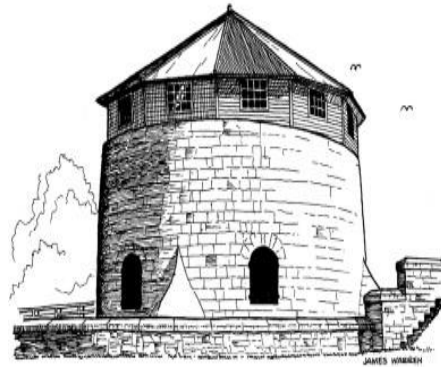


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Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

Zoom teleconference



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The Kingston Historical Society Donors' List 2021

The Kingston Historical Society is very grateful to the following individuals who have contributed to the Society's activities through their generous donations in 2021.

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The Kingston Historical Society Sponsors' List 2021

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 2021.

Cataraqui Cemetery
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The Kingston Historical Society

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Zoom teleconference

Kingston, Ontario

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: V. Durant
2. Period of Remembrance: V. Durant
3. Approval of the agenda: V. Durant
4. Approval of the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021: V. Durant
5. Business arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2021: V. Durant
6. President's remarks: V. Durant
7. Reports from Officers, Council and Committees---2021: V. Durant
 - a) The President's Report
 - b) The Secretary's Report
 - c) The Awards Committee Report
 - d) The Editor's Report: *Historic Kingston*
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 - g) The Murney Tower National Historic Site Committee Report
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 - i) The Publicity Report
 - j) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report
 - k) 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 2021: P. Ginn
10. Presentation of the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2022 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 2022: P. Ginn
13. Constitutional amendments: P. Gower
14. Nominations and election of Officers and Council: W. Everett
15. New business: P. Charbonneau
16. Closing remarks: P. Charbonneau
17. Adjournment: P. Charbonneau

The Kingston Historical Society
Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, February 24, 2021
7:00 p.m.

Zoom teleconference

Kingston, Ontario

MINUTES

1. Call to Order: V. Durant

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

2. Period of Remembrance: V. Durant

A brief period of remembrance was held for those members who passed away in 2020.

3. Motion to approve the agenda: V. Durant

M/S: Peter Ginn/Paul Van Nest

Carried

4. Motion to approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2020: V. Durant

M/S: Alan MacLachlan/Anne Richardson

Carried

5. Business arising from the Annual General Meeting 2020: V. Durant

None

6. President's remarks: V. Durant

Vincent commented that it had been a very interesting year. Although we gave up the Sir John A. June 6 event, monthly meetings and the annual dinner, the team pulled together in spite of COVID-19. Peter Gower did an excellent job with *Historic Kingston* by getting the volumes up to date and arranging for personal delivery. Betty did a marvelous job of *Limelight*. Paul did a wonderful job with membership. Duncan prepared an excellent coterie of speakers. In fact, the entire team exhibited excellent teamwork. He reminded members that the vital role of vice-president needs to be filled as the current president's position would become vacant in one year, and he encouraged them to think about this. We need to think about how we will conduct meetings in the future: Zoom, in-person or some form of hybrid. Vincent referred members to the list of donors and sponsors, and expressed apologies for the omission of Marc Raymond from the list of sponsors.

7. Reports from Officers, Council and Committees: V. Durant

a) The President's Report

V. Durant

b) The Secretary's Report	D. Richardson
c) The Awards Committee Report	J. Brites
d) The Editor's Report: <i>Historic Kingston</i>	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	T. Renaud
h) The Program Report	D. McDowall
i) The Publications Report	P. Gower
j) The Publicity Report	J. Brites
k) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report	A. MacLachlan
l) The Web Site Committee Report	P. Gower

Motion to receive the committee reports:

M/S: Alan MacLachlan/Barry Keefe Carried

8. Motion to approve the treasurer's report and presentation of Financial Statements 2020:

P. Ginn

Motion to approve the 2020 Treasurer's Report and the Financial Statements prepared by Secker, Ross and Perry:

