. Ginn
- 13. Nominations and election of Officers and Council: P. Gower
- 14. New business: W. Everett
- 15. Closing remarks: V. Durant
- 16. Adjournment: V. Durant

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Wednesday, February 21, 2019 7:30 p.m.

The Seniors Centre Kingston, Ontario

MINUTES

1. Call to Order:

After a presentation by Graeme Watson on restoration work performed on Murney Tower, the meeting was called to order at 8:35 by President Warren Everett.

2. Period of Remembrance:

A brief period of remembrance was held in honour of those members who had passed away in 2018.

3. Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda:

Moved: Tabitha Renaud Seconded: Joe Brites

Carried

4. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2018:

Motion to approve the minutes of the 2018 AGM:

Moved: Alan MacLachlan Seconded: Peter Ginn

Carried

5. Business arising from the Annual General Meeting 2018: W. Everett

No business arising.

6. President's remarks: W. Everett

Warren welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Any reflections for the past year could be found in his report on page 9 of the AGM document.

7. Reports from Officers, Council and Committees:

a) The President's Report

b) The Secretary's Report	D. Richardson
c) The Awards Committee Report	J. Brites
d) The Editor's Report: Historic Kingston	P. Gower
e) The Editor's Report: <i>Limelight</i>	B. Andrews
f) The Membership Committee Report	P. Van Nest
g) The Murney Tower National Historic Site Committee Report	G. Watson
h) The Program Report	M. Shaw
i) The Publications Report	P. Gower
j) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report	A.MacLachlan
k) The Web Site Committee Report	P. Gower

Motion to approve the committee reports:

Moved: Marc Shaw

Seconded: Paul Van Nest

Carried

8. The treasurer's report: P. Ginn

Motion to receive the 2018 Treasurer's Report and the Financial Statements prepared by Secker, Ross and Perry:

Moved: Peter Ginn

Seconded: Alan MacLachlan

Carried

Tabitha Renaud expressed appreciation to Peter for his work on all financial matters and the preparation of documents pertaining to such.

9. Ratification of the business conducted by Council during the operating year 2018: P.Ginn

Motion to ratify the business conducted by Council during the operating year 2018:

Moved: Peter Ginn Seconded: Peter Gower

Carried

10. Endorsement of the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2019 as approved by Council: P. Ginn

Motion to endorse the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2019 as approved by Council:

Moved: Peter Ginn

Seconded: Graeme Watson

Carried

11. Appointment of Secker, Ross, Perry: P. Ginn

Motion to retain Secker, Ross and Perry to prepare the Society's 2019 financial statements:

Moved: Peter Ginn **Seconded:** Peter Gower

Carried

12. Motion to appoint Doug Petty as a non-Council member to renew the financial records of the Society for 2019, and to report to the members at the 2020 AGM: P. Ginn

Moved: Peter Ginn

Seconded: Alan MacLachlan

Carried

13. Constitutional amendment--- Proposed KHS By-laws amendment, By-laws, Part B, Section VIII, Committees, 2: W. Everett

EXISTING:

There shall be a nominating committee of three members consisting of a councillor, a member of the Society elected by members at the last annual general meeting, and the immediate past-president or any other past-president, or failing either of these another councillor. It is the duty of the nominating committee to present to the annual general meeting at least one nomination for each of the four elected executive officers and seven elected councillor positions of the council. In addition, each valid nomination submitted under the provisions of By-laws, Section III paragraph 6 shall be presented. (Amended 18 April 2007)

PROPOSED:

There shall be a nominating committee consisting of three members namely the immediate past-president or another past-president i.e. the chair, one member of council, and one member-at-large, chosen by the chair. The member-at-large shall be approved by council no later than the November meeting preceding the annual general meeting. It is the duty of the nominating committee to present to the annual general meeting at least one nomination for each of the four elected executive officers and seven elected councillor positions of the council. In addition, each valid nomination submitted under the provisions of By-laws, Section III paragraph 6 shall be presented.

RATIONALE:

The committee is of the opinion that choosing the member-at-large so far in advance could be problematic. Numerous issues could arise which would prevent that person from fulfilling her/his duties. The current by-law provides no recourse to address/correct such a situation.

The committee is also of the opinion that having a past-president be the chair is advantageous in that this individual would have several years' experience on council and this would assist in seeking out individuals for election.

