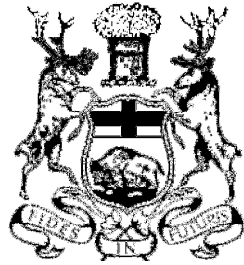


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MANITOBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Executive 2013-14

President	James Kostuchuk
Immediate Past President	Dr. Annabelle Mays
Vice President/Acting Treasurer	Dennis Butcher
Vice President	Jim Cox
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Elected Members of Council 2013-14

Wayne Arseny, Dennis Butcher, Sharon Conway, Dr. Francis Carroll, Jim Cox, Tom Ford, Jane Fudge, Carl James, Eva Janssen, Dr. Gwyneth Jones, James Kostuchuk, Dr. Annabelle Mays, Ross Metcalfe, Dr. Robert O’Kell, Carol Scott, Joyce Wawrykow

Ex Officio Members of Council - Past Presidents 2013

David McDowell (1976-1978)	Alan Crossin, (1978-1980)
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Greg Thomas (1986- 1988)	William Fraser (1990-1992)
Céline Kear (1996-1998)	Lily Stearns (1994-1996)
Dr. John Lehr (1998-2000)	Jim Blanchard (2000- 2002)
Dr. Gordon Goldsborough (2004-2006)	Dr. John Bumsted (2006-2008),
Dr. Harry Duckworth, (2008-2011)	

* Note: The option of former MHS presidents being an ex officio member of council is available to Manitoba residents and members in good standing. This list does not represent the full roster of past presidents of the Society.

Staff

Chief Administrative Officer	Jacqueline Friesen
Chief Program Officer & Curator	Jennifer Bisch
Ross House Museum Manager	Victor Sawelo
Dalnavert Summer Student	Dustin Glaseman
Dalnavert Summer Student	Kayla Quiring
Ross House Summer Student	Tyler Krotowich
Ross House Summer Student	Samantha Plett

President's Report

The Society has many enthusiastic, committed volunteers who selflessly contribute hundreds of hours of their time to our organization, managing our many valuable resources, such as our award programs, events, our Manitoba History Journal, Gazette, and our website. Most of our activities are project based.

Today's volunteers seem to be more willing to be involved in short-term, well defined projects, as opposed to long term commitments, and a move to project based activities with team leaders as opposed to the committee system would perhaps encourage greater volunteer participation.

Fundraising and marketing of our MHS brand are necessary for future sustainability of our organization. During the summer months, 100 local businesses were visited and surveyed, each receiving a complimentary issue of our journal, an introduction letter, and all responded favourably to learning more about our organization and becoming involved. While we had budgeted to hire a fundraising/marketing consultant this year, we were unable to do so due to budgetary constraints, and this will be a budget item again in 2014-15.

Several new projects are in initial planning stages, a rural history summit, for heritage leaders throughout the province, and the Association of Manitoba Municipalities has indicated their willingness to assist with this project. Another new project is the 2020-year book project, utilizing high school students to scan every yearbook in time for Manitoba's 150th Anniversary. I have approached the Manitoba Association of Optometrists to help fund the initiative, and have the support of the Lieutenant Governor, who will recommend the project to his successor.

I attended the SAGE conference to promote the Society, and to use the website's vast digital archive for a teaching resource, and for the promotion of our museums and Young Historians Awards.

Thanks to our staff, and volunteers, and fellow Council and Executive members for their support over this past year.

James Kostuchuk, President

Committees and Projects

Publications Committee

The MHS Publications Committee has responsibility for production of the Manitoba History journal, MHS Gazette newsletter, and MHS website (www.mhs.mb.ca). Its members in 2013 were as follows: Bob Coutts, Frieda Klippenstein, Bill Fraser, Eva Janssen, Gordon Goldsborough, Jim Burns, and Maria Zbigniewicz.

Manitoba History Journal

Our journal editorial team in 2013-2014 comprised Bob Coutts (editor-in-chief, now a PhD student in History at the University of Manitoba), Esyllt Jones (the new associate editor, a History professor at the University of Manitoba), Frieda Klippenstein (book reviews editor), Gordon Goldsborough (Pageant editor, production and promotions coordinator), Jim Burns (copy editor), and Maria Zbigniewicz (editorial assistant). In February 2014, with funding obtained from the University of Manitoba by Esyllt Jones, we hired Krista Walters (PhD student in History) as a part-time editorial intern, to assist us over a period of six months. We hope to foster a long-term working relationship with the faculty and students of the University for the production of our journal.

The journal was published three times: No. 72 Spring-Summer 2013, No. 73 Fall 2013, and No. 74 Winter 2014). The articles included in each issue can be found on the MHS website (www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/mb_history).

Mailing of the integrated journal/newsletter package is coordinated directly by our printer, Premier Printing, to all Canadian members using mailing labels provided by the MHS administrative office. (We stopped using clear plastic bags because it was determined that no perceptible damage to un-bagged journals occurred in the mail stream.) We continue to achieve considerable cost savings for postage by hand-delivering copies, in envelopes, destined to American and European members to the US Postal Service in North Dakota.

