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Next Meeting

Monday, March 16, 8:00 p.m.

Chelsea United Church
Mill Road, Chelsea

Chief William Commanda

**"Native History in the
Gatineau Valley"**

William Commanda is former Chief of, and currently elder of Kitigan Zibi Anishanabeg (formerly the "River Desert Band") of Maniwaki. He last spoke to the Historical Society 8 years ago.

Please join us for this interesting presentation. Bring a friend.

Coming Events

April 27: **Gilles Lachance**, a translator with the Translation Bureau, Secretary of State: "Integrating History with the Present"

May 25: **Norma Geggie**: Wool and spinning.

June 15: **Dr. George Bolotenko**, National Archives of Canada: "1867 - the Year of Confederation."

PLEASE NOTE: ALL FUTURE MEMBERS' MEETINGS WILL BE HELD IN THE UNITED CHURCH IN CHELSEA

New Executive

Here is a list of the new Board of Directors of the Historical Society, elected at the Annual General Meeting on February 17:

President: Jay Atherton

1st Vice President: Carol Martin

2nd Vice President: Allan Richens

Past President: Douglas Rowland

Directors: Stuart Geggie

Dave Castleman

Beth Macfie

Norm Grant

Valerie Hiscocks

A complete list of all officers and committee chairs will appear in the next issue of the Newsletter.



Award Winners

A highlight of the recent annual general meeting was the presentation of award certificates to a number of deserving Gatineauites.

Rolf Latté received an Honourary Life Membership for his years of service to the Society, particularly his work with the Search for History Committee.

Awards of Honour were presented to:

Andy Tommy for his dedication in preserving the Fairbairn/McNally House in Wakefield;

Ernie Mahoney, in recognition of his longstanding support for the Society, especially through the pages of the West Quebec Post;

Commander **Tony German** for his many written contributions to increased interest in history among young people as well as "oldsters";

Rae Moore and **Marjorie Evis**, whose hard work over a number of years has contributed significantly to communication among the members of the Society.

The Arthur Davison Prize, consisting of a certificate and a cash award, went to **Carol Martin**, for her contribution to the 1991 issue of *Up the Gatineau!*

Congratulations to all!

- Jay Atherton