Motion to accept the proposed constitutional amendment, Part B, By-laws, Section VIII, Committees, 2:

Moved: Don Richardson Seconded: Tabitha Renaud

Carried

14. Constitutional amendment--- Proposed KHS By-laws amendment, By-laws, Part B, Section VIII, Committees, 3: W. Everett

EXISTING:

A committee shall be appointed annually to manage the operation of the Murney Tower National Historic Site. The chair shall be a member of council. The committee's membership shall include a treasurer, a curator, the treasurer of the Society (ex-officio) and other members as are deemed appropriate by the chair, subject to the approval of council. The committee shall conduct the affairs of the museum in accordance with generally accepted museum practice and directives as may be duly specified by council. It shall render regular reports to council. The finances of the museum shall be reported in the financial records of the Society.

PROPOSED:

Council shall appoint a committee annually at the first meeting of council subsequent to the annual general meeting to manage the operation of the Murney Tower National Historic Site. The chair shall be the director of the Murney Tower. The committee's membership shall include the treasurer of the Society and other members as are deemed appropriate by the chair, subject to the approval of council. The committee shall conduct the affairs of the museum in accordance with generally accepted museum practice and directives as may be duly specified by council. It shall render regular reports to council. The finances of the museum shall be reported in the financial records of the Society.

RATIONALE:

This change will stream-line the make-up of the Murney Tower committee, and permit council to have oversight of the committee.

Motion to accept the proposed constitutional amendment, Part B, By-laws, Section VIII, Committees, 3:

Moved: Don Richardson

Seconded: Duncan McDowall

Carried

15. Nomination and election of Officers and Council: T. Renaud

Proposed slate of Council for 2019-20

Executive Officers (all to be re-elected)

President

Warren Everett

Vice-president

Joe Brites

Secretary

Don Richardson

Treasurer

Peter Ginn

Past-president

Peter Gower

Elected Councillors (7)

Vincent Durant
Alan MacLachlan
Dr. Duncan McDowall
Tabitha Renaud
Anne Richardson
John Whiteley
Paul Van Nest

The names appearing above are people who have agreed to serve on the Kingston Historical Society Council for the 2019-2020 year.

Appointed Councillors: 4 are to be appointed by Council at its March meeting, comprising:

Chair, Murney Tower Museum Committee Editor, *Historic Kingston* Editor, *Limelight* Webmaster

Motion to approve the slate of officers for 2019-2020 as submitted by Tabitha Renaud:

Moved: Tabitha Renaud Seconded: Doug Petty

Carried

16. New business:

a) Paul Van Nest expressed congratulations to Peter Gower for all his work in putting 4 editions of *Historic Kingston* into members' hands within the space of one year.

17. Closing remarks: W. Everett

Warren thanked Council and all members of the Society for their contributions. Thanks were extended to Graeme and Danielle for their hard work in the success of Murney Tower. He finished by stating that a healthy and vibrant Society requires membership and encouraged all to bring new members into our organization.

18. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 9:05 Moved: Lou Grimshaw

Carried

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES---2019

a) President's Report---2019

This AGM will mark the end of my second term as President of the Society. Over the past two years, the Society has a seen a number of changes and challenges. The Sir John A. Dinner passed into history and was replaced by the Canadian Heritage Dinner. This inaugural Heritage Dinner was very successful.

In January, 2020 we will return to the Main Library for our monthly meetings. Change is difficult, but it can improve an organization. I believe these two major changes have enhanced the Society. Although parking is a bit problematic, the library's central location has the potential to bring in more of the public to our meetings and enhances the opportunities for new members. So far, we have successfully met the challenge of post-modern interpretation of history and succeeded. The annual Sir John A. Macdonald grave site commemoration remains one of our annual events.

The Society and the Murney Tower Museum are financially stable and membership remains strong. The Society is blessed by the hard work of the members of the Council who gave me unwavering support over the last two years. Their strong leadership in all areas is responsible for our continued success. Many of the challenges which the Society faced over the last two years are still out there. I urge everyone to give your full support to the new President and Council.

In closing, it has been a privilege to serve as your president. I look forward to serving on Council as past-president.

