

# **Dawson and Hind**

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William George Richardson Hind accompanied his brother, Henry Youle Hind, as official artist, when the latter was in command of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan exploration expedition of 1858, W. Hind

revisited the North West in 1863-64 and

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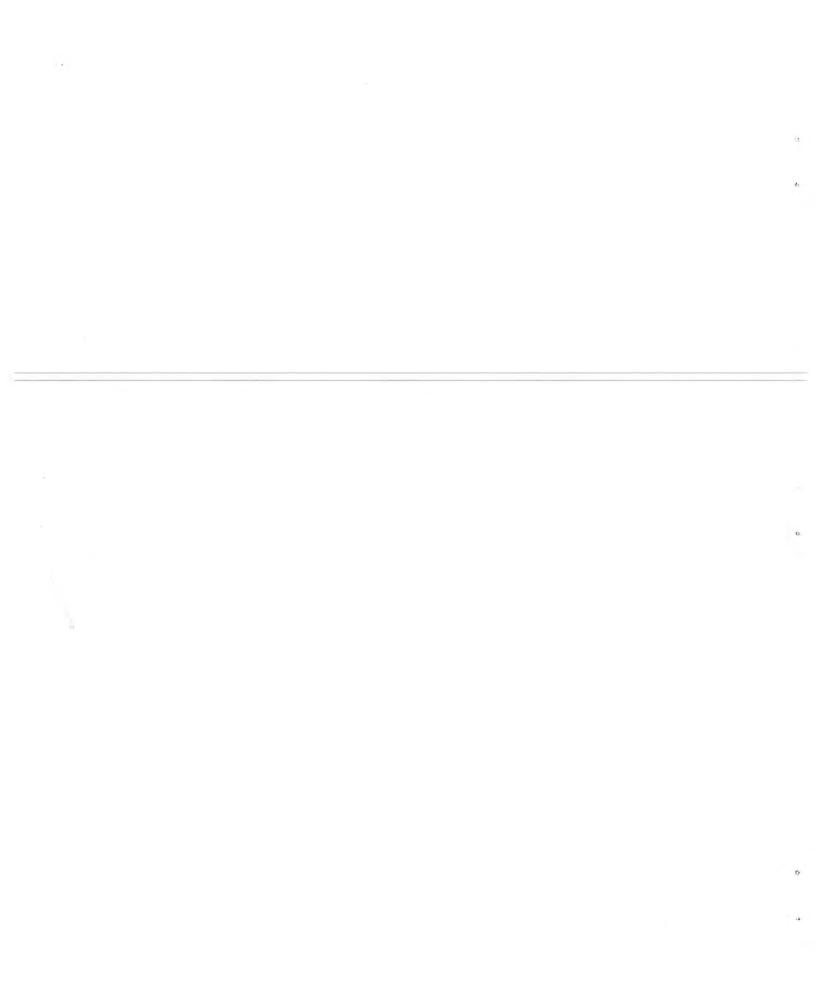
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The advancement of museum services in Manitoba by:

- a) promoting the protection and preservation of objects, specimens, records and sites significant to the natural and human history of Manitoba
- b) aiding in the improvement of museums in their role as educational institutions
- c) acting as a clearing-house for information of special interest to museums
- d) promoting the exchange of exhibition material and the arrangement of exhibitions
- e) co-operating with other associations with similar aims
- f) other methods as may from time to time be deemed appropriate

Invitation To Membership

You are invited to join the Association of Manitoba Museums so as to take part in its activities and provide support for its projects.

#### Activities and Projects

A number of activities and projects are planned to help the AMM achieve its objectives. These include:

- a) the publication of a regular newsletter and/or quarterly to discuss the activities of the museums, provide information on exhibits, and to distribute technical and curatorial information
- b) a regularly updated list of museums in the Province, including their main fields of interest and a list of personnel
- c) conducting training seminars aimed at discussing problems of organization, financing, managing and exhibitions at an introductory level
- d) organizing travelling exhibits to tour Manitoba
- e) the completion of a provincial inventory to assist in preserving our cultural heritage

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Student Councillor	Annual Budget		Membership Fee
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	1,001	20,000	15.
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### **Editor's Forum**

B. DIANE SKALENDA Editor Dawson and Hind

Surprised not to find a photograph of a community museum on the cover of this issue of Dawson and Hind? Night lights — in a broken English car by Manitoba artist Steve Gouthro is just one example of the many fine pieces of art found in art galleries and museums throughout Manitoba. This issue is dedicated to those galleries and museums—and the artists they feature.

In his article, *The Moving Picture Show*, Don DeGrow of the Winnipeg Art Gallery's extension department, explains how you can obtain such a lithograph for exhibit at your museum. As many of our readers know, Brother Jacques Volant of the Eskimo Museum in Churchill was awarded an Award of Merit at the Canadian Museums Association conference last spring. He was recognized for his "devotion and efforts over the past 50 years in gathering and documenting much of the northern material culture which has resulted in one of the finest Inuit art collections in the world." A beautifully illustrated article by Lorraine Brandson on this famous collection begins on page 31.

The Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre is also the site of a number of art exhibitions throughout the year. Director Denise Desjarlis tells our readers how the activities of this Centre enrich the lives of the residents of this isolated northern mining community. Articles on the Brandon Allied Arts Centre, Gallery Oseredok, and the Winnipeg Art Gallery's seniors programme, reflect how these institutions enrich the lives of all Manitobans.

Practical problems, and solutions, are discussed in Operation Paper Lift by Peter Bower and Charles Brandt of the Provincial Archives of Manitoba, and A Rolled Storage System for Textiles by Phil Eyler of the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature.

To close this issue, AMM President, Tim Worth, gives an account of his observations at the CMA 1981 Conference held in Ottawa. We hope you enjoy this art gallery-oriented issue and that it will heighten your appreciation of the treasures our art museums contain and the programmes they offer.

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### UPDATE:

### Birth of a Museum

The Interlake Agricultural Museum was recently incorporated in Arborg, Manitoba. The museum became an entity by way of a bequest of antique farm machinery by Mr. August Eliasson of Arnes, Manitoba. The aim of the museum is to relate the story of the agricultural development of the Interlake area and to preserve that history for future generations. The museum will be located in Arborg.

### Aviation Museum Appoints Technical Curator

The Board of Directors of the Western Canada Aviation Museum is pleased to announce the appointment of K.D. (Keith) Olson to the newlycreated position of Technical Curator. In this capacity, Keith will be responsible for the work of the Operations, Restoration and Archives sections, including the Photo Library, and will report to the Board of Directors through the Executive Director.

### Historic Wagon Trek

The Saskatchewan Western Development Museums plan to participate in the centennial celebrations of both Saskatoon and Moose Jaw in 1982 through the recreation of a wagon trek between the two cities. The eleven-day trip will be held from June 21 to July 1, 1982. Pioneer-minded people are being recruited now to join in this project, and it is hoped that at least 15 to 20 wagons will make the journey. Saskatoon was founded by the Temperance Colonization Society in 1882. Settlers travelled from Eastern Canada to Moose Jaw which was, at the time, the end of the rails. From there, these pioneers journeyed north to Saskatoon by wagon.

In this recreation, organizers plan to keep the journey as historically accurate as possible. Attempts will be made to follow original trails where feasible, to carry out daily activities as the early pioneers would have done, and hopefully to gain an appreciation of the hardships overcome by these adventurous people.

To obtain further information, contact Diana Matthews, Public Relations and Promotions Coordinator, Western Development Museum, Box 1910, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan S7K 3S5.

### **CMA** Correspondence Course

The Correspondence Course of the Canadian Museums Association is presently being revised. In view of the changes that need to be made in the course and the work involved, the Executive Committee of the CMA has decided to suspend course registration effective immediately until the review is completed, which is anticipated in early 1982. However, students already enrolled will be able to complete their course as agreed. The CMA hopes this interruption will not cause any inconvenience, however, they are confident it will result in an improved and updated new correspondence course for the benefit of all.



Brother Jacques Volant (left) of the Eskimo Museum at Churchill receiving CMA Award of Merit from Brenda Birks while Bishop O. Robidoux looks on Lorraine Brandson

### The Moving Picture Show

DON DE GROW Associate Curator, Extension Services Winnipeg Art Gallery

Question: "What do the following towns and English minister during the 19th century. He made and Calgary, Alberta; Timmins, Ontario; Montreal, Quebec; Campbellton, New Brunswick; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; Whitehorse, Yukon; and Fort Smith, Northwest Territories?".

"Well, they are all in North America!" True, but it's not the answer I was looking for.

"They are all Canadian cities!" Again true, but still not the right answer.

"O.K., they all have street lamps and sidewalks!" You're probably right, but still not the answer.

Give up? The answer to the question is that each of these cities and towns are locations to which the Winnipeg Art Gallery Extension Services regularly sends exhibitions. In fact, they represent only a fraction of the communities which host our shows each year.

As the name implies, the fundamental responsibility of the Extension Services department is to extend gallery activities outside of the four walls of the Winnipeg Art Gallery. This is carried out by organizing exhibitions designed to circulate across Canada. The scope of these shows vary a great deal, from small exhibitions suitable for community art galleries and national exhibition centres, to large shows destined for major institutions in other parts of the country.

The exhibitions encompass many different themes and types of work. For example, Sketchbook: Relatives-Floating Between the Doors, by Steve Gouthro, Watercolours by Nicolas Howard McGachen, is an 1979. Colour lithograph. Ed: 30, 3/30. Printed by the artist, exhibition of 30 small watercolours done by this Moosehead Press

cities have in common-Leaf Rapids and Pinawa, several trips to Canada and kept a diary of his travels Manitoba; Hazelton, British Columbia; Moose Jaw by making quick watercolour sketches. McGachen's and Swift Current, Saskatchewan; Medicine Hat wonderment at the strange, exotic and, to him,



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of the titles of the sketches:

"Lake Superior-large enough to engulf Ireland- which occur during the process. 600 feet above sea level -3 day's passage. August. 1888."