M/S: Peter Ginn/Tabitha Renaud Carried

9. Motion to ratify the business conducted by Council during the operating year 2020:

P. Ginn

M/S: Peter Ginn/Anne Richardson Carried

10. Motion to endorse the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2021 as approved by Council: P. Ginn

M/S: Peter Ginn/Tabitha Renaud Carried

11. Motion to retain Secker, Ross, Perry to prepare the Society's 2021 financial statements:

P. Ginn

M/S: Peter Ginn/David Gordon Carried

12. Motion to appoint Doug Petty as a non-Council member to review the financial records of the Society for 2021, and to report to the members at the 2022 AGM: P. Ginn

M/S: Peter Ginn/Alan MacLachlan Carried

13. Nomination and election of Officers and Council: W. Everett

Proposed slate of Council for 2021-22

Executive Officers

President	Vincent Durant
Vice-president	
Secretary	Don Richardson
Treasurer	Peter Ginn
Past-president	Warren Everett

Elected Councillors (7)

Betty Andrews
Barry Keefe
Alan MacLachlan
Dr. Duncan McDowall
Dr. Tabitha Renaud
Anne Richardson
Paul Van Nest

The names appearing above are people who have agreed to serve on the Kingston Historical Society Council for the 2021-2022 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 2021-2022 as submitted by Warren Everett:

M/S: Warren Everett/Barry Keefe Carried

14. New business: V. Durant

- a) Jean Rae Baxter inquired about advertising her upcoming book. This matter will be brought to the new Council for approval.
- b) Motion to appoint Paul Charbonneau as vice-president for the new Council:

M/S: Paul Van Nest/Warren Everett Carried

15. Closing remarks: V. Durant

Vincent thanked all those who attended and expressed optimism that the new Council will continue to do good work for the Society's members.

16. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 pm.

Moved: Barry Keefe

Carried

Minutes recorded by

Don Richardson, Secretary

1. Call to order: V. Durant

2. Period of remembrance: V. Durant

3. Approval of agenda: V. Durant

4. Approval of AGM minutes 2021: V. Durant

5. Business arising from AGM 2021: V. Durant

None

6. President's remarks: V. Durant

7. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES---2021

a) President's Report---2021

It has been an absolute privilege to serve as President of the Kingston Historical Society for the past two years. A privilege and of course a challenge: one month after my appointment at the 2020 AGM, the world shut down due to COVID, thus putting the kibosh on so many of our anticipated events, including the monthly membership meetings. (To quote the old Yiddish adage: "Man plans, and God laughs"). Undaunted, members of Council pulled together to develop and implement a plan that allowed most of our activities to get back up-and-running. I have been on many boards over the years, but never before experienced the feeling of collegiality shown by the Council during the past two years; indeed, it has been a privilege!

In addition to the work done by Council, I want to give a shout-out to the Director, Manager/Curator, committee and staff of the Murney Tower Museum. The hard work put in by these dedicated colleagues has been truly amazing, and I encourage all members of KHS to read the very interesting report they have prepared for our Annual General Meeting.

Finally, I would like to encourage everyone to give a warm welcome to our incoming President. I am sure he will do an excellent job guiding the Society in its future, post-pandemic one hopes, endeavours.

Respectfully submitted by
Vincent Durant, President

b) The Secretary's Report---2021

During the past year, the duties of the secretary consisted of preparing the agendas, recording the minutes and then distributing approved minutes for the 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 2021; updating the lists of donors, sponsors, awards recipients and past presidents for the AGM document; providing documentation for grant applications; 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---2021

The Kingston Historical Society (KHS) Awards Committee has ridden the same roller coaster of COVID-19 restrictions and the never-ending shifting of our provincial openings/closing as have all Ontarians.

The committee recognized early that our traditional fall event would once again be cancelled; however, being ever hopeful and with the full support of the KHS Council, we planned a new event for February 2022. We now know that that event will also be cancelled as the Council has decided to continue meeting in a virtual format through to June 2022.

The role of the committee is to recognize individual, collective and organizational contributions to the preservation of local Kingston history. The committee has received nominations for the 2021 awards and they will be presented virtually at the Kingston Historical Society Annual General Meeting (AGM). However, looking forward to when we can gather again and celebrate those award recipients, we will invite them to join us at the 2022 awards event.