Respectfully submitted by Warren Everett, President

b) The Secretary's Report---2019

During the past year, the duties of the secretary consisted of preparing the agendas, recording the minutes and then distributing approved minutes for the monthly meetings of Council to members of Council; preparing the agenda for the annual general meeting, and recording those minutes; preparing for the annual general meeting by editing and assembling reports from members of Council, recording the minutes of the annual general meeting of 2018, and by updating the lists of donors, sponsors, awards recipients and past presidents for the AGM document; providing documentation for grant applications; completing a report for the Ontario Historical Association; assisting the president and treasurer in carrying out their duties as needed and, on occasion, corresponding through email or standard post with members of the public on behalf of the Society. In addition to these duties, assistance was provided to the Murney Tower Committee in the hiring of interns and with other human resources activities.

Respectfully submitted by Don Richardson, Secretary

c) The Awards Committee Report---2019

The Kingston Historical Society held its Annual Awards night on December 4th at the Renaissance Event Venue at 285 Queen Street in Kingston. Since 1993 the award was been presented to individuals and groups in recognition of their outstanding contribution to the preservation and/or interpretation of local history. This year, awards were presented to Bill Stevenson and the Tour Guide Program at Kingston City Hall.

Bill Stevenson: In 2012 Bill Stevenson created the Vintage Kingston Facebook page which offers a public platform for sharing historic ephemera related to Kingston and its environs. These include photographs, maps, advertisements, and illustrations. Many of the images are from private collections and would otherwise go unseen if not for Vintage Kingston. The page has been a great success with over 28,000 registered followers. There are now approximately 7500 images posted to Vintage Kingston, many of which include dozens of visitor comments that often fill in details about the subject depicted. In addition to Vintage Kingston, Bill Stevenson created and manages pages for Vintage Toronto, Vintage Gananoque, Vintage Brockville and Vintage Belleville. The award to Bill Stevenson is an example of how digital technology has impacted the new ways in which history can be experienced. The internet-age has made projects like this accessible to an ever wider demographic that can both experience and contribute to its content.

City of Kingston Volunteer Tour Guide Program: For over 20 years the City of Kingston Volunteer Tour Guide Program has provided free guided tours of City Hall that explore a multitude of topics related to Kingston history. Tour participants are taken on a journey through time that features the World War I stained glass in Memorial Hall, a visit to the building's 1840 jail and a chance to see historical artifacts sprinkled throughout the building and in the Heritage Resource Centre. In addition to Canada's two official languages, tours were available this year in Mandarin, Farsi and German. The twenty-eight volunteers conduct a 30 to 45 minute tour. In 2019 over 6300 visitors were offered tours and an additional 7700 visitors took advantage of the self-guided tour option.

Ontario Volunteer Service Award: Two members of the 2019 Kingston Historical Society Council have been selected to receive the Ontario (5 year) Volunteer Service Award. Administered by the province's Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries, the award is being given to Anne Richardson and Graeme Watson for their continuous years of commitment and dedicated service to the Kingston Historical Society.

Sovereign Medal for Volunteers: Peter Gower has been selected to receive the Governor General's Sovereign Medal for Volunteers. The award recognizes "the exceptional volunteer achievements of Canadians from across the country in a wide

range of fields and pays tribute to the dedication and commitment of volunteers. They embody the caring country we aspire to build." For the past two decades, Peter Gower has given historic tours, written about Kingston history and sat on various boards, often taking on board leadership roles.

A special thank you to Anne Richardson, Doug Petty and Marc Shaw for their work in helping navigate through the various award nominations. Thank you also to KHS President Warren Everett who was instrumental in offering advice and assistance throughout the Sovereign Medal for Volunteers nomination process.

Respectfully submitted by Joe Brites, Chair, Awards Committee

d) The Editor's Report, Historic Kingston---2019

Historic Kingston 68, 2018 was published last year, and this meant that we had eradicated the backlog that had accumulated. We expect *Historic Kingston* 69 will be available before the end of March for 2019 members. We took advantage of the delay to change the dating of the series. The eagle-eyed amongst our readers will have noticed that the year now reflects the year in which the talks were given, making it easier for those trying to track down a particular edition. My thanks to those who have been hand-delivering *Historic Kingston:* every hand delivery saves \$5!

Respectfully submitted by Peter Gower, Editor, *Historic Kingston*

e) The Editor's Report, Limelight---2019

Limelight is the newsletter of the Kingston Historical Society, published each month except June, July and August. Allan Graphics is the printer used as the rates are reasonable and the quality is excellent.