Steranko: Graphic Narrative. This show features the artists who deal with contemporary issues and ideas work of comic book artist, Jim Steranko, who work- in their work-Eleanor Bond, Lew Colborne, Allan ed for Marvel Comics on such publications as Geske and Steve Gouthro. The show will travel Nick Fury, Strange Tales and Captain America. to Swift Current and Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan; Comic book heroes are loved by children as well as Leaf Rapids, Manitoba; and Edmonton, Banff and a great many adults. The exhibition traces the artist's Red Deer, Alberta during its tour. role as a narrator and explains and discusses, in relation to the artist's notes and rough sketches, the from the Extension Services of the Winnipeg Art technical aspects of "covers", "splash pages", Gallery, however, often security and environmental "narrative inserts", "catalytic sequences" and conditions in certain centres are not suitable. In "story endings".

viewer the opportunity to see a number of Inuit program is designed to introduce a variety of visual prints and drawings by artists in Baker Lake. The experiences to students and the public through exhitheme of the exhibition is the transition from the bitions of high-quality reproductions.

enormous Canadian landscape is reflected in several initial drawing to a finished, limited edition print, showing both the similarities and the contrasts

The Artists' Proof is another exhibition using printmaking as a theme but with a totally different Contrast such a traditional exhibition to flavour. It features prints by four young Winnipeg

Exhibitions of original works of art are available those situations we offer a travelling Reproduction Baker Lake Prints and Print Drawings gives the Exhibition Program. Geared mainly for schools, the



Looking Up the St. Lawrence River Above Quebec by Nicolas Howard McGachen from the exhibition "Sketchbook: Watercolours by Nicolas Howard McGachen", Watercolour, Collection of the Winnipeg Art Gallery, donated by the estate of Mrs. Allan Morrison David Barbour, WAG

The exhibitions are organized thematically to provide introductory surveys into the history of art from ancient to contemporary times. The subjects explored are diverse and stimulating, covering the formal elements of art and the development of period and personal styles.

The program is divided into two sections; one for Winnipeg, the other for outside the city proper. Each school will receive six exhibitions travelling in continuous circuits from October to June.

Titles of a number of the exhibitions include Elements of Art: Shapes and Textures; Canadian Painters; Beyond the Group of Seven; Colour and Form; Other Places, Other Times; and The Importance of Line.

One of our prime concerns is for the safety of the works of art while on display. Therefore, if your institution has not had an exhibition from us before, you will also receive a gallery facilities form. Your of Mrs. Allan Morrison completed form will tell us the size and shape of your display area; as well as your security and environmental controls. This information will help us determine what exhibitions might be suitable for your space.

Security and environmental requirements will vary from exhibition to exhibition, as will costs. In certain cases where the Winnipeg Art Gallery has secured additional funding, there may be no costs whatsoever. In other cases there may be a rental fee or a fee plus one-way transportation to the next exhibiting centre. The costs are quite reasonable and include labels, insurance and background information on the show.

Extension exhibitions are all securely crated and transported, where possible, by commercial carrier. Each exhibiting centre receives a list of the pieces housed in each crate; as well as detailed packing and unpacking instructions. At the end of a showing, the institution is asked to complete a condition report on the works in the exhibition so that damage can be monitored and repaired. In addition, a publicity and attendance report is requested so that we can gauge the public's reaction to the show.

The Extension Services circulated approximately 14 shows during the past year. To find out what exhibitions are available and how to borrow a show, simply phone or write the Winnipeg Art Gallery. We will send you an information package with descriptions of each of the exhibitions and a booking form for the shows.

### Other Services

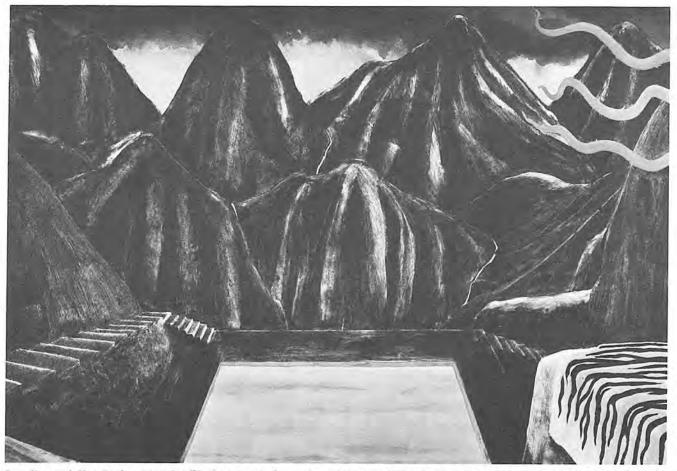
More things happen in an art gallery than just having works of art installed on the walls. Auxil- Skyward 1980 by Allan Geske, from the exhibition: "The liary activities include lectures and workshops, Artists' Proof", Intaglio, ed: 20, A/P. Printed by the artist. slide presentations and art classes. To the limit of Collection of the artist.



Langenberg on the Prairie, Just Commenced by Nicolas Howard McGachen from the exhibition "Sketchook: Watercolours by Nicolas Howard McGachen". Watercolour. Collection of the Winnipeg Art Gallery. Donated by the estate David Barbour, WAG



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Paradise and Hot Baths, 1980 by Eleanor Bond, from the exhibition: "The Artists' Proof". Lithograph and pochoir, hand coloured, ed. 20, A/P. Printed by the artist and Steve Gouthro, Moosehead Press. Collection of the artist

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vide the same types of activities to the communi- ment of the visual arts in the province. Extension ties we serve. For example, a community which is Services' role in the province is that of a catalyst to hosting an exhibition may desire a slide lecture to assist this growing interest in art. We are always recompliment the show or a workshop on a certain ceptive to new ideas and suggestions from the aspect of the visual arts. Often institutions or groups communities we serve. will call us with certain questions or problems dealing with art and art-related areas. These questions Moving Picture Show? range from care and handling of exhibits to biographical information on artists. In addition, Ex- that Extension Services' main job is to move and tension Services is more than willing to advise and circulate pictures, works of art, and exhibitions of assist in the organization of visual arts events, such the highest quality available. The second reason for as juried art shows and visual art festivals.

sources of the gallery available to as wide a public didn't it? as possible so that they may learn about art and, possibly more important, have an enjoyable experi- For further information, contact: ence. Unlike provinces such as Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia which have a large number of art galleries and national exhibition centres, Manitoba has relatively few visual arts facilities outside Winnipeg. However, it does have a large number of interested and active people, clubs

our resources, Extension Services attempts to pro- and organizations which are striving for the develop-

Question: "Why was this article called The

There are two reasons for the title. The first is the title was to grab your interest and attention. If Extension Services endeavours to make the re- you've read this far, I guess it means it worked,

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### Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre

DENISE DESJARLAIS Director Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre

The Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre attempts to serve a unique northern community. North of the 56th parallel, this one-industry community strives desperately to obtain stability against great odds. What role can the exhibition centre play to further this goal? To date much has been accomplished despite monetary restrictions faced by many cultural centres; as well as additional expenses incurred due to our isolated location and special problems peculiar to Leaf Rapids.

"Ah, what is this place?" A newcomer timidly pokes his nose in the door. There are no bright lights outside the door screaming information about the exhibition centre. Perhaps there are pictures on the wall or artifacts in the plastic cubes, however, without a personal invitation that person may just walk by going next door to the morefamiliar library. Tourists on the other hand seek out new experiences and do not hesitate to come in. There is no doubt that the exhibition centre does have to work at attracting visitors. It relies on public relations, advertising, and its reputation to inform the public of its services. The exhibition centre is located in a Town Centre complex which opened in 1974 and houses nearly all community facilities including one grocery store, department store, small clothing store, music shop, hotel and pub, school, restaurant, hospital, theatre, public and school gymnasium, curling rink, hockey arena, municipal offices, post office, and offices for the dentist, conservation officer, and Northern Manpower. This complex was designed to be the hub of the community with the residential bays surrounding the complex all within walking distance. The natural vegetation of the area has been preserved around the bays.

In design alone, Leaf Rapids is unique. Openpit mining of copper, nickel and zinc was the sole reason for Leaf Rapids' existence. Construction of residential homes began in 1971. In 1977 the population of the town was 2,200 and that figure is expected to reach 3,000 in the 1981 census. The open-pit mine has since closed and all mining is now underground. This has created a need for more personnel. In the last two years two trailer courts have been developed and two apartment



Exterior and interior views of the Town Complex at Leaf Rapids located 973 km northwest of Winnipeg

blocks and a new residential bay constructed. Further development is planned including an addition to the Town Centre complex. With continued growth, there are few families who have lived here longer than five years and call Leaf Rapids "home". A certain segment of the population is constantly moving in or out. One never knows when a dear friend and family may decide to leave for greener pastures. Optimistically, however, some of the original families do have children who are getting married in Leaf Rapids. This is a sure sign of the beginning of a more stable existence.

This quiet but busy community is surrounded by many lakes and rivers which provide spectacular fishing and boating opportunities. Winter is excellent for cross-country skiing and other recreational activities. Unfortunately, what is an advantage for one is often a disadvantage for another. Many new people suffer from depression caused by long winters and isolation from family and friends. Others cannot cope with limited shopping, recreational, entertainment and educational facilities. As a result, some of these people leave creating a gap for more newcomers. The exhibition centre cannot rectify all these concerns. It can, however, improve the quality of life by giving everyone an opportunity to briefly leave their homes and become involved in an organization which provides a wide range of activities.

The Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre is usually a very busy place. Attendance in 1980 was 15,951. Exhibits which change monthly come from all over Canada and include at least one international exhibit. Booking a variety of exhibits is often difficult because of the small exhibit area and high fees. It has been suggested that one major article could be borrowed from a museum around which an entire exhibit could be developed. Perhaps this will be attempted in 1982. The most exciting aspect of the exhibition centre is participation by the residents for local exhibits. Such participation increases both attendance and interest.