The Government of Ontario Volunteer Service Awards has indicated that the 2021 awards will be presented at a local ceremony in mid-year. We will be nominating members of KHS who meet the criteria for this acknowledgement of varying years of service to the Society.

I want to thank the previous members of the Awards Committee especially the Chair, Joe Brites, for assisting me to become familiar with my new role and the excellent records turned over to assist the new members of the committee. Kudos to the current members, Anne Richardson and Dr. Tabitha Renaud, for joining me on this journey to ensure we continue the presentation of awards to well deserving people who help make Kingston the great city it is by keeping its history alive today.

Respectfully submitted by
Paul J. Charbonneau
Chair, Awards Committee

d) The Editor's Report, *Historic Kingston* 70---2021

Historic Kingston 70 was published early in 2021. It was the first time that *Historic Kingston* contained mostly articles that had **not** been presented to the Society, since COVID protocols prevented those monthly meetings. Instead, we invited five regular contributors to submit articles on topics which they had not presented to the Society. In addition, we reprinted Agnes Maule Mahar's *Some Epochs in the Story of Old Kingston*, from the 1907 OHA annual meeting held here, the Kingston Frontenac Lennox and Addington Health Unit's view of COVID in Kingston, and a review of the last pandemic here, which lasted less than a month in 1918.

My thanks to KHS Council members who hand delivered *Historic Kingston* to in-city addresses, saving us much postage; and to Betty Andrews, eagle-eyed Copy Editor and Proof Reader extraordinaire, without whom *Historic Kingston* would be a much poorer publication.

Historic Kingston 71 will contain all of the 2021 Zoom talks, as well as a few extras. It should be in your hands in February.

We are also in the middle of preparing the indexes of *Historic Kingston* from Volume 46 to volume 71. These will then be integrated into the indexes available on line on the KFPL's web page, and will be available to all, whether in Kingston or not. We will let members know through *Limelight* when the present indexes are enhanced and updated.

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

e) The Editor's Report, *Limelight*---2021

Limelight is the newsletter of the Kingston Historical Society, published in nine monthly issues excepting September to May. Allan Graphics is the printer used.

Fifty-two copies of *Limelight* are mailed each month with other members receiving *Limelight* by email.

Featured monthly are ads for the KHS sponsors, the message from the president, a Murney Tower entry, the announcement of the presenter for the next meeting, and the Program Chair's report on the presentation at the last meeting. Also in this year's editions of *Limelight* were several Still Standing columns by Jennifer McKendry, excerpts from local artist Shirley Gibson-Langille's book, *Treasured Memories*, and articles of local historical interest, book reports and opinion pieces by members and other local historians.

Webmaster Peter Gower posts *Limelight* to the KHS website. Membership Chair Paul Van Nest proofreads each issue, posts the website link to those who receive *Limelight* by email and supplies labels for mailing *Limelight* to members who want a hardcopy.

Respectfully submitted by
Betty Andrews, Editor, *Limelight*

f) The Membership Report---2021

Type of Membership	2021	2020	2019	2018
Individuals	83	66	67	70
Families (each counted as 2)	86	78	96	78
Students	4	3	2	2
Life Members	11	13	13	15
Institutions	12	12	13	10
Sponsors	6	8	9	12
TOTAL	202	180	200	187

As you can see from the chart, we have done extremely well in attracting new members to the Society, despite the pandemic and the pivot to remote meetings. We gained 23 new members despite year 2 of this pandemic, which is a tribute to the Society's embracing ZOOM technology and the membership accepting it, and in some cases, relishing it. Duncan McDowall, as Program Chair, assembled a stellar list of presenters, which attracted many guests for each program. Some of these account for our increase in membership.

New Members = 25 plus 7 additional partners who joined. Losses were only 6, two of whom died: Jack Brown and Helen Channing.

