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Our Next Meeting:

Monday, April 15, 8:00 p.m.

Chelsea Community Centre
Old Chelsea

ANDREW RODGER
National Archives of Canada

"Photography and the Historian"

Photography is multifaceted: for the artist it can be a viable art form; for the scientist, a means of recording observations; for the snapshotter, a remembrance of things past. However, all photographs contain information, and often this information can be used by people doing historical research. Using slides to illustrate his talk, Mr. Rodger will discuss both the history of photography and the ways in which photographs can be used as historical documentation.

If you have any photographs you would like to discuss with him, he would be delighted to see them. Unexpected bits of photographic history turn up in the most unexpected places!

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Born in Edmonton, Alberta, and a graduate of Carleton University, Andrew Rodger has been an archivist in the Documentary Art and Photography Division of the National Archives of Canada since 1975.

He has published articles in a variety of publications ranging from the *Dictionary of Canadian Biography* to the

Historical Journal of Film, Radio, and Television. He is currently working on a history of photography in Ontario in the 19th century.

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Refreshments from 7:30 to 8:00 p.m.

BRING A FRIEND!

Highlights of Executive Meeting, Feb. 11

Office Move: Plans are in place for moving of office to Chelsea administration building, February 27.

Program Chair: No volunteer yet found. Individual board members organizing future meetings.

Mill and Museum: Bill Place demonstrated interactive exhibits he has designed and built for use in the Mill.

Cemetery: No activity: dead quiet.

Heritage Day: Lack of activity and interest noted; ideas given for future events.

Search for History Committee: Confirmed that executive would be developing a new mandate during spring and summer.

- Jay Atherton



Seeing Pink?

Do you see a pink mark on your address label? This means that we have not yet received your membership renewal at the time of the mailing of this newsletter. The membership fee (including all family members) is \$15 for one year \$25 for two years. Please send a cheque, made out to "Historical Society of the Gatineau", to the address on our masthead. Better yet - come to the next meeting and take care of it there.

Quote of the Month

"Great abilities are not requisite for an Historian ...
Imagination is not required in any high degree."

- Samuel Johnson

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