A fairly recent and exciting local exhibit was *Leaf's Favourites* which opened May 12th with a reception which drew approximately 45 people. Such an attendance was excellent for a rare warm spring evening. To add to the enjoyment, local musician Chuck Stensgard provided a selection of "his favourite pieces" of horn and guitar music. In one day the exhibit, which consisted of the favourite pieces of art loaned by exhibition centre members, drew 100 visitors during regular gallery hours. Other regular local shows throughout the year include a Juried Photography Show in March, Garden Show in August, Christmas Craft Sale, and



An example of the fine handicrafts for sale at the Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre

a Handicraft and Hobby Show. We also hold one or two exhibits annually featuring local artists. A mining exhibit was held this summer. All artifacts were obtained from Lynn Lake and Leaf Rapids' miners and local mines. This exhibit, which was of great interest to local residents, provided a muchneeded tourist attraction and an educational experience for both young and old.

With each exhibit the exhibition centre is slowly developing an educational program. Few teachers take advantage of the proximity of the exhibition centre to bring in their students as a group to view the exhibits. It appears that in general a visit is warranted only if it deals directly with a subject currently being studied. Otherwise students are expected to visit the exhibition centre in their free time. Besides class visits, the school participates by providing student art to compliment exhibits such as *The Amphibians of Ontario*. Gradual improvements in our educational program will hopefully increase class visits and provide greater learning experiences.

For preschool children there is a weekly onehalf hour "Storytime" held in the exhibition centre and sponsored jointly with the library. Stories, songs, films, and other activities attract approximately 15 children each week. The 4-H craft club provides a program for children nine to nineteen, however, it is mainly used by nine to twelve-yearold girls. Next fall the 4-H program will be designed to include boys as well as girls if enough leaders can be found. It must regretfully be mentioned that the exhibition centre provides little or no programs for teenagers. This is true not only of the exhibition centre, but for the community as a whole. Dialogue with young people may eventually lead to an appropriate program for young adults.

Adults are fairly well served. As indicated before, boredom and loneliness are sometimes pres-



Two travelling exhibits from the Royal Ontario Museum on display at the Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre during the past few years. (Left) Woodland Pond Habitat and (Below) Amphibians of Ontario



ent among some women. Several programs have been offered to help alleviate this problem including morning, afternoon, and evening craft courses. Interior decorating and business courses sponsored by Keewatin Community College of The Pas have also been offered. A variety of workshops are also presented: photography, gardening, budgeting, etc. The exhibition centre has been able to offer some of these workshops free of charge through the sponsorship of the Northern Horticulturalists of Thompson or the Department of Community Services also of Thompson. These programs, as well as Keewatin Community College sponsored courses, though not directly organized by the exhibition centre, provide extra traffic into the centre creating additional exposure and interest in exhibits and programs.

Another drawing card and source of revenue for the exhibition centre is the gift shop where mainly handcrafted items made by local residents are sold. Gift items include leather mitts, mukluks, and slippers; toy cars; hand-made jewellry; and knitted, crocheted, and quilted items. Articles purchased outside of Leaf Rapids are glass items, prints, and Manitoba Tartan. Local residents and tourists rarely leave without purchasing something at the exhibition centre.

Exhibits and programing for all age groups provides local participation and enjoyment. The centre creates other opportunities for community involvement. As our staff consists of only one full-time and one part-time employee, volunteers are often relied upon. We have always been fortunate to have helping hands whenever necessary. For example, in the past year a piano had to be moved up and down a flight of stairs for concerts held in the exhibition centre. Young men on a school break and employees from the Co-op accomplished this task several times. The Co-op not only donates services but many goods as well. This past year following a survey requesting volunteers, 13 ladies attended the first meeting for volunteers. Unfortunately, organizing a volunteer group has required more work from the Director than expected and

as of yet the program has not developed into a self-administered unit as hoped. However, from that original group of volunteers we may call upon individuals for specific undertakings.

Another form of involvement comes through our membership program which includes 70 participants. The fee at this time is negligible, however, in the next fiscal year a membership drive will be made introducing higher fees and more benefits. Presently members are granted discounts on concerts and courses as well as other benefits.

In an attempt to service the needs of the community and provide a source of entertainment the exhibition centre offers four to six concerts throughout the year. This is made possible through the generous support of the Manitoba Department of Cultural Affairs and Historic Resources and the free use of the gymnasium and theatre provided by the Town Council Recreation Department. Some of the concerts drawing a maximum attendance of 500 included performances by The Good Brothers, Ryan's Fancy, and John Allan Cameron. Because the exhibition centre staff is so small, the Kinsmen Club assisted by selling tickets, setting up, and ushering at the concert. It is quite a challenge to book the right touring group for Leaf Rapids. There is always the possibility of a serious loss which would be impossible for the exhibition centre to absorb. But, the Show goes on!

The Leaf Rapids National Exhibition Centre is growing and improving the quality of its programing to increase community participation and provide a location where residents, old and new, can feel comfortable. Perhaps through a course or activity, the exhibition centre may be the "something in common" required to form a new friendship. One needs a friend before ties can be made to a community. Variety and originality in programing sustains public interest and the exhibition centre's impact on the residents. The exhibition centre can play no greater role in providing a stabilizing factor in the community than to improve the quality of life for the residents and to be an integral part of the community of Leaf Rapids.

## **Operation Paper Lift**

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during the early hours of 22 January 1981. The age going back at least to the early 1920's. The Serblaze, still under investigation, caused approximate- vice also houses adoption records, whose sensitivity ly \$315,000 damage to the three-storey building and significance need hardly be defined. Apart from which housed an appliance centre on the first floor, the fact that such materials have considerable historand on upper floors a regional office of Income ical importance, their uses range from a very per-Security Services (Provincial Government Depart- sonal impulse to know oneself and one's origins to ment of Community Services and Corrections) as medical factors where an orphan or adopted child well as the Jewish Child and Family Service, a pri- might develop a serious illness in later life. In these vate organization. The building housed upward of records could be the background information pro-600 feet of paper records of the two social service viding the key to the cause and cure of the illness. agencies. Approximately 80 file storage units were While these points hardly do justice to all the other involved, some of which plunged through the floors activities of the agency, one more detail should be as firemen battled to arrest the fire.

Income Security office is composed of client or tially from the United Way and the community dicase files, both active and closed records. These high- rectly served. In the cases of both agencies, the fily sensitive and confidential records provide the nec- nancial implications alone of loss of records were essary control mechanisms for social assistance to very substantial indeed. In addition to the more obthe needy. The active files are defined as those re- vious reasons of financial control relating to active lating to clients still receiving help; the closed con- materials, there was the less apparent factor of cern past, suspended, or terminated transactions. As potentially recoverable monies documented in the soon as the staff of the Provincial Archives of Mani- closed files. toba became involved, we were struck by the significance of the records for the litany of reasons usually shock phase made between the Archives and Income invoked to justify archives and records management: Security was characterized by a misunderstanding legislative, legal, fiscal, operational, and administra- of the Archives' interests and capabilities. However, tive. Historical and cultural factors also came to a brief explanation at once disabused Income Securmind, but our efforts were quickly suffused by the ity officials of their understandable belief that we obvious humanitarian reasons for salvaging the were concerned only with "historical" documentarecords, especially when we learned that within tion. This led to extensive mutual cooperation and a week, the Income Security office would have to confidence in the Archives' motives and expertise. issue benefits to the less fortunate individuals of our During the shock phase, Income Security staff were society. This emotional sense was dramatically almost overwhelmed by a sense of futility in trying

Editor's Note: The following article first appeared in the heightened as we dealt with staff of the Jewish Child Association of Canadian Archivists' publication Archivaria, and Family Service, which, in their own words "are concerned with the entire spectrum of human need."

Some particularly compelling details emerged as we learned that the fire and water damaged materials Fire gutted a building on Main Street, Winnipeg, include records of the now-defunct Jewish orphanmentioned: support comes not only from the Pro-The largest proportion of the records of the vincial government channels, but also very substan-

Not surprisingly, the first contact during the

to salvage the records, especially the closed files. This is not at all a criticism of the staff, but rather a recognition that they were burdened by the fact that they had to return almost immediately to an operational stance to issue social benefits. Obviously, any emergency operation or procedure should recognize such pressures on programme staff and that assistance is essential not only to provide direct technical support, but also to cushion the psychological and emotional impact on the staff of the affected agency whose attention is naturally directed at regenerating their services as rapidly as possible. Under such circumstances, there may well be a clear recognition of the importance of the documentation, but it might not be a dominant concern. This is an aspect which must be handled with great sensitivity, especially if the staff of the agency involved has already been pushed to the limit by long hours worked, by struggling with the early chaos entailed by an emergency, by the toll of heavy physical exertion, and by trying to cope with the pervasive filth and penetrating stench involved in handling fire and water-damaged materials.

Following the initial contact between the Archives and the agencies involved, the active files of Income Security were moved to the basement of another office and the salvage operation began in earnest. The documents were delivered to their original file drawers and inspection showed that some of the files were not only burned at exposed edges, but also scorched to the centre of some of the less The offending fire, 22 January 1981 tightly-packed documents. Approximately ten per cent of the total volume of active files were relatively unharmed, save for heat damage, and were dry. A Excluding archival staff, eight to ten individuals large quantity of the records in file drawers had worked many overtime hours to salvage the docuswelled from water absorption and had become jam- ments. From Monday to Wednesday a crew of 25 med tightly in the containers. Removal was extreme. Income Security employees concentrated on drying ly difficult, but absolutely essential, forcing recourse and refiling the material, then placing it in new filing to carefully applied crowbars or to overturning and cabinets. By Thursday, the office was able to issue banging the raised portion of the drawer fronts on payments to clients on a basis of control that would the concrete floor.

the wet documents were our immediate concerns, tated by the dry air in the basement: ca.30 per cent so we had the heat reduced as much as possible in relative humidity. the basement area. The file drawers were arranged on the floor in double rows, leaving aisles for access, to devise a process for salvaging the closed files. We Ten-feet long work tables were assembled in the re- decided that these files should be frozen while we maining half of the basement, and we acquired six searched for a means of drying them in bulk. With high-speed hair dryers, new file folders, labels, stor- the assistance of Manitoba Government Services, age boxes and other essential supplies. We loosened we located an unheated building which offered adeand turned the files end up in the drawers wherever quate security, and, as good Winnipeggers, we luxurpossible, taking great care not to disrupt their work- iated in the knowledge that our cold weather would ing order. Three large fans were stationed to blow do the job of freezing the documents. Otherwise we over the files constantly. Staff of Income Security should have had to locate a large freezer unit or then worked at manually drying the active records truck which would have entailed considerable exthrough Friday afternoon, Saturday and Sunday, pense, and in the absence of an emergency plan,