Historic Kingston, Journal:

As keeper of the database, the Membership Chair also invoices and tracks sales of *Historic Kingston* to institutions. Vol. 70 (papers presented in 2020) was published on schedule (Feb'21), and I am pleased to report that we sold 18 journals: 11 to universities, 3 to public libraries, and 4 others.

Respectfully submitted by
Paul Van Nest, Chair, Membership

g) The Murney Tower National Historic Site Committee Report---2021

Despite the challenges of the pandemic this year, the Murney Tower team broke a lot of new ground. We opened our doors to the public after being closed in 2020. We would like to thank KEDCO for a grant that assisted us in purchasing all the necessary PPE needed to restructure our museum experience and run the Tower safely this summer. It was wonderful to have visitors back. I especially enjoyed giving guided tours during our wildly successful Doors Open Ontario weekend in September. We are also proud to have experimented with offering

“entry by donation” this year instead of a set admission fee. We hope this will allow more people to visit!

This year we launched our first-ever Murney Tower website. This huge milestone for our museum was made possible by a grant from Tourism Kingston and allows us to better serve our community through sharing our collection, exhibit, activities, research blog, programming, contests and more. We created an unprecedented volume of content this year thanks to a dedicated team of students and volunteers under the supervision of our curator, Simge Erdogan-O'Connor. Our “Murney in Retrospect” contest was especially popular, allowing us to build a collection of Murney images across the decades and supporting local businesses struggling during the pandemic by providing winners with gift cards from their shops.

It was also time to draw up our Strategic Plan for 2021-2026 as we approach our 100th anniversary. We conducted extensive community consultation through focus groups and surveys reaching out to Kingstonians asking what they want our museum to offer over the next five years. It is extremely important to ensure Murney remains relevant and of service to its community. Murney had ten media spots this year putting Kingston on the map! We also participated in many collaborations with community partners including The Phantoms of Yore, the Marine Museum, the Heritage Fair and the Kingston Association of Museums (KAM).

Our collections work continued in our new climate-controlled storage unit. We catalogued, cleaned and photographed artifacts. We also posted ten new research articles sharing Kingston's history through our collection via our website and social media. Our curator also launched a virtual series in which she shared artifacts with the public and answered questions.

Lastly, I would like to thank Parks Canada, the Kingston Historical Society and our museum committee for their stewardship over the Tower. Hats off to our staff, students, and volunteers for their hard work. I am also grateful to Queen's History Department, Queen's Conservation Program, Queen's Law Clinic, Queen's Engineering Department and Fleming College's Museum Program for all the help they provided us this year. Our deepest thanks also to the City of Kingston, Tourism Kingston, KEDCO and the KAM for all their support in keeping the Murney Tower Museum running.

For more about our work, please see the museum's year-end report which will be posted on the web site along with your AGM package. You can receive our monthly e-newsletter by emailing info@murneytower.com. Anyone interested in volunteering can contact me at: director@murneytower.com

Museum Committee 2021: Dr. Tabitha Renaud (Chair), Peter Ginn (KHS Treasurer), Tanya Scott, Liz Watkins, Don Richardson (KHS Secretary), Vincent Durant (KHS President) and Simge Erdogan-O'Connor (Manager & Curator).

Respectfully submitted, by
Tabitha Renaud, Director, Murney Tower

h) The Program Report---2021

The Society's lecture series again encountered a strong headwind throughout 2021 as the COVID pandemic continued to prevent lecturing before live audiences. A Zoom format was consequently adopted and used throughout the year. Thanks to the superb technical back-up provided by Paul Van Nest and Dr. Michelle Clarabut, the Zoom-based series provided KHS members and a considerable cohort of outside attendees with smooth lecture performance followed by lively question and answer sessions. All lectures were subsequently mounted for presentation on You Tube and will be published in the 2021 volume of *Historic Kingston*. Strategically, our Zoom lectures, while lacking the verve of an in-person event, did significantly expand our catchment area in terms of audience and also served as a stimulus to new membership. Zoom has also allowed us to draw on out-of-town speakers from well outside our traditional membership area.

A hybrid model of presenting our lectures simultaneously to both a live and Zoom audience was developed in the fall of 2021 for initiation in January 2022, but the resurgence of COVID has forced the delay of the implementation of this new format.