As of December 2019, 53 copies of *Limelight* are mailed each month; 126 copies are sent to members who agree to receive Limelight by email.

Each issue contains information about the Kingston Historical Society meetings and activities, a message from the President, the report by the Program Chair on the monthly meeting, a Murney Tower column, and the ads of the sponsors. Columns featured periodically are on local museums, other historical societies, historic buildings and individuals and topics deemed of interest to members.

Limelight is posted by Webmaster Peter Gower to the KHS website.

Membership Chair Paul Van Nest prepares the labels for mailing as well as sending the website link to those who receive Limelight by email.

Respectfully submitted by Betty Andrews, Editor, *Limelight*

f) The Membership Report---2019

Type of Membership	2019	2018	2017
Individuals	67	70	70
Families (counted as 2)	96	78	94
Students	2	2	3
Life Members	13	15	16
Institutions	13	10	12
Sponsors	11	12	8
TOTAL	202	187	203

The Society should be very pleased with the substantial increase in membership this past year.

New Members = 30 which includes 25 personal and family memberships (2) and 5 converting from personal to family status.

Members lost = 21 which includes deceased and conversions from family to individual.

*I know these numbers don't compute with the overall growth from 187 to 202 but we're close.

Your membership chair is pleased to report that fully 44% of personal and family memberships have been renewed as of mid-December. This is really appreciated.

Historic Kingston Journal:

As keeper of the database, the Membership Chair also tracks sales to institutions: invoicing and sending copies to the many who order our annual journal. We had fallen behind in editing this journal over a three year period until Peter Gower took up the cause and caught us up to date this year. The result, over the past two years, has been a substantial number of invoices and communications to retrieve some of these clients. You will be pleased to know that 11 universities, public libraries and other book sellers purchased HK68 (2018). We certainly lost a few annual subscribers during this hiatus.

Respectfully submitted by Paul Van Nest, Chair, Membership

g) The Murney Tower National Historic Site Committee Report---2019

This was a year of transition for the Murney Tower Museum. While Graeme Watson has retired as Director of the museum, we are extremely grateful to Graeme whose contribution to the museum cannot be overstated. He has worked tirelessly over the last five years to modernize the museum, creating a strategic plan, governing policies and using LIDAR technology to create a digital tour which helps the museum comply with accessibility standards. It is this and many other accomplishments which made the museum eligible for the City of Kingston Heritage Fund. With this grant, the KHS was able to hire a curator and revitalize all of our museum exhibits while participating in new community outreach. Graeme also arranged for an affordable office space for our museum and strengthened our relationship with the Kingston Association of Museums, Galleries and Historic Sites (KAM).

We are also in the process of hiring a Museum Manager to replace our outgoing curator, Danielle Marshall. In her two years with KHS, Danielle accomplished an extraordinary amount for our museum. She redid all exhibits on the main and upper levels of the museum, introduced new programming and created an autism visitor guide. She represented our museum both locally as chair of the programming committee of KAM and provincially through her presentation to the Ontario Museum Association this fall. Events for 2020 included A Night at the Barracks, the Phantoms of Yore, the Kingston Regional Heritage Fair and a week of March Break programming. Danielle supervised many summer students, interns and volunteers to accomplish a number of very important projects. Danielle and Graeme also successfully worked around extensive masonry renovations to the Tower by Parks Canada this year.

As the incoming Director, I would like to extend my deepest thanks to both Graeme and Danielle as they continue to help with this transition. The KHS is currently in the process of revamping the governance structure of the museum. We have created a new museum committee consisting of Tabitha Renaud, Tanya Scott, Vincent Durant, Peter Ginn, David More, Don Richardson and Warren Everett. David More has since withdrawn from the committee and we are in search of new volunteers. If anyone interested in joining the committee, please let us know.

The museum has renewed its lease with Parks Canada to use the Tower for another five years. We will also need to update our strategic plan this year as it expires in 2020. We move forward with the hiring of a new Museum Manager to run the Tower twelve months a year. We are once again participating in Queen's Engineering APSC 100: Module Three program. Tabitha will be supervising local engineering students as they work on several large projects

this year that will improve museum accessibility and create interactive pieces for exhibits and programming.