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not have been possible had the documents been lost. The inhibition of mould growth and fusion of This manual drying process was substantially facili-

In the meantime, Archives staff were attempting



The file drawers of active documents arrive in the basement of an associated office. Charles Brandt, PAM

-7°C and -28°C at this time. Freezing does not kill height. The age of the equipment restricted the mould spores, nor is it a drying method, but it does simulated altitude which could be reached to about induce a dormant state giving time to plan the re- 85,000 feet, or sixteen miles. Modern chambers can covery of the documents.

drawers, the Archives contacted a local dairy for were loaded into the chamber on 3 February with 481 milk carton crates. These crates each held about little room to spare. The crates were placed on each one cubic foot of loosely-packed documents. For- other in an alternating pattern so that no container's tunately, by far the bulk of the documents involved base fully covered the top of another. This was to were letter-size, not legal which would have been allow maximum air circulation. too large for the plastic cartons. Similar crates large enough for legal-size paper would have been difficult elementary physics. The lowering of the air pressure to locate in large numbers, and are much more ex- accelerates the rate of evaporation of the material. pensive. The containers which were used proved to The moisture is evacuated by the pumps used to reon top of each other thereby obviating the need for cast media by placing a large container of water in 29, 1981 the documents, which had been kept in tainer was "lifted", the water began to boil off.

a cool location, but not frozen, were transferred to the crates and placed in the unheated building. Care was taken to keep a careful record of what materials were in which containers. The window blinds of the temporary storage area were drawn to prevent Winnipeg's frequent winter sunlight from heating the rooms, and the cartons were piled in such a manner as to provide for access aisles in case any documents were urgently needed for operational purposes.

The Chief Conservator then took a different tack knowing that a vacuum chamber had been used in Downsview in the past to dry some waterdamaged records of a commercial firm and also some theses held by a Toronto university. A call to John Barton, Conservator at the Archives of Ontario, provided the lead that there was a vacuum chamber at Canadian Forces Base Winnipeg. We immediately contacted the Base and were treated from the start with impressive courtesy, and an immediate and sympathetic grasp of the problem. We were soon dealing with the staff of the School of Aeromedical Training which includes several individuals with previous experience in drying documents in hypobaric chambers. "Military precision", with the best connotations, is the only apt phrase to describe all our contacts with the Base and School staff. After some telephone calls to Dr. Robert McComb, Research Scientist at the Library of Congress, for his expert advice on the drying technique we were contemplating using, the documents were moved to the decompression chamber site.

The Winnipeg hypobaric chamber, used by the School of Aeromedical Training to simulate highperhaps have taken enough time to allow the growth altitude flight conditions, is about 20 years old with of mould and fusion of some of the wet paper. The interior measurements of about 24 feet in length, temperature in the city ranged between about 8 feet in width, and approximately 61/2 feet in "lift" contents to upward of 200,000 feet, or about To contain the documents from the 153 file 38 miles. The frozen documents in the milk crates

The drying principle involved exploits rather be ideal: they had perforations on all walls allowing duce the air pressure. Before the process was begun, good air conditioning and could be stacked directly the principle was demonstrated to press and broadshelving to hold the material compactly. On January the chamber, then reducing the pressure. As the con-



The file drawers of active records laid out, and files turned on end to allow greater air circulation with assistance of fans. Brandt, PAM

that during the evaporation, there is a heat loss documents which were finally dried by exposing which would slow down the rate of vapourization. them to fans. We estimate that the hypobaric cham-In the Winnipeg chamber, the only heat sources ber withdrew about 200 gallons of water, or nearly were the overhead fluorescent lamps and whatever 2000 pounds. would penetrate the uninsulated walls of the unit. The latter source of heat exchange would be very in- medical Training Team who manned the chamber efficient as heat transfer would be substantially re- 24 hours a day noted a fascinating phenomenon. As tarded by the loss of air. The point is that we believe the documents lost moisture "they began to open the process of evaporation could have been consider- up like spring flowers". ably accelerated if there had been some low level heat sources in the chamber during the periods these documents, we were impressed by the amount of vacuum.

to earth, as it were, and the documents inspected. of good will with the government Department and The drying process proved to be working, but many the private agency involved. We concretely demondocuments were still excessively damp. Consequent- strated a justification for maintaining well-rounded ly, another vacuum was pulled. Three days later, archival institutions. Many more people now apprethe documents were again inspected and we found ciate the non-historical facets of the archival misthat 238 crates were dry. The documents in 180 re- sion. The process also underlined the need for maining crates were further loosened by distributing developing emergency plans, something the Archives them amongst an additional 100 containers and sent of Manitoba was just about to begin. Despite the back to 80,000 feet. On 12 February, this last batch absence of such plans, we found the remarkable of high-flying paper was brought down after a total cooperation of the Armed Forces and Manitoba's of nine days in upper atmospheric reaches. About Department of Government Services almost fully

A second physical fact of importance to us was 35 of the original crates still held slightly damp

During the drying process, members of the Aero-

Apart from all the obvious benefits of salvaging of press and broadcast coverage the Archives re-After four days, the chamber was brought down ceived. Furthermore, we have built up quite a store



Crates of documents being placed in the chamber. Note the method of stacking the crates so as to allow maximum air Winnipeg Free Press circulation.

compensated. Consequently little time was lost- mixed with deteriorated or brittle materials because certainly not enough to increase the damage already of the possibility of acid migration from the formdone to the documents by fire and water.

we estimate that they will not exceed \$12,000 in cords salvaged in Winnipeg were exposed to high all aspects. Fortunately, the Armed Forces under- temperatures during the fire. This will have "artitook their role as a public service, so the costs will fically" aged the paper by many years. Inasmuch be considerably less. Even at full expenses, the as most modern paper has a functional lifespan of values of the material exceed such figures. In fact, only about eight decades or less under relatively potential recoveries well in excess of the costs of normal conditions 2, it is fair to assume that much the operation were initiated from the closed files of the documentation will have to be microcopied if of Income Security within a week or so of the return of the salvaged records.

We consider the operation a success and probably one of the least expensive techniques for drying large quantities of paper documents. We know of several other similar operations in the United States, one undertaken by the General Electric Company, Valley Forge Space Centre, Pennsylvania and the other by the McDonnell Douglas Corporation, St. Louis, Missouri. There are certain dangers in both freeze-drying and vacuum-drying processes, but they are entirely safe under circumstances which are carefully controlled. For example, rare printed books and early manuscripts should not be

er to the latter during the drying process.<sup>1</sup> Another While not all the costs have yet been tabulated, detail which should be emphasized is that the rethe information is to survive for an extended period. Obviously, some of the materials could be rehabilitated in a professionally-run and equipped laboratory, but the quantities and costs involved would prohibit anything approaching wholesale preservation of the original documentation.

Other hypobaric chambers in Canada include:

- -CFB Edmonton, Alberta
- -Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine, Downsview, Ontario
- -CFB Trenton, 426 Squadron, Ontario
- -CFB Bagotville, Ouebec



Using hair dryers on the active files.



Brandt, PAM Charles Brandt, Chief Conservator, Provincial Archives of Manitoba, inspecting condition of documents after period in Provincial Archives of Manitoba the vacuum chamber.

Some time later this year, we believe that the freeze-drying as well as vacuum-drying. Needless to new chamber will have the capability of actually cessful salvage project.

chamber in Winnipeg will be moved to CFB Green- say, the Archives' chamber will have a much smallwood, Nova Scotia. By that time, the Manitoba er capacity (about 250 cubic feet) than the hypo-Archives should have its own vacuum-fumigation baric chamber at CFB Winnipeg, but with proper chamber and will therefore be able to mount a plans for a back-up freezing system to hold excess similar operation when next needed. In fact, the water-damaged materials, we will have another suc-

#### FOOTNOTES

Peter Waters, Procedures for Salvage of Water-Damaged Library Materials (Washington, 1975) pp. 7-8. For a descrip- operation from the agencies whose records were effectedtion of the salvage operation involving water-damaged books the Canadian Armed Forces, Government Services, and the belonging to Stanford University, see Sol London, " 'Outer Provincial Archives, the authors, Peter Bower and Charles Space' Saves 40,000 Water-Soaked Books", Records Manage- Brandt, have deliberately mentioned very few. They felt it ment Quarterly 13, No. 2 (April, 1979): 38-39. The last item did not seem proper to identify some and not others of all was reprinted from Lockheed Life, an employee magazine of those who contributed in a major way to "Operation Paper the Lockheed Corporation.

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#### Editor's Note:

Because of the number of individuals involved in the Lift". Mr. Bower is Provincial Archivist and Mr. Brandt, Chief Conservator, of the Provincial Archives of Manitoba.

## **Brandon Allied Arts Centre**

MARY LOUISE PERKINS President Brandon Allied Arts Council

The Brandon Allied Arts Council formed in 1959 to carry on the teaching of classes in the spinning, weaving, and theatre, to name several, fine arts begun by the Brandon Art Club in 1907, and to provide a meeting facility for several community organizations, has in the intervening years become a solidly-based community arts resource centre serving all sectors of Brandon and surrounding communities.

Through classes in drawing, painting, pottery, and dance through an affiliation with the ballet school of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, people of all ages are able to pursue their interests in the arts and crafts. The work of local, regional, provincial, and nationally-recognized artists is exhibited throughout the year for the benefit of both the artist and the public.



In its capacity as an arts resource centre, the Council maintains a current listing of local and regional artists and craftsmen, and assists organizations in securing qualified teachers in the arts and crafts and, whenever possible, provides the information, material, and personnel to develop the programmes. Through sponsorship, or co-sponsored with other community organizations, nationally and internationally recognized artists in the performing arts such as the *Canadian Brass*, *Sharon*, *Lois and Bram*, and the *Winnipeg Symphony Orchestra*, appear in Brandon for the enjoyment and benefit of Western Manitoba residents.