The following lectures were presented:

Wednesday, January 20th: Dr. Tim Cook -- "Forgetting, Remembering and Remaking Canada's Second World War."

Wednesday, February 17th: Victoria Cosby -- "Kingston Through Her Eyes: Harriett Dobbs Cartwright and Her Adopted Home"

Wednesday, March 3rd: Marc Seguin -- "The Lighthouses of Kingston: Guiding Ships Through the Graveyard of Lake Ontario, 1828 to 1914"

Wednesday, April 14th: Dr. Tabitha Renaud -- "Without Words: The Communication Barrier Between Indigenous Peoples and the Earliest European Explorers in North America."

Wednesday, May 12th: Heather Home & Janice McAlpine -- "Community Archiving: the Kingston LGBTQ Archives as Collaborative Model."

Wednesday, September 15th: John Immerseel -- "For a Better Life: Post-War Dutch Immigration to Canada with Special Reference to the Prominent Dutch Community Resident in Kingston."

Wednesday, October 20th: Dr. Duncan McDowall -- "Sir Edward Peacock Finds Fame and Fortune in London."

Wednesday, November 15th: Barry Cahill -- "Icarus Revisited: The Short Life and Tragic Death of Norman McLeod Rogers."

Respectfully submitted by
Duncan McDowall, Chair, Program

i) The Publicity Report---2021

During 2021 we carried on with the traditional routes to publicize KHS events: box ads in *Kingston This Week* to give dates and brief descriptions of upcoming lectures; press releases a couple of weeks before the lectures or other events, and targeted releases for specific events.

An example of a targeted release would be our reach-out to the Kingston Dutch community, as well as the Dutch embassy in Ottawa for the September 2021 Zoom-based illustrated talk on post-war immigration to Canada. One of the few benefits to flow from the current pandemic is the ability to Zoom out beyond the Kingston community with the lectures. In the case of the September talk, people tuned in from Toronto, Ottawa, and even over in Europe!

The press releases and newspaper advertisements work hand-in-glove with outreach provided through the KHS website, and the significant effort by our membership chairperson to keep members and their guests informed about upcoming events.

Over the past couple of years KHS, and especially the Murney Tower Museum, have received a significant boost in publicity through the development of the MTM website and the Museum's presence on social media platforms such as Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram.

Respectfully submitted by
Vincent Durant, Chair, Publicity

j) The Sir John A. Macdonald June 6 Graveside Ceremony Committee Report---2021

The 127th Sir John A. Macdonald Graveside Commemoration Service: A Virtual Gravesite Service

The commemorative service of 2021 on the 130th anniversary of Sir John A. Macdonald's death could likely be called "The Year of Challenges". Last year our service was cancelled because of the COVID-19 pandemic. This year, however, we decided to have a service in spite of the COVID virus but within the restrictions laid out by the government.

We have been blessed in having in our Council very knowledgeable and creative members with a superb grasp of the new computer and internet technology and capabilities. With input from them we decided to tape the service in pieces and then paste it together. The final version was then posted on the KHS website at 1:30 on 6 June, 2021. It is still on our website to be viewed at any time.

Our service began with still photos from previous services. Our Master of Ceremonies, Secretary Don Richardson, began with acknowledging the recent horrors in discovering the unmarked graves of 2015 indigenous children at the Residential School in Kamloops, British Columbia. He expressed the sincere grief felt and is still felt by the Society.

Mr. Richardson followed with his opening remarks and welcome to all who would be watching not just locally but nationally and internationally. Our Canadian national anthem was played. Christine Breunke, the Secretary of the Cataraqui Cemetery Board, brought greetings and welcome. The Reverend Canon Blair Peever of Christ Church Cataraqui gave the Scripture Reading and opening prayer. Our KHS President, Vincent Durant, brought words of welcome and then introduced our guest speaker, The Honourable Hugh Segal.