We are also currently undergoing extensive work in Collections Management. Several Queen's interns under the supervision of Peter Gower organized all the documents in the Heritage Room at Queen's Archive. Now interns and volunteers from both Queen's and UBC have begun the process of photographing, organizing and electronically cataloging our artifacts. Violet Tang has graduated and we would like to thank Violet for her many hours volunteering in the Heritage Room handling artifacts. We are currently looking for a volunteer to assist with Collections Management. If anyone is interested in volunteering with artifacts we would love to hear from you!

The museum has successfully received the City of Kingston Heritage Fund again for 2020. We are very grateful to the City of the Kingston, Parks Canada and the Kingston Association of Museums for their continued support. Though we are in transition at this time, the committee anticipates great things ahead this year!

Reminder: Members of the KHS have free admission to the museum!

Murney Tower Museum Committee

Tabitha Renaud (Chair)
Peter Ginn (Treasurer)
Tanya Scott (Secretary)
Vincent Durant (Collections)
Don Richardson (Human Resources)
Warren Everett (KHS President)

Summer Staff:

Madeline Legg (Chief Interpreter) Schuyler Lauren Kille Van Dusen Bria Crosby

Interns:

Nicole Mulder Natalia Kwan Bria Crosby

Volunteers:

Violet Tang

Respectfully submitted by Tabitha Renaud, Chair, Murney Tower Committee

h) The Program Report---2019

The Program Committee offered a full program of monthly lectures and special event lectures throughout the year, under the supervision of Program Chair Marc Shaw. These included:

January 16: Brent Mills on CFB Kingston during the 1990s Federal Debt Crisis

February 20: Graeme Watson on the Murney Tower Renovations

February 23: **J.D.M. Stewart** spoke at the Kingston Heritage Dinner on his book *Being Prime Minister*

March 20: Cameron Willis on World War I and Kingston Penitentiary through the Experience of One Convict

April 17: **Dr. Brent Raycroft** on Lord Sydenham, Our Last Governor-General and Our First Prime Minister

May 15: **Bill Patterson** on the $1^{\rm St}$ Battalion Stormont , Dundas and Glengarry Highlanders, 1940-45: the Kingston Connection

June 6: **Christopher Moore** spoke at the Macdonald graveside commemoration on the legacy of John A. in modern context

September 18: **John Morgan** on The Hon. Alexander Mackenzie – Canada's Stonemason Prime Minister

October 16: **David Gordon** on Two Visions to Address the Sydenham Ward "Slum": Urban Renewal in Kingston, 1958-70

November 20: **John Grenville** on the 1960s Ordinance Survey of Kingston: Response to the American Civil War

The above lectures will be published in Volume #69 of *Historic Kingston*, early in 2020.

The Society's **2020 lecture schedule** is available at the Society's website. This year's program aims to broaden the topical frame of the Society's offerings – including, for instance, lectures on Kingston Indigenous citizens and its LGBTQ community – thereby hopefully encouraging wider public interest in Kingston's history and heritage. It should be noted that the Society has returned to the **Kingston Central Library** (130 Johnson Street downtown) as its designated lecture venue with all lectures slated to begin at **7:00 pm**.

Respectfully submitted by Duncan McDowall, Chair, Program

i) The Publications Report---2019

KHS is not at present sponsoring any new publications. We have for sale the books we have supported in the past, and there is a slow but steady demand for them. They are always available at KHS meetings, or can be ordered through the website.

Respectfully submitted by Peter Gower, Chair, Publications

j) The Publicity Report---2019

In 2019 the Kingston Historical Society (KHS) broadened its effort to gain more publicity for our activities and meetings. Although the KHS has had for several years an excellent Facebook presence and website, an effort has been made to strengthen our community visibility in more traditional ways. The feeling is that there are many activities competing for people's attention and we need to increase our visibility to ensure that our message is getting out to interested parties.

With that goal in mind, this past January a *Kingston This Week* announcement was inserted into the paper which listed our upcoming events until the end of June the hope being that people will cut it out and attach it somewhere as a reminder of upcoming events. A second announcement will run at the beginning of September announcing our Fall 2020 events. Greater effort has also been made to have our events included in the *Kingston Whig Standard's Coming Events* section.