The Brandon Allied Arts Council located at 1036 Louise Avenue, Brandon, seeks to foster, enhance, and support the cultural life of Brandon and surrounding communities. It hopes to achieve this by offering classes in the arts and crafts and by presenting exhibitions that expose the work of artists to the public. In addition, the Centre has a picture rental service which gives members the opportunity to enjoy the original works of wellknown artists. The facilities of the Centre are also available to artists, craftsmen, individuals, and organizations for their use.

Membership in the Brandon Allied Arts Council is open to anyone — individuals, organizations, and businesses sharing the belief that the vitality and quality of the individual and the community is enriched by the presence of the arts and the opportunity to participate in them.

## **A Rolled Storage System for Textiles**

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The storage of large textiles and tapestries has always presented a problem for museums and art galleries. While clothes and other small items can be conveniently shelved, large textiles such as rugs or quilts can rarely be laid out without folding.

Because textiles should not be folded or creased when stored, the key to safe storage is to roll the textiles onto tubes. Heavy-duty cardboard tubes are readily available from carpet or fabric stores. These tubes, however, are not safe in themselves. Because of the high sulphur content of the cardboard, the tubes must be "insulated" from the textiles by wrapping the tubes with mylar. For the purposes of community museums in Manitoba, a limited amount of 40 inch wide mylar can be obtained from the Conservation Department of the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature for 50 cents a metre (minimum purchase of \$5.). A further outer wrap with an old sheet will also protect the textile from dust.

The Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature recently added a rolled storage system for its larger textiles. The unit is relatively inexpensive. We spent about \$150. per unit, although this cost could no doubt be cut by a more resourceful search for materials. Our cost of materials breakdown for each unit is as follows:

\$ 56.

28.

4' x 8' x ¾'' G 1 S Fir Plywood, 2 sheets 4' x 8' x ¼'' G 1 S Fir Plywood, 2 sheets 8' x 1 5/16'' Wooden Dowels, 14 Urethane, 1 gallon Mylar, 18 metres Cardboard tubes, 14



45.
Seven pairs of triangular racks are needed for each storage
25. unit. The racks are spaced at one-foot intervals starting
7. 18 inches from the top of each side and ending six inches above the bottom. Because the racks are higher in the back free than front, the rolls are staggered and the rear rolls are easily lifted over the front rolls. Wooden dowels, although
\$161. not as strong as pipe, are much lighter and easier to handle.



Two storage units were placed in a corner. By bolting them together at right angles, they reinforce each other



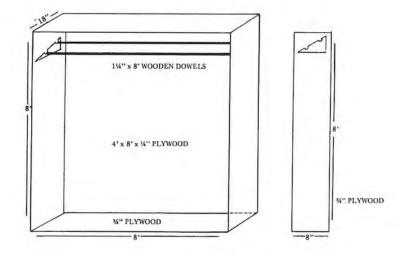
A large, flat table is best for rolling textiles. Note that acidfree tissue separates the layers of fabric. Note also that the pattern side faces outward. This is particularly important for artifacts such as rugs

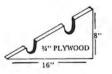


The rolls are easily carried by just two people by inserting a dowel through the tube



The rolls are tied at each end and in the middle with cotton twill tape. The name of the artifact as well as its accession number is tagged at one end for easy identification





## **Gallery Oseredok**

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Many people associate Ukrainian culture with certain foods or colourfully-costumed handsome Oseredok has avoided incorporating the ever-present young ladies and men dancing on stage to exciting pitfalls of local parochialism into its programing. music. Like many other ethnic cultures, the unique The works exhibited have been wide ranging-from

classical and modern music, ballet, film, television, sentations have encompassed most media such as and the fine arts which enhance our homes and sculpture, ceramics, painting, graphic arts, etc. public places.

Educational Centre provides a forum where artists known artist who came to North America from his can exhibit their works to the people of Manitoba native Ukraine in 1950. Bulavitsky's works were and visitors from all over the world. While it is to be well received by the Ukrainian community of Winexpected that the majority of the artists presented nipeg, and set a high standard for Gallery Oseredok are of Ukrainian descent, that is not the overriding criteria anymore than it is expected that artists have an established international reputation.

In May of 1972 the Ukrainian Cultural and Educational Centre publically opened Gallery Oseredok-the last major component in its multifaceted programing for Manitoba's Ukrainian community. Prior to this date most of the collected works of art were used as integral parts of numerous museum and library exhibits. With the opening of the gallery, the staff finally was able to begin a logical and consistent system of programing featuring various artists.

In 1976, the Centre acquired the building at 184 Alexander Avenue, East, in Winnipeg and for the next three years programing in all departments, including Gallery Oseredok, came to a halt to allow for drastic and complete renovations. The formal reopening in January 1979 saw the rebirth of Gallery Oseredok spanning the entire second floor and devoted specifically to exhibitions. Regular programs were reinstituted and through the kind generosity of the Winnipeg Foundation, Gallery Oseredok now offers the artist and the viewer the comfort of space.

During the many years of operation, Gallery Ukrainian culture has a form and texture all its own. literal realism, social commentary and subjective ex-Ukrainians are well represented in all the arts- pressionism to abstract and non-objective art. Pre-

The first exhibition at Gallery Oseredok featured Gallery Oseredok in the Ukrainian Cultural and Olexa Bulavitsky, a determined and internationally-



"I'm Beautiful" - William Kureluk

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to follow. Two of his oils are now in the gallery's permanent collection.

Gallery Oseredok possesses fine examples of the works of numerous Ukrainian artists, most of whom are internationally known. Represented are such notables as Alexander Archipenko, William Kureluk, Leo Mol, Jacques Hnizdovsky, Peter Shostak, and Myron Levytsky. A prize possession is a 1739 etching entitled Teza R. Zaborovsky by A.Levytsky. It is possibly one of just two or three of this work in existence.

The most popular event in Gallery Oseredok to date has been the Pysanka (Ukrainian Easter Egg) Exhibit. An average of 100 people a day viewed the presentation. Coinciding with the 1981 Easter season, the gallery displayed the story of the pysanka- "Crooked Fence Scene" - Peter Kuch its history, symbolism, traditions, and link to religion. Over 1,000 hand-decorated eggs dazzled the eyes with a visible feast of colour and design.

The Centre's collection of pysanky was greatly increased this year when the Winnipeg Foundation funded the acquisition of a collection of 3,500 eggs from the late Alexander Granovsky of Minneapolis.

The permanent collection of the gallery is growing constantly. Earlier this year, the Centre was the benefactor of most of the late Peter Kuch's worksmany of which were exhibited this past summer. Among them were numerous editorial cartoons which appeared in the Winnipeg Free Press over the years; as well as oils, watercolours, sketches and his illustrations of Ukrainian folk tales. Kuch was one of the very few people who could capture the Ukrainian face and spirit for all to see.

A young Winnipeg artist with a different ap- "Wheat Field Scene" - Olexa Bulavitsky proach, Larry Kissick, was featured at Gallery Oseredok this summer. In mid-October, the work of another fine Winnipeg artist, Stan Stech, will be on view. Following the Stech exhibit, the Centre's archival department will use the gallery to celebrate 90 years since the arrival of the first Ukrainians to Canada. The artists will be the pioneers who sculpted the land and the people who built and enhanced the cities and towns.

As Gallery Oseredok's reputation as a fine gallery grows, so will its programing, collections, and the support it receives from the Ukrainian community specifically, and Manitobans in general. We continue to benefit by our proximity to the hub of Winnipeg's cultural centre and to the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature. The staff at Gallery Oseredok looks forward to bringing many new and exciting exhibits to the public.





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"Easter Basket" - Daria Mudryj

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### The Winnipeg Art Gallery Seniors

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Editor's Note: This Report was compiled in 1978 in response to numerous requests regarding the origins of the Winnipeg Art Gallery Seniors' program. Since that time, the program has grown to include over 600 members and enjoys continued popularity and success.

When she entered the main foyer of The Winnipeg Art Gallery about 20 minutes before the days' festivities were to begin, Emily Nicolson, President and founding member of The Winnipeg Art Gallery Seniors (WAGS), had hopes of locating a quiet spot in which to rehearse her prepared comments. The foyer and its contiguous spaces were especially filled with activitity on this May 17: a costumed grouping of square dancers from Gimli were milling about, its leader taking a head count; Peter DeGelder and other gallery maintenance staff were busy arranging tables, chairs, and a variety of other essential items; Jeannine Chesaitis of the Education staff and Eleanor Milne, the WAGS administration assistant, were, like dispatchers, seeing that people and things were being properly located; school children and their teachers were arriving and asking for directions to The Muriel Richardson Auditorium; and perhaps another one hundred visitors of all ages and descriptions were wandering about using the foyer as a coaling station of sorts. Emily Nicolson's solitude was not to be found in this environment.

Sensing her need, a perceptive staff member escorted her to an office on the mezzanine level one flight above the foyer. A while later Nicolson was in the auditorium welcoming several hundred friends, guests, and fellow WAGS to their annual spring festival. She advised some and reminded others that two years ago, at its inaugural meeting, the WAGS were a few senior citizens and two gallery staff who had barely more than a vision. "Today", she stated proudly, "we are near 400 in number and still growing". Casmir Carter, dance critic for the Winnipeg Free Press and a WAGS member, was introduced as master of ceremonies. Casmir, a relaxed, soft-spoken man, presented the entertainment portion of the two-day festival. He began by introducing the 40 member Greater Winnipeg Junior Orchestra which performed classical and popular music to a large, appreciative audience; then the square dancers from Gimli (senior citizens all); a group of high school students who presented excerpts from "Anne of Green Gables"; some highland dancers; a pipe band; a fashion show; films; and a Franco-



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Carol MacDonnell of the Winnipeg Art Gallery giving a guided tour to members of the WAGS

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Manitoba dance ensemble-Les Gais Manitobains. And so it went for two days.