Mr. Segal recognized not just Sir John A. Macdonald's achievements as the major Father of Confederation but also Sir John's failings. Further, he viewed "those First Nation Chiefs as the Grandfathers of Confederation and it is high time they receive the tribute and commemoration they too deserve. Historical Societies here and elsewhere should lead the campaign for that to happen, as should the Canadian Department of Heritage." We must build "real bridges that recognize our obligations to First Nations will require continued effort by our entire society and community." In closing our guest speaker stated: "this country must shoulder that debt and obligation, in respectful partnership with our First Nations brothers and sisters. And we must recognize too that Canada would not be here, would not be part of our common heritage without the efforts of the politician and former MP for Kingston who lies steps from where we stand. Commemoration is an important part of using the past, with all its victories and setbacks, to build a better future."

In the past we would usually have the laying of fourteen wreaths by representative of our three levels of government and organizations affiliated with Sir John at his grave site. This year, given the restrictions of group size, we asked His Worship, Mayor Bryan Paterson, to be our sole wreath layer. The benediction was given by The Reverend Canon Blair Peever. This was followed by a moment of silence, The Lament and the Last Post. We closed with God Save The Queen. Afterwards, we were treated to a series of historical photos that were taken of Sir John's 1891 funeral, his 'lying in state, and other photos of those who viewed various aspects of his death and burial.

The success of this first virtual Gravesite Service is the result of many hours of diligent attention to detail by the following: Donald Richardson our M.C., Dr. Craig Pettis our Video Recorder and Producer, Paul Van Nest our Director and Asst. Producer, Simge Erdogan-O'Connor, the Webinar Host, Peter Ginn and Eva Barnes our photographers

Respectfully submitted by
Alan MacLachlan, Chair, June 6 Committee

k) The Web Site Committee Report---2021

The Society's web site (kingstonhistoricalsociety.ca) is designed as an informative place, giving details of our meetings and those of other historically minded groups in Kingston; and links to the Murney Tower and to the KFPL indexes to *Historic Kingston*. You can join the Society, or renew your subscription, and ask questions. We get Kingston related questions (and some not Kingston related!) from many places, and we try to answer them, or refer the

writer to somebody who can! My thanks to Paul Van Nest who answers my technical questions, and to Brian Chard, of Brian Chard Design, who designed and maintains the site.

Respectfully submitted by
Peter Gower, Webmaster

8. The Treasurer's Report---2021

In 2021 the Society was able to reinstitute some of its activities curtailed in 2020 albeit in a different form. The move to ZOOM monthly presentations, and a virtual commemoration ceremony of Sir John A's passing on June 6, certainly helped to reduce normal costs. The generosity of members through donations contributed significantly to the Society's solid financial year-end. At the end of the year we also benefited from a \$3,700 credit related to long past insurance. The General Fund had a significant operating surplus in 2021, and has bank deposits and investments of over \$105,000 at year-end.

The Murney Tower Museum was unable to welcome in person visits for much of 2021. Limited visits were possible by reservation towards the end of the summer. There was no formal admission charge but donations helped to offset this. In addition, there was considerable activity behind the scenes and on social media. Thanks to grants from Young Canada Works, Canada Summer Jobs and the City of Kingston's Heritage Grant, the staff required to carry them out could be funded without dipping into our reserves. The Tower has ended the year with an operating surplus and has more than \$65,000 in bank deposits.

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 2021 financial records for the Society.

Respectively submitted by Peter Ginn, Treasurer

February 11, 2022 To: The Members of Kingston Historical Society

I have reviewed the financial records of the Society for 2021 and in my opinion they are in compliance with the Society's Constitution, Bylaws and policies.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Petty

9. Ratification of business conducted by Council during the operating year 2021: P. Ginn

10. Presentation of the General & Murney Tower budgets for 2022 as approved by Council: P. Ginn

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

12. Appointment of non-Council member to review financial records or 2022: P. Ginn

13. Constitutional amendments: P. Gower

Council has approved the following 2 amendments to the constitution:

- a) **Current:** Constitution, Part A, III, Council,
 1. The conduct of the affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to a council constituted as follows:
 - (a) five executive officers, namely the president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, and immediate past-president;
 - (b) seven elected councilors, and
 - (c) four appointed councillors, namely the director of the Murney Tower committee, the editor of *Historic Kingston*, the editor of the newsletter and the Society's internet webmaster. (Amended 15 February 2017)

