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N e x t M e e t i n g

Monday, April 27th, 8.00 pm

Chelsea United Church
Mill Road, Chelsea

Gilles Lachance

Translator with the Translation Bureau, Secretary of State.

"Integrating History with the Present"

Mr. Lachance's interest in history stems from the study of history at university, six years of teaching history at the high school and college level and ten years of interpreting history for Parks Canada. At a time when many new projects are being undertaken in historic areas, Mr. Lachance's presentation will be of great interest to us all.

C o m i n g E v e n t s

May 25th: Norma Geggie: Wool and spinning.

June 15th: 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.

UP THE GATINEAU!

There is still time to contribute to this year's Up the
Gatineau! For information contact Carol Martin (827- 1633)

President's Message

I must start by saying how gratified I am to have been elected to this post for the next year. We have a good board of officers and committee chairs - all of which are listed, with telephone numbers, in this newsletter. Please give us a call if you have questions, suggestions, comments, or wish to offer some help.

This summer will be a busy one at the Mill and Museum, especially due to the Wakefield Train project. The Museum will be getting a fresh coat of paint, to spruce it up. Doug Rowland, Stuart Geggie, David Geggie, Bill Place, and all the others on the Mill/Museum Committee will be working hard to make the season a success. They may need some help from the membership, so stand by for further information in the next month or so.

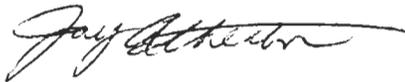
We have an enthusiastic Program Committee this year, consisting of Colin Chisholm, Connie Carr, and Valerie Hiscocks. Our first three meetings, in January with Jean Pigott, the annual meeting in February with Bob Phillips as keynote speaker, and March with Chief William Commanda, got us off to a roaring start. Our April session on architectural heritage with Gilles Lachance should keep the momentum going. We have settled on a very comfortable meeting place, the United Church in Chelsea, so there is no reason why we cannot have a good turnout every month.

James Strate has agreed to chair the Auction Committee. Judging by the enthusiasm shown in previous years, the 1992 edition of the auction and flea market should be a fun time for all. Watch for details in upcoming newsletters.

Our newest venture this year is a photography contest, to mark the termination of the Gatineau River log drive. A preliminary notice appears in the newsletter. Plans are getting under way quickly, and updates will appear every month. Members who would like to help with this event are asked to call Carol Martin (827-1633), Allan Richens (827-1616), or me (827-1703).

Work is under way on a couple of publications. A French language edition of *Touring the Two Chelseas* will appear shortly; and Carol Martin has begun work on the 1992 edition of *Up the Gatineau!*

Finally, a major concern this year is the declining size of the membership of the Society, which has fallen from close to 400 to below 300 over the past few years. At its next meeting on April 6 the Executive will be discussing initiatives that might be taken. Anyone who would be interested in working on a membership committee is invited to call Yvonne Jurgens (827-3635).



HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF THE GATINEAU

Executive, Officers, & Committee Chairs, 1992

POSITION	NAME	HOME	OFFICE	FAX
<u>Executive</u>				
President	Jay Atherton	827-1703	995-3525	995-2267
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2nd Vice President	Allan Richens	827-1616		
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	Dave Castleman	827-1610		
	Beth Macfie	827-4237	595-0052	595-5091
	Norm Grant	827-1351		
	Valerie Hiscocks	827-0543		
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Secretary	Muriel How	827-1274	738-7033	
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Annual Report Editor	(Newsletter Editor)			
<u>Committee Chairs</u>				
Research	?			
Cemetery	George Gould	827-4309		
Publications	Joan Gherson	827-0050		
Finance	David Castleman	827-1610		
Auction	James Strate	827-2237		
Program	Colin Chisholm	827-0512		
	Connie Carr	595-3046		
	Valerie Hiscocks	827-0543		
Publicity	Allan Richens	827-1616		
Nominations	Doug Rowland	459-3043	954-1795	
Awards	Patrick M.O. Evans	827-2675		
Wakefield Bridge	Jacques Mercier	459-1118		
Mill and Museum	Doug Rowland	459-3043	954-1795	
	- Mill	David Geggie	827-1560	
	- Museum	Stuart Geggie	459-2393	
Membership?				

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"LOGGING UP THE GATINEAU"

Photographic Show and Contest

Summer 1992

Preliminary Notice

To commemorate and illustrate the history of the log drive on the Gatineau River, the Historical Society of the Gatineau is sponsoring a photographic show and contest.