While all this was taking place in and outside the gallery, there was a crafts display and sale of items made by members of the WAGS, slide-tape travelogues of interesting sites to visit in the United States, a raffle, food sales, and more. Some 2,000 people came to the festival—an amount which compared favourably to attendance at previous WAGS festivals.

As a corporate entity with by-laws, committees, and a governing structure, The Winnipeg Art Gallery Seniors came into being in the Fall of 1976. Several months prior to that, gallery staff, with the encouragement of their Director, Roger Selby, met with members of the Provincial Department of Tourism, Recreation and Cultural Affairs to discuss ways in which the Gallery might begin to work with senior citizens. Assistant Deputy Minister, Mary Elizabeth Bayer, and Recreation Specialist, Brian Orvis, suggested a festival as perhaps the best way to make acquaintance. Their suggestion was received with enthusiasm by the staff, who, almost at once, set about making preparations. The festival was a one-day affair held on a warm, sunny afternoon in April. The majority of the program consisted of what might be considered popular attractions: films, comedies mainly, were screened; variety entertainment was provided by a group known as the Golden Agers; and an International tea party was held with teas and pastries from various countries served. In addition, gallery educators and docents conducted tours of exhibitions for approximately 1,900 visitors. Senior citizens were also invited to participate in drawing workshops which were led by staff of the Studio Programs department.

It was hoped that the Festival would attract a large number of senior citizens to the gallery, provide them with an informative and entertaining afternoon, and become the first in a series of special programs and events for senior citizens. The staff was particularly pleased with the day's attendance which was nearly four times greater than anticipated. Wide-spread publicity and enthusiastic media coverage helped to attract visitors. Another factor contributing to the large attendance was the cooperation and support received by the Department of Tourism, Recreation and Cultural Affairs, which provided free transportation to and from the gallery for senior citizens, including those in wheelchairs. Volunteers from the Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature also assisted with various aspects of the festival. Several senior citizens' organizations were involved in the planning and supervision of events. The festival was a success because many individuals, groups, and agencies were involved—it was a community effort.

Ensuing weeks were busy ones as considerable time was spent assessing the festival and discussing what it could lead to. It was obvious that the festival proved to be a good method for attracting a large number of senior citizens. It was determined, however, that such an event could only be staged occasionally (not more than once a year), and then, with good cause and thorough planning.

But there was an even larger issue. In terms of content, the majority of the festival's activity could have been conducted in almost any setting large enough to accommodate the guests. Indeed only the tours of exhibitions distinguished the affair as something an art gallery was uniquely qualified to provide. The issue was how to engage a group of senior citizens in ongoing activities that were, first and foremost, designed to encourage their interest in, and knowledge of, the visual arts.

A project grant awarded the gallery by the Secretary of State provided staff an opportunity to learn more about working with senior citizens. The purpose of the grant was to aid students who planned to continue their education in a university or community college program, and to develop a volunteer program within the institution. The grant provided funds for three students to work full-time for one month. Staff decided to employ the students on a project designed to bring together a group of senior citizens in a gallery-affiliated organization that provided cultural and educational programs for its membership.

Local Manpower offices and area universities were notified of the grant and provided with a description of the project. Through these sources three students were hired. The project took place during the month of July and for several days prior to beginning their work the students attended a series of orientation sessions. In these sessions the students were advised how the project came into being; what they were expected to do, and how they were to go about doing it; and what resources and expertise the gallery could make available to an interested group of senior citizens. In addition, several resource persons were asked to discuss the project with the staff and students. These included senior citizens and those who worked with them.

The students first compiled a list of groups, organizations, and agencies that in one way or another served the needs of senior citizens. The list included small neighbourhood clubs, social welfare organizations, nursing homes, and government agencies. Those on the list were contacted and informed of the gallery's interest in helping to support an organization of senior citizens interested in art. Even in the early stages of the students' fieldwork and research a very encouraging picture began to emerge. What the students found, generally, was a broad-based interest in the visual arts on the part of individuals and groups of senior citizens from throughout the city, and from varying levels of affluence. Many of those contacted by the students had either attended the gallery's senior citizen festival or had heard of it, and, perhaps most encouraging, senior citizens seemed to want to have a closer affiliation with the gallery and its activities.

During the second week of their project, the students and the three staff who guided them decided to hold a meeting of all those who were interested in forming a senior citizens' organization allied with the gallery. The meeting was held the following week and attracted several hundred senior citizens. The group was organized into three sections, each led in discussion by a student and staff member. At the conclusion of the meeting, participants were asked to complete the first of many questionnaires. About 15 people also said they would be willing to serve on a steering committee which, along with staff, would help set up a governing structure for the organization.

The questionnaires asked for a variety of information but were most concerned with ascertaining the participants' art and cultural interests. Of the 100 questionnaires returned, the largest number of people, 43, said they were interested in taking painting classes. Classes in pottery, photography, macrame, and drawing also rated highly among the group. One-third of the respondents said that lectures on the history of art would be of interest. Other activities mentioned with some frequency were art history study groups, film programs related to art, drama groups, and music appreciation groups. A number of suggestions for activities unrelated to the arts were received, including one for a first-aid course.

Over the next several weeks staff and members of the steering committee met often. By the first week in August a group of 25 or so senior citizens were firmly committed to forming an organization for the purpose of furthering their common interests in the visual arts. By mid-August an interim Board of Directors, composed of ten senior citizens,



Just some of the activities held during the WAGS' Annual Spring Festival

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had been set up. By the end of the month, the group had decided to call itself the Winnipeg Art Gallery Seniors.

It was at this point that the really hard work was taken up by the WAGS and staff. That work centered around answering several very important questions: What really was the purpose of the WAGS? How much money was required to enable the organization to carry out its objectives and where was this money to come from? How much staff guidance and direction was there to be and to what extent would WAGS chart their own course? And how was the membership to be developed?

The asking of these questions occasioned more meetings, questionnaires, and similar fact-finding and strategy sessions. It was agreed that two things ought to be done to help the WAGS gain a sense of direction. The first of these was to organize costfree activities that would be of interest to the WAGS and that would help increase membership. What resulted was a series of art history lectures



A WAG member preparing material for an exhibition in 1976

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and the opening of a drop-in centre. The lectures were provided over a two-month period, beginning in September, by Dr. Victor Leathers, a senior citizen who is Professor of Art History at the University of Winnipeg. Dr. Leathers was one of the resource people who attended an orientation meeting with the students and indicated at that time his willingness to provide a lecture series.

The drop-in centre was (and still is) located in a seminar room on the first floor of the gallery. For two days each week the seminar room was set aside for the WAGS to hold meetings, read, and discuss common interests. In other words, to get to know each other and the gallery. The room was also used to enlist new members. Indeed the majority of WAGS members joined the organization by paying a visit to the drop-in centre. (At present most memberships are handled by mail although some are still taken in the drop-in centre).

During the fall months, the WAGS executive and gallery staff began to explore funding possibilities. Somewhat earlier, during July when the students were carrying out their project, contact had been established with a representative of the New Horizons Program. The program, under the auspices of the Ministry of National Health and Welfare, was set up to provide financial assistance to organized groups of senior citizens, so that they might undertake various kinds of educational, social, and recreational activities.

In January, following encouragement and counsel from members of the New Horizons' staff, the WAGS received a grant of \$25,621. to cover an 18-month period. Submission of the New Horizons' grant application did much to help the WAGS clarify their objectives. Ross Ironside, then WAGS vice-president, authored the following statement about the WAGS which was submitted to New Horizons:

"(Our) aim is to provide senior citizens with the opportunity to identify themselves with The Winnipeg Art Gallery on a participatory basis by membership in the WAGS club. The club elects its own officers, operates on accepted democratic rules of order, and sets its own program aspirations.

The formation of the club, which has already taken place, brought an immediate response from the senior citizens public, confirming the belief that a closer identification with the gallery was welcomed enthusiastically. Assays by means of questionnaires and dialogue indicated areas of interest vary widely enough to warrant a range of programs, though all have a common denominator of interest in the arts....Painting and pottery are high in the choices and it's hoped to commence these immediately with instruction under The Winnipeg Art Gallery's direction.

The academic choices indicate keen interest in lectures in art history including comments on the traditional and modern messages, and study groups within that concept; drama groups and play reading; film series not readily available commercially; music, with study groups of the traditional and modern through tapes, recordings and literature; book review study groups; members of the club as senior tour guides....".

Today the WAGS membership consists of over 400 people. The range of activities which Ironside listed have all been taken up by the WAGS. Since receiving the New Horizons grant, the WAGS have had an ongoing series of art classes lasting from eight to ten weeks in painting, drawing, ceramics, and fabric arts. Many of the products of these classes have been displayed at WAGS festivals and have also been raffled to help raise funds. Dr. Leathers continues to provide thematic lectures which are now attended by the general public as well as the WAGS. There are also many activities members themselves organize and conduct. These include a strolling arts club which tours a different site or locale within the city each week discussing interesting historical and architectural features of the environment; and a group interested in crafts who

meet and instruct each other at the gallery. The WAGS are kept informed of all gallery and WAGS activities through the gallery's monthly calendar of events and their own newsletter. It would not be an exaggeration to state that rarely does a day go by when there is not some kind of formal or informal WAGS activity taking place at the gallery (including tours of exhibits and use of the library).

Because so much of what the WAGS do must be coordinated with other gallery activities, a member of the education department spends considerable time helping the WAGS plan and schedule their programs.

When asked about some of the characteristics of the membership, one of the gallery staff members replied, "at least half of the membership is active and involved. The proportion of people who are active in the sense that they come to something sometime is going up....I think some of the people who originally joined were interested in the idea of such a group and its relationship to the gallery. Most of the people who are joining now are joining because they've heard of one or more WAGS activities and they want to be involved."

Emily Nicolson agrees that the new wave of members are joining because of specific WAGS programs and activities, and not solely to be identified with the gallery. But she would like to see some WAGS activities take place outside the gallery: "I'd like to be able to offer WAGS activities to senior citizens who are disabled and cannot come to the gallery. Perhaps one way that can happen is that some of the WAGS taking art classes can further their skills, and then go into nursing homes and residences and teach others what they know.".