Proposed:

Delete from the Constitution, Part A, III, Council, 1, (c) "four appointed councillors, namely the director of the Murney Tower committee, the editor of *Historic Kingston*, the editor of the newsletter, and the Society's webmaster. (Amended 15 February 2017)"

Note: Section, Council, 1, (b) will now simply read "seven elected councilors. (Amended 16 February 2022)"

Rationale: There are two reasons for this amendment. First, the total number of members of Council as currently mandated i.e.16 is considered to be more than is essential, and can contribute to meetings being longer than necessary. Secondly, and most importantly, it is becoming increasingly difficult to draw volunteers to sit on Council. Assigning specific roles to those 12 who do so decide, streamlines Council, avoids the scenario just mentioned, and still permits us to continue the work of Council.

b) **Current:** Constitution, Part A, III, Council, "The conduct of the affairs of the Society shall be entrusted to a council constituted as follows: 2, Members of the council, with the exception of the past-president and the appointed councillors, are to be elected annually by the membership of the Society. (Amended 18 April 2007)

Proposed: Delete from the Constitution, Part A, III, Council, 2, "and the appointed councillors", and replace "(Amended 18 April 2007)" with "(Amended 16 February 2022).

Rationale: This section is rendered redundant by the adoption of the first motion.

14. Nominations and Election of Officers and Council

Nominations Committee Report

Proposed slate of Council for 2022-23

Executive Officers

President	Paul Charbonneau
Vice-President	Peter Gower
Secretary	Don Richardson
Treasurer	Peter Ginn
Past-President	Vincent Durant

Elected Councillors (7)

Betty Andrews

Warren Everett

Alan MacLachlan

Dr. Duncan McDowall

Dr. Tabitha Renaud

Anne Richardson

Paul Van Nest

The names appearing above are people who have agreed to serve on the Kingston Historical Society Council for the 2022-2023 year.

Appointed Councillors:

For the 2022 to 2023 Council year, the appointed positions will be held by the following councillors:

Chair, Murney Tower Museum Committee

Dr. Tabatha Renaud

Editor, *Historic Kingston*

Peter Gower

Editor, *Limelight*

Betty Andrews

Webmaster

Peter Gower

Nominations Committee members: Chair, Warren Everett, Susan Everett, Paul Van Nest

Respectively submitted by
Warren Everett, Chair, Nominations Committee

15. New Business: P. Charbonneau

16. Closing remarks: P. Charbonneau

17. Adjournment: P. Charbonneau

APPENDIX A

The Kingston Historical Society

Recipients of KHS Awards

- 1993 **Dr. W. Breck**: historian; active member
Shirley Gibson-Langille: artist, active member
Dr. George F. G. Stanley: historian and executive member
- 1994 **Dr. William Angus**: historian, active member
Frederick A. McConnell: curator, historical animator, executive member
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 Fittell**: 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
George W. Vosper: public official, preservation activist, museum benefactor
- 2005 **Kevin E. Reed**: teacher, driving force behind KCVI War Memorial

- Robert C. Cardwell:** active in local historical and heritage groups and events
- 2006 **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
- 2013 **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*
- 2015 **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.
- 2020 Cancelled because of COVID-19 provincial regulations.
- 2021 **Susan Hannah and Bob Hilderley**: Bob was a long-time president of Quarry Press (later The Kingston Press), and Susan later joined this venture. They encouraged Kingston authors and were responsible for printing many books specific to Kingston's history. They produced two wonderful editions of Kingston's calendar, and their contribution to Kingston's writers of history has been invaluable.
Paul Robertson: Currently the curator for the city of Kingston, Paul has a long and illustrious career in journalism, history and museum technology, and has done a great deal to oversee Kingston's wonderful collection of art and artifacts. Through his work and determination, Paul has reinforced our city's storied history and culture.

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. Fittell
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
2020-22	Mr. Vincent Durant