A greater effort has also been made to publicize our events via press releases. Press releases have been met with mixed results. Generally speaking they have not been an effective way to get media coverage of our monthly meetings. We have had greater success on this front with special events such as the Annual Awards Event at the Renaissance venue on Queen Street. This past December, for example, thanks to a press release CKWS came out to the Awards Night and interviewed our award recipients. In previous years, press releases resulted in the award recipients being covered by the *Whig Standard*. When the award winners have a Queen's University connection, the Queens Alumni Review has also responded well with publicity.

Respectfully submitted by Joe Brites, Chair, Publicity

k) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report---2019

The 126th Sir John A. Macdonald Graveside Commemoration Service was held at the Kingston Cataraqui Cemetery. For the second consecutive year we were blessed with excellent weather. With approximately 150 people in attendance, we were joined by the young voices from Ecole Sir John A. Macdonald Public School under the direction of Mr. David Rankine. An event superbly coordinated under the direction of our M.C. Mr. Donald

Richardson unfolded on the afternoon of 6 June.

After the opening remarks by Mr. Richardson, the school choir led us in the singing of our national anthem, O Canada, followed by The Reverend Fr, Blair Peever of Christ Church Cataraqui who gave the prayer and Scripture Reading. Our KHS President, Warren Everett, brought words of welcome and he then introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Christopher Moore. The title of Mr. Moore's address was "John A. Macdonald and Reconciliation" in which he stated: "If we did move forward and make reconciliation more than an empty slogan, then in future decades Canadians would be freer to come here to John A. Macdonald's grave without a certain ambivalence. They would be able to commemorate the great things he did, without having to wrestle so much with more contentious aspects of his legacy." His full address will be in our next issue of *Historic Kingston*.

After Mr. Moore's talk, we had the traditional laying of fourteen wreaths by representatives of our three levels of government and organizations affiliated with Sir John. This was followed by the lament from the Fort Henry Guard piper, concluding with the Last Post and Reveille in conjunction with the Fort Henry Guard bugler. The benediction was given by The Reverend Fr. Blair Peever and the Service ended with the attendees who rose and joined the Ecole Sir John A. Macdonald P.S. choir in the singing of "God Save the Queen". Following the commemoration, the gathering retired to the Cataraqui Cemetery outdoor chapel for refreshments and conviviality.

Special thanks go to Sgt. Marc LaPorte of the R.C.M.P, the staff of Bellevue House, the Fort Henry Guard, and the Cataraqui Cemetery staff, all of whom made this graveside ceremony one of colour, pageantry and tradition. As well, without the advice and assistance of Dr. Brian Osborne, Don Richardson Peter Radley and Patricia McGinniss this annual service would not have been as successful as it was. Also, the success of this event was the result of the assiduous and dedicated combined efforts of our committee which included: Barbara Bonner, Eva Barnes, Peter Radley, Bob Lemmon, Craig Boals, Mark Bennett and Alex McLean.

Respectfully submitted by Alan MacLachlan, Committee Chair

1) The Web Site Committee Report---2019

www.kingstonhistoricalsociety.ca is now in its third year and is running smoothly. You can renew membership, or join, see what *Historic Kingston* has published in the past (with the help of the Kingston Frontenac Public Library), see the year's agenda of meetings and speakers and see what other local groups are presenting. To those who have friended us on Facebook (we are Kingston Historical Society Kingston Ontario), we send out meeting reminders and other items of interest

Respectfully submitted by Peter Gower, Webmaster

The Treasurer's Report---2019

The General Fund operating finances, which include all but the Murney Tower accounts, are in solid shape.

Membership revenues were up significantly over previous years as a result of the diligent efforts of the membership chair. The sale of publications and *Historic Kingston*, lead by Peter Gower, and donations helped the revenue side. The Murney Tower again sponsored the June 6th Sir John A. commemoration event.

Under-spending on planned expenditures combined with the increased revenues meant that the printing of the backlogged *Historic Kingston* was possible without drawing on financial reserves.

The Murney Tower enjoyed another good year financially. While admission revenues were down from 2018, major grants from Young Canada Works, the Canada Summer jobs program and the City's Heritage fund ensured we ended the year with a surplus of revenue over expenditures. The Heritage Grant made it possible to retain the services of our curator, a summer intern and funded exhibit renewal work as well.

The overall financial position is set out in more detail in the Financial Statements prepared by the staff of Secker, Ross & Perry.