For Ross Ironside there is one overriding concern, "the thing to stay away from," he cautions, "is duplicating what other senior citizens' groups are doing, especially those that specialize in social and popular activities. Those activities are already taken care of properly and the Art Gallery can offer different and unique services for senior citizens because it is an art gallery."

That statement summarizes the framework in which to view all the efforts of the WAGS and the gallery in regard to this program. And it will undoubtedly establish our collective priorities for a long time to come.

## **The Eskimo Museum**

LORRAINE BRANDSON Eskimo Museum Churchill, Manitoba

The Eskimo Museum, a museum designed to explain the Eskimo way of life through their art and artifacts, was founded by the Oblate Fathers missionary to the Canadian Eskimo (Inuit) in the central Arctic.

The collection began with a few carvings and artifacts housed in a single showcase in Bishop Turquetil's residence in Montreal. In 1944 a room in the Catholic mission in Churchill was used. By 1954, the museum had its own building and in 1962 the present building was constructed.

The permanent collection which is on display year round contains archaeological pieces made from stone, bone and ivory dating back three thousand years, contemporary art, ethnographic artifacts, and various wildlife specimens. Unlike many art gallery exhibitions, and traditional museum displays, there is no attempt to rigidly categorize the material into subjective display units. Brother Jacques Volant, a native of Brittany with 20 years' experience in the Canadian North, has curated this collection since 1948. With the support of other Oblate missionaries in the diocese in obtaining artifacts, plus a few donations, Brother Volant has selected and cared for the pieces which are housed in the museum.

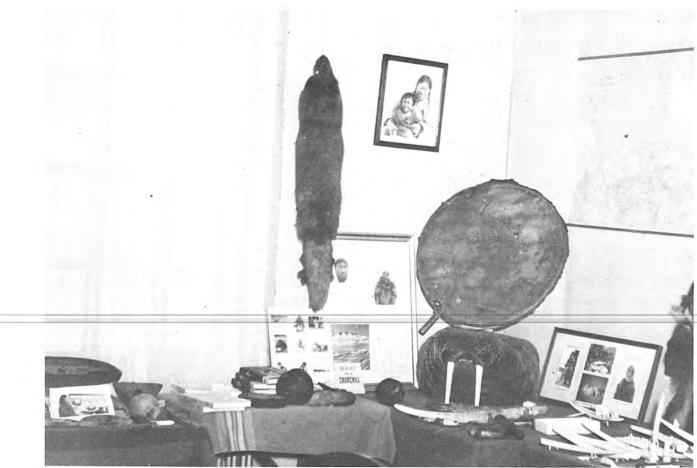
Many people contend that all contemporary carvings (post 1948) and, in particular the soapstone pieces, are not "authentic" Eskimo works. In response to this statement, I would reply that just as the many finely-carved prehistoric and historic artifacts tell us something about the lifestyle and living conditions of those days, so do the stone and ivory carvings of today. One need not only consider the obvious educational value of the carvings in portraying everyday events and traditions. It is also important to note that the sale of nonutilitarian carvings supplements and provides in-



Brother Volant holding a whalebone carving of an Eskimo man and woman flying to the moon K.H. Melters



The mission at Pond Inlet where Brother Jacques Volant lived from 1935-40 R.C. Diocese of Churchill, Hudson Bay



### Museum display in the Mission 1945

Eskimo Museum



Museum displays in 1979

Lorraine Brandson

come for many Eskimo families. Does the fact that an eager southern market for these carvings exists negate the authenticity of the work? Should the technical or artistic excellence of a well-carved likeness of a seal, or a portrayal of a legend or belief, be ignored just because carvings are sold for money? I think not.

The strength and "authenticity" of the Eskimo Museum collection has always been due to the sensitivity of the Curator and other missionaries in collecting those pieces which best express the aims of the museum. Not subscribing to the view of many "arm-chair anthropologists", who equate the demise of the Eskimo way-of-life with the advent of the Hudson Bay Company, Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and Christian missions, the museum displays carvings such as a skidoo, a policeman or a scene with a man shooting a seal in springtime.

The lure of reaching the famed Hudson Bay and the edge of the barren grounds of the North attracts many visitors to Churchill. Here they can spend their time freely at the museum which is open every day, and go for a walk on the spectacular rock formations located just behind the museum, weather permitting! How better can one appreciate the material on display than by being able to experience and see first-hand the beauty of our Canadian North right here in Churchill.



Olikattark and Pudjuk hauling a seal on the beach at Repulse Bay

R.C. Diocese of Churchill Hudson Bay



Ivory carving of a Spring Seal and Bear Hunt from Repulse Bay, 1945

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(Left) Caribou antler Dorset carving with 17 engraved human faces from Igloolik George Swinton

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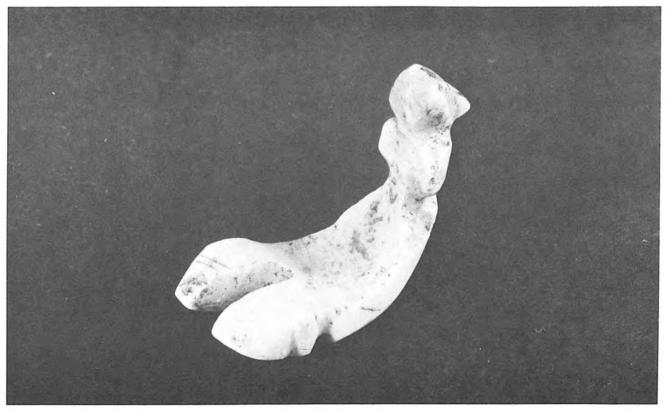
(Below) Ataguvtaluk sitting in archaelogical house ruins at Igloolik R.C. Diocese of Churchill, Hudson Bay





(Right) Pacome Kolaut hunting seal at a breathing hole at Igloolik R.C. Diocese of Churchill Hudson Bay

(Below) Thule carving possibly representing "Nuliayukthe Mother of the Sea Animals" found at Igloolik George Swinton



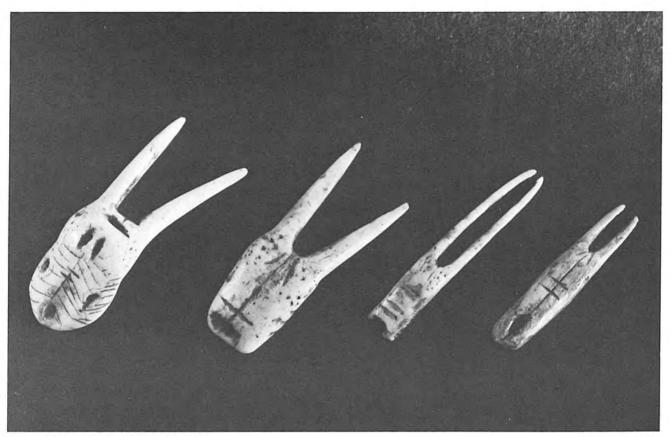


(Left) Drum Dance with Bernard Irkogaktok playing the drum at Pelly Bay R.C. Diocese of Churchill Hudson Bay

(Below) Stone and ivory carving of a Drum Dance at Pelly Bay by Antonin Attark, 1962 George Swinton

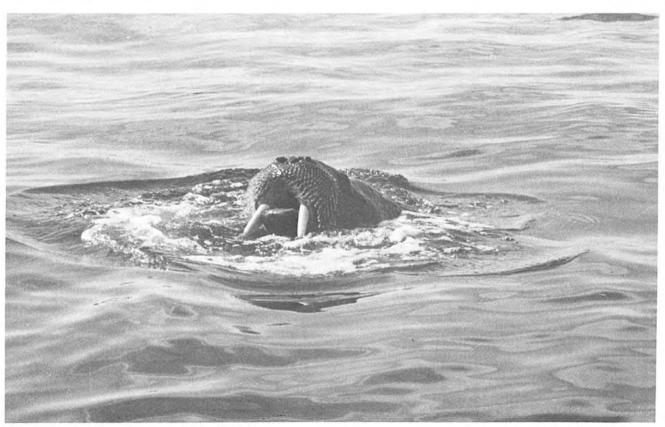
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Dorset Walrus pendants from Igloolik

George Swinton



Walrus surfacing from the water at Igloolik

Fa. G. Mary-Rousseliere



Fa. F. Van de Velde conducting mass in an igloo at Pelly Bay c. 1956

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A group of Eskimo thanking God for their meal-a seal by Ennutsiak of Frobisher Bay, 1969

George Swinton

## **Dateline Ottawa – CMA Conference '81**

TIM WORTH President Association of Manitoba Museums

a provincial association or the small community mu- council to send a representative. seum. However, one must face the fact that many

This year's conference of the Canadian Muse- which enable us all to perform our functions or atums Association was held in Ottawa from May 28 to tain our goals that much easier. Any opportunity to 31 and was entitled "Do Museums Have a Future?". learn from the experience of others must not be Some might ask how a national conference relates to passed up and thus it was the decision of the AMM

A national conference of this scope incorporates of the sessions occurring at a national conference a number of general sessions; as well as meetings of produce a variety of ramifications affecting us all special interest groups and alternate seminars hosted directly or indirectly. Often there are developments by associate organizations. They all spoke to the



Tim Worth

CMA Conference theme - Do Museums Have a Fu- following might be necessary in a financial report: ture? - is prompted by the increasing pressures on today's museums to change their role in society, to modify their methods of operation, to sacriface important activities, and indeed, to challenge their traditional and fundamental philosophical approaches.".