Photographs may be archival or recently taken. The subject: anything to do with the logging industry on the Gatineau River.

Prizes to be awarded for most artistic and most historically interesting photographs.

Judging by a panel of noted Gatineau area photographers and historians.

Photographs may be in black and white or colour (no slides).

- size 5" x 7" or 8" x 10"
- mounted for hanging

Each photograph must be identified (date, place, description, anecdote, etc.), which should be attached to (not written on) the reverse of the photograph

Open to Historical Society members and others. Non-members entry fee of \$5 - or why not take out a membership (\$15)! Maximum three entries per participant.

Deadline for entries: June 30. Details on place to bring entries in next newsletter.

Judging and awarding of prizes at Wakefield Mill/Museum complex in mid-August. Entries will be on display in the Wakefield Mill following the judging and presentation of prizes.

The Historical Society of the Gatineau will endeavour to maintain proper security of submissions, but entrants will be responsible for any required insurance.

The Historical Society may wish to photograph some of the entries at its expense, with the resulting negatives and prints being deposited in the Society's Archives. These photographs will be identified as to origin. Unless specified otherwise, copyright will be retained by the originator.

For further information call Carol Martin (827-1633), Allan Richens (827-1616), or Jay Atherton (827-1703). Watch for full details in the April newsletter.

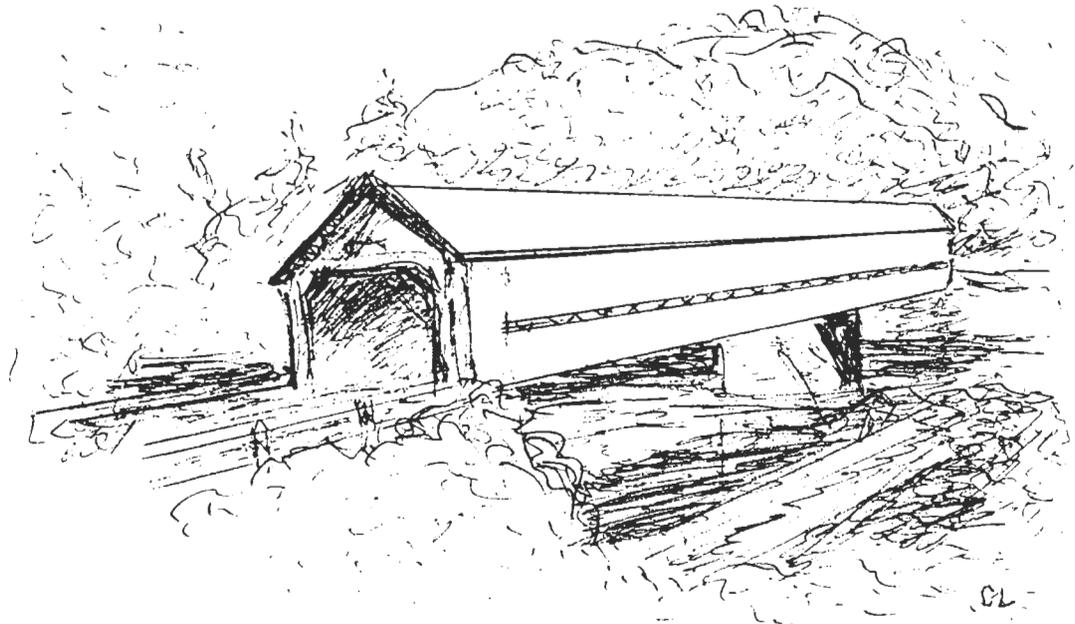
Wakefield Covered Bridge Calendar

Just in time for Easter and Mother's Day gift-giving an attractive, bilingual May 1992 - May 1993 Wakefield Covered Bridge calendar is now available at many stores and other outlets in this area.

The calendar features colour pictures drawn by the Wakefield elementary school students who were winners in the Covered Bridge art contest held last year. Their art portrays community activities that have obviously made a deep impression on the young artists, and includes some excellent drawings of the Gendron Bridge. The calendar also briefly traces the history of the old bridge.

The art calendar sells for \$ 10.-- including tax, and all proceeds go to the Covered Bridge building fund. Copies may also be ordered by mail addressed to Box 444, Wakefield, Que. J0X 3G0, or by telephone at 459 2773.

Anita Rutledge.



New Members: The Historical Society of the Gatineau wishes to welcome Mr. Michael Cooper, Mr. Michael and Mrs. Catherine Joyce, Mr. James Milks and Mr. James Strate (Committee chair for the 1992 Auction) as new members.