Thank you to Doug Petty for reviewing the 2019 financial records for the Society.

Respectively submitted by Peter Ginn, Treasurer

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January 7th, 2020

To: The Members of Kingston Historical Society

I have reviewed the financial records of the Society for 2019 and in my opinion they are in compliance with the Society's Constitution, Bylaws and policies.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Petty

Nominations and election of Officers and Council

Nominations Committee Report

Proposed slate of Council for 2020-21

Executive Officers

President

Vincent Durant

Vice-president

Joe Brites

Secretary

Don Richardson

Treasurer

Peter Ginn

Past-president

Warren Everett

Elected Councillors (7)

Bruce Cossar
Barry Keefe
Alan MacLachlan
Dr. Duncan McDowall
Kevin Reed
Anne Richardson
Paul Van Nest

The names appearing above are people who have agreed to serve on the Kingston Historical Society Council for the 2020-2021 year.

<u>Appointed Councillors:</u> 4 are to be appointed by Council at its March meeting, comprising:

Chair, Murney Tower Museum Committee Editor, *Historic Kingston* Editor, *Limelight* Webmaster

Respectfully submitted by Peter Gower, Chair, Nominations

APPENDIX A

The Kingston Historical Society

Recipients of KHS Awards

1993	Dr. W. Breck: historian; active member
	Shirley Gibson-Langille: artist, active member
1004	Dr. George F. G. Stanley: historian and executive member
1774	Dr. William Angus: historian, active member
	Frederick A. McConnell: curator, historical animator, executive
	member
1005	Dr. Richard A. Preston: historian, museologist, executive member
1995	Dr. Margaret S. Angus: historian, author, government advisor
1996	Canadian Forces Communications and Electronics Museum
	Margaret Cohoe: historian, teacher, active member
	Gary Schult: teacher, heritage fair organizer
1997	A.G. (Joe) Boucher: past president (posthumous)
	Isobel and Bogart Trumpour: past-presidents
1998	BGen William Patterson: author, historic site historian
	Donald Redmond: editor, Historic Kingston, librarian, executive
	member
	Carol White: teacher, consultant history curricula
1999	J. William Fitsell: journalist, sports historian, past-president
	Gordon D. Smithson: founding president, Pittsburgh Historical Society
2000	Cataraqui Cemetery Company: 150th anniversary of founding
	Marjorie Simmons; historian, genealogist, executive member
2001	George F. Henderson: archivist, long-time chair Macdonald grave site
	ceremony
	Maurice D. Smith: historian, museologist
2002	Cataraqui Archaeological Research Foundation: 25th anniversary of
	founding
	Jennifer McKendry: architectural historian, author; active member
2003	Downtown Kingston Business Improvement Area: advocate of
	building preservation
	Ingbert J. Huber: retired master stone-cutter, Helmut L. Graf; retired
	master mason
2004	John K. D'Esteere: preserver of marine lore, ship builder
2 00T	George W. Vosper: public official, preservation activist, museum
	benefactor
2005	
2005	Kevin E. Reed: teacher, driving force behind KCVI War Memorial

events

Robert C. Cardwell: active in local historical and heritage groups and

- The Kingston Whig Standard: in recognition of special Canada Day supplement *The People Who Built Kingston* Ann Lukits: in recognition of the major role in the production of *The People Who Built Kingston* Patricia Fleming: author, preserver of local social history
- 2007 Kim Donovan: builder, preservationist
 Brian Stuart Osborne: community builder, historical geographer;
 author, past-president
 John (Jack) Gibson Pike: teacher, active member, museologist
- 2008 Ken Watson: author, historic site historian, society web master Henk Wevers: ship builder, museum benefactor Peter Gower: author, historian, active member
- 2009 Beatrice Corbett: author, active member, Navy Park developer Arthur Britton Smith: author, Benefactor
- 2010 Captain Brian Johnson: author, active member Donna Ivey: author, active member I Norma Kelly: author, active member.
- 2011 Robert J. Andrews: author, educator, and active member Edward R. Grenda: Past President, researcher, active member
- 2012 Dr. James Low: founder, Museum of Health Care at Kingston Queen's University Archives: for the preservation and management of historical materials
- Canada's Penitentiary Museum: for its national presence in interpreting the history of the Canadian penal system
 The Royal Military College of Canada Museum: for its many contributions to the preservation and interpretation of local Kingston history
- 2014 John Fielding: for his major contribution in improving the teaching of history, and for his 10 years as editor of *Limelight*
- Oscar Malan: for his keen interest in Kingston history, and his willingness to support local historical authors