The annual conference of the national museum organization provided an opportunity for the presidents or directors of similar organizations to be involved in an exchange of information and ideas. A many of these things into their accounting prochief concern of many of those present was the un- cedures, however, there are many that do not and satisfactory performance of the Applebaum - Hebert for them the effect will be staggering. However, at Committee which studied the Canadian cultural this point in time it is all conjecture, for no one scene. The impression appeared to be that the Com- knows what will become of the C.I.C.A. report. mittee did not understand how museums could be related to heritage and culture. Hopefully by the Swann, Director, Samuel and Saidye Bronfman time the Committee has finished its series of hear- Family Foundation, and the Canadian Ambassador ings this problem will have been rectified, and their to France, the Honourable Gerard Pelletier, addressrecommendations will ensure a stable future for ed themselves to the health of the museum comthose working with the Canadian heritage.

was the importance of the indemnification of bor- to have to address themselves to serving the needs rowed material. Any museum that is required to of their audience. He also took the opportunity to borrow artifacts or works of art from a foreign in- emphasis the need for greater investigation into the stititution for a proposed exhibition, knows all too early inhabitants of North America; not as he conwell the burden of insuring those items. A burden tended, the mere emphasis of history over the past which is becoming increasingly prohibitive. Thus it 500 years or so. was the intention of the Canadian Museums Association and associated organizations to have the feder- vided amongst several specific areas or concerns. In al government establish an indemnification plan the first session, the discussion revolved around the which would see the various levels of government topic "Collections-do they have a future?". It was cost-sharing the insurance of borrowed foreign exhi- suggested that the mere collection of a host of items bition material. Whether a cost-sharing plan is will in no way guarantee their existence in the fuachieved will mean much to the museum and gallery ture. Here lies the point of the whole discussion community simply because of the exhibitions which the people in charge are going to have to make their will or will not be mounted.

tional conference was the proposal for a strategic port to the preservation of that segment of material realignment of the Canadian Museums Association's history. In this decision-making process, a selection operative policies which will hopefully make the will have to be made of those items which will be in-Association more acceptable to the museum com- terpreted to the viewing audience thereby accepting munity as a whole. Because the complete plan of the inevitable deterioration of those items, and that realignment will not be fully accomplished for a part of the collection which will be preserved for the couple of years, it will be some time before it can be scholars of the future (involved in their own search assessed.

As mentioned in the introduction, a gathering of this nature allows for the meeting of special interest Winnipeg Art Gallery indicated that in order that groups. One such group was that of museum admin- our collections continue to be relevant to the istrators and finance officers. At this meeting a re- audiences which we serve, such collections and port from the Canadian Institute of Chartered Ac- resulting displays will have to appeal to them. She countants (C.I.C.A.) was brought to the attention asked when was the last time a curator asked the of those in attendance. The implication was that if public what it was that they wished to see in a the report were carried to its extreme, the whole of museum? the Canadian cultural community would have to

museum world and the continuing development of standardize its accounting practices along a pattern such. Quoting from the conference material "the established by the C.I.C.A. It was suggested that the

- nature and objective of the operation;
- significant events and trends;
- budgets for the current and future years;
- an accrual type accounting system
- functional accounting-a breakdown of the accounting into its smallest units;
- capitalization of fixed assets.

Certainly many museums already incorporate

In separate introductory speeches both Dr. Peter munity. Mr. Pelletier perhaps took a more positive One of the issues identified by the conference tact but certainly indicated that museums are going

The general session of the conference was dicollections more relevant and open to their audi-Also under considerable discussion at this na- ences if they expect the same audiences to lend supfor an understanding of their past, our present).

During this initial session Nancy Dillow of the

The second session suggested that the "keepers



Informal discussions with colleagues from across the country-an important part of any national conference Tim Worth

over their charges and that steps should be taken to indemnification plan, the creation of the mobile lab reverse this process, as it is the curators who in the service of the Canadian Conservation Institute and long run must be accountable for the state of an the \$40 million in capital grants over recent years institution's collection. Candace Stevenson of the for the upgrading of museums across Canada. All Nova Scotia Museum indicated that the process this being a response to a perceived need. At this should be matched with a collection management point Mr. Fox departed from the seemingly friendly policy which would define the goal of the collec- tone and indicated that "I think that you are so dedtion and establish how it would be interpreted.

develop an air of sophistication; it must be remem- view, at this time, it is now time for the federal bered a large number of those in attendance repre- government to concentrate more of its efforts and sent the unsophisticated community museum. One more of its resources in the national capital of our speaker, Eric Ruff, Curator of the Yarmouth country". (In other words suggesting that the County Museum, brought into focus the possible amount of funding which has been up until now disfuture of the community museum. He suggested a tributed across Canada will now be deminished and number of things, including that the proliferation instead utilized in Ottawa). Furthermore he indiof the community museum may in due course put cated that Canadians across Canada would be asked their existence in jeopardy. This for no other reason to "contribute to the building of at least one of the than the fact that the limited resources possessed facilities we have in the national capital area". by the various governmental agencies can only be Where the proposed decreases would come were not divided so far before it, the allotted sum, becomes indicated. inconsequential. At that point the money has been divided amongst so many that nothing can be ade- logy student suggested that the training being requately done with each small portion. Mr. Ruff sug- ceived by students today is a failure because the gested that the various levels of government may at feedback system has broken down. In his opinion some time decide that funding may go only to those we are not learning from the failures and mistakes museums for which they bear direct responsibility. perpetrated in the museum profession today, but With the community museum already walking a rather passing them on to the museological students narrow line between existence and closure, any thereby compounding the error. extraneous pressure on them could conceivably result in their eventual demise.

off by a topical presentation by the Honourable that a bright future lay ahead on the basis of proven Francis Fox, Minister of Communications and internship programs. Whereas a poorly-planned in-Secretary of State. He dealt at length with the vari- ternship can end up being nothing more than an ous programs for which the Secretary of State has apprenticeship, a sound one fuses knowledge and

of the collections", or curators, have lost control responsibility, including the recognized need for an icated to the development of museums in Canada Although a conference on this scale can often that you probably accept that, from our point of

During the fourth session, on training, a museo-

Where in one person's opinion it was proposed that our educational institutions were failing to The second day of the main conference was led meet the requirements, another speaker suggested skills and clearly illustrates the competence of an individual.

discussions about the future of museums, there were community museums who must rely upon the also a couple of presentations which deal with very generosity of others for their mere existence. The real new concepts which are applicable to museums employees of such facilities are often working under today in various regions of Canada.

Control Technique...", the suggestion was put that only a small part of the problem. As a solution, he there were far more reliable methods of controlling suggested that after analyzing one's program, relative humidity than previously considered. At specific improvements can be identified that can Kings Landing Historical Park, New Brunswick, a conceivably increase productivity. By the adjustmethod of controlling the relative humidity in the ment of work hours, self management and the air has been devised. This method utilizes a humid- involvement of the employees in employeeity gauge instead of a temperature gauge as the de- replacement and employee-training programs, motivice to turn the heating system on and off. It is vation can be achieved. recognized that warmer air can hold more humidity than cool air and thus the air is warmed until the However, they will have to face the prospect of condesired humidity level is reached. Although this is a siderable change. The speakers to the annual connew conept in environmental control, it is one ference of the Canadian Museums Association have which has much merit and is surely applicable to alluded to this fact. Museums have come a long way. many institutions. For those who might benefit Society, however, is changing faster than museums from this concept, a report on this subject will be are developing and the social pressures will force

Prince of Wales Museum in Yellowknife expressed This applies not only to the large museums and the extreme difficulty of preparing a museum galleries, but community museums as well. To do facility and/or related programing in remote regions. otherwise will doom their existence. Things which are relatively simple become complex and expensive in a remote region such as Yellowknife. together to benefit from each other's experiences It is often this second variable which condemns a and learn of recent developments in the profession. project to failure. Only those northern institutions But it also creates the opportunity to recognize which are heavily supported can hope to achieve any significant contributions to the museum community. measure of programing or development comparable At this year's conference, ten Awards of Merit were to that of its southern counterparts. And yet these presented-including two to Manitoba recipients. same facilities have a very important task to fulfill Quoting from the Canadian Museums Association's and thus should not be cast aside merely for certain citations, the following Manitobans were honoured: inadequacies. Alternate methods can come into play

their heritage is retained. Raising community inte- collections in the world. rest through active participation is certainly a key to the success of any program.

cept for the North American museum community objects on both a lifesize and miniature scale at the which entails turning an entire community or series Manitoba Museum of Man and Nature. of communities into a museum of traditional and contemporary living. In this respect, a number of of the Manitoba museum community. Mrs. Nancy E. communities on the south shore of the St. Lawrence Dillow of the Winnipeg Art Gallery was inducted have banded together to preserve their folk culture. into the CMA Fellows Committee because of her Each structure in a village, each individual or crea- long association and dedication to the museum proture associated with that structure, all become an in- fession in Canada. tegral part of the museum. It would appear that this identity; thereby limiting its implimentation to but ment in Canada. a few localities.

To wrap up the seminar sessions, the last speaker discussed "Motivating the Non-Profit Sector". Cer-In addition to a number of quasi-philosophical tainly this topic relates to the situation of most adverse conditions in comparison to similar levels of In a presentation, "An Alternate Environmental employment in other professions-low salaries being

Do museums have a future? Certainly they do! published by the Canadian Conservation Institute. those museums wishing to remain relevant to be-A presentation by Dr. Robert Janes of the come more efficient, responsible, and appealing.

The conference allows 'museum people' to get

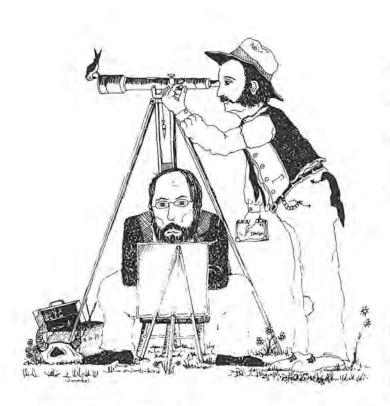
Brother Jacques Volant of Churchill, whose to preserve the culture of those who claim the devotion and efforts over the past 50 years in gathernorthland as their home. Somehow they must illus- ing and documenting much of the northern material strate the past and make it come alive to ensure that culture has resulted in one of the finest Inuit art

Betsy Thorsteinson in recognition of her high standards of excellence in creating outstandingly Mr. Rene Rivard presented a revolutionary con- accurate and realistic models of natural and cultural

The conference also honoured another member

On the strength of this conference, delegates concept of a museum would only be workable in returned home with renewed enthusiasm to dilithose areas which have retained an individual ethnic gently ensure the continuation of museum develop-

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