 Doug and Marianne Thompson: for their interest in the Lower Burial Ground, and for their diligence in raising funds to restore parts of it, and to raise public awareness of such an important Kingston landmark
- 2016 Professor Emeritus Duncan McDowall: educator, author, speaker for his contributions to the preservation, understanding and interpretation of local Kingston history.
 Joanne Stanbridge: for developing and producing a number of projects which have helped publicize and popularize local history in Kingston and Frontenac County.

- 2017 Major Warren Everett (retired): author, for his long and outstanding service to the Kingston Historical Society in numerous roles, and for his leadership role in the Hill 70 Memorial Project which created a perpetual monument and a highly respected high school resource kit. John Grenville: for his long-time commitment to recording and highlighting Kingston's history as an author and as Chair of a long list of committees dedicated to improving people's knowledge and appreciation of historical issues of import to the citizens of Kingston.
- 2018 Paul Banfield: archivist, Queen's University, for his contributions to the acquisition, management, and preservation of local Kingston history.
 - Laura Murray: director of the Swamp Ward and Inner Harbour History Project which has done much to inform Kingston residents about this intriguing part of Kingston's history.
 - Susanna McLeod: writer, for her long-time historical contributions to the Kingston Whig-Standard which have informed and delighted Kingstonians for more than a decade.
- 2019 Bill Stevenson for the creation of the Vintage Kingston Facebook page which offers a public platform for sharing historic ephemera related to Kingston and its environs.
 - City of Kingston Volunteer Tour Guide Program for providing free guided tours of City Hall for over 20 years.

Appendix B

The Kingston Historical Society

Presidents

1893-94	Very Rev. Buxton B. Smith
1894-85	Rev. Samuel Houston
1895-96	Dr. J.L.H. Neilson
1896-97	Dr. R.T. Walkem, Q.C.
1897-98	Professor George D. Ferguson
1898-99	Professor Adam Shortt
1900-01	Dr. E.H. Smythe, Q.C.
1901-02	Rev. Conway Cartwright
1902-03	Dr. R.T. Walkem
1903-05	Col. M.H. Twitchell
1906-11	Dr. R.V. Rogers, K.C.
1911-12	J.M. Farrell, Esq.
1912-14	Rev. Canon G.L. Starr
1914-16	Professor G.D. Ferguson
1916-21	Rt. Rev. Edward J. Bidwell, Bishop of Ontario
1921-26	Major General Sir Archibald Macdonnell
1926-29	Professor Duncan A. McArthur
1929-32	H.F. Price, Esq.
1932-35	Professor D.A. McArthur
1935-41	Professor Reginald G. Trotter
1941-51	Lt. Col. Courtlandt M. Strange (Acting President)
1951-58	Lt. Col. Courtlandt M. Strange
1958-61	Professor G.F.G. Stanley
1961-72	Lt. Col. Louis J. Flynn
1972-74	Dr. Margaret Angus
1974-76	Mr. Bogart Trumpour
1976-78	Mr. Allan Cohoe
1978-80	Mr. Neil A. Patterson
1980-82	Mrs. Isobel Trumpour
1982-84	Mr. Ray Haslewood
1984-86	Mrs. Anne MacDermaid
1986-88	Mr. Kevin Quinn
1988-90	Dr. Wallace G. Breck
1990-92	Mrs. Isobel Trumpour
1992-94	Mr. Frank Milledge

1994-96	Mr. J.W. Fitsell
1996-97	Mr. A.G. Boucher
1997-98	Major Louis Grimshaw
1998-2000	Dr. Desmond O'Meara
2000-02	Major Warren Everett
2002-05	Dr. Brian S. Osborne
2005-07	Mr. Maurice D. Smith
2007-09	Mr. Edward R. Grenda
2009-11	Mr. Alan MacLachlan
2011-13	Mr. Gordon Sinclair
2013-16	Mr. Peter Gower
2016-17	Major Louis Grimshaw
2017-18	Dr. Marcus Letourneau
2018-20	Major Warren Everett