Editorial assistance with issues of *Manitoba History* produced in 2013-2014 was provided by Lecia Bourne (Calgary), Giles Bugailiskis (Winnipeg), Neil Christoffersen (Austin), Travis Everard (Treesbank), Sharon Foley (Archives of Manitoba), Mike Forster (Brandon), Gerald Friesen (Winnipeg), Marc George (Royal Canadian Artillery Museum), Christy Henry (Brandon University), Ken Jacobs (Winnipeg), James Kostuchuk (Portage la Prairie), Ed Ledohowski (Winnipeg), Rob McInnes (Winnipeg), Tom Mitchell (Brandon), Debra Moore (Hudson's Bay Company Archives), Arnold Permut (Winnipeg), Murray Peterson (City of Winnipeg), Clive Prothero-Brooks (Royal Canadian Artillery Museum), Bronwen Quarry (Archives of Manitoba), Joan Sinclair (Archives of Manitoba), Pat Sparling (Treherne), Craig Spencer (Treherne), Shelley Sweeney (University of Manitoba), Chelsea Synychych (Winnipeg), and Tracey Winthrop-Meyers (Arden).

Single copies of *Manitoba History* are available for purchase at McNally Robinson Booksellers (Winnipeg). In 2013-2014, they sold 48 copies of #71 (a special issue for the Selkirk Bicentenary), 35 copies of #72, and 33 copies of #73. Single copy purchasers receive the

additional benefit of the *MHS Gazette* (formerly *Timelines Newsletter*) which is now bundled with the journal.

Access to a digital version of the journal is available to members in good standing via the MHS website (www.mhs.mb.ca/members). The digital version contains the full contents of the paper version and is full colour and searchable. At present, 57 members have requested access to the digital version. An unknown number of people can access the digital version via the MHS arrangement with EBSCO Information Services (Ipswich, Massachusetts), which provide it to subscribing academic libraries and institutions, for which the MHS receives a royalty.

Newsletter

In 2013-2014, newsletter editor Eva Janssen produced content for three issues of the *MHS Gazette* (volume 45, numbers 2 to 4) included with each copy of *Manitoba History*. The newsletter is printed on different paper stock, and is stapled separately, and can be removed and read separately if members wish, but is bound into the journal for mailing, without increasing the cost of the journal mailing. This has reduced the cost of production of the newsletter significantly. Layout has changed from a two-column to a three-column format. Among the new features that have been introduced are lists of noteworthy anniversaries and interviews with people on historical subjects.

Website

Routine maintenance of the website over the past year has involved periodic correction of factual and formatting errors, addition of hyperlinks between related documents, and posting of historical news (www.mhs.mb.ca/news) and events (www.mhs.mb.ca/news/events.shtml).

About 700 new biographies were added this year to our Memorable Manitobans online collection, now comprising some 8,600 people. Suggestions for additions are received, generally by email, on a regular basis. We especially acknowledge the help provided by Ron Adam (St. Pierre), James Arnett (Toronto), Monica Ball (Winnipeg), Susan Bracken (Winnipeg), Robert Carr (Winnipeg), Christian Cassidy (Winnipeg), Andrew Cunningham (Toronto), Ken Howard (Selkirk), Frances Kasper (Winnipeg), Nathan Kramer (Winnipeg), Norm Larsen (Winnipeg), Connor Mah (Edmonton), and Rob McInnes (Winnipeg).

For the past four years, we have been creating a comprehensive inventory of historic sites in Manitoba for the MHS website (www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/sites). It allows visitors to identify and learn about historic sites around the province, including municipally, provincially and federally designated sites, commemorative plaques, cairns, war memorials, and sites that, though not designated, have been locally identified as having historic value.

In the past year, fieldwork to identify and document additional historic sites focused on southern and southeastern parts of the province. In 2012, we had collected information on 4,015 sites; as of May 2014, the total now stands at 4,784 sites. To fulfill the terms for the Heritage Grants in support of the mapping project, in December 2013 we worked at a bingo

session at the Club Regent Casino. Bingo volunteers were Gordon Goldsborough, Stefanie Goldsborough, Alan Mason, and Joyce Wawrykow.

In 2013-2014, help in compiling information on historic sites came from numerous people: Jim Anderson (Winnipeg), Ed Arndt (Virden), Wayne Arseny (Emerson), Ronnie Aschenbrenner (Carlyle, SK), Trish Aubin (Carman), Malcolm Bell (Vancouver, BC), Ina Bramadat (Roseisle), David Butterfield (Winnipeg), Shayne Campbell (Argyle), Christian Cassidy (Winnipeg), Neil Christoffersen (Austin), Glen Cook (Winnipeg), Sue Cosens (Stonewall), Andrew Cunningham (Toronto), Heidi den Haan (Churchill), Leona Devuyt (Deloraine), Reid Dickie (Winnipeg), John Dietz (Arden), Jack Dodds (Brandon), Allan Drysdale (Neepawa), David Ennis (Winnipeg), David Ford (Brandon), Mike Forster (Brandon), Jeff Gauley (Winnipeg), Ed Grassick (Pilot Mound), Ralph Groening (Morris), Sheila Grover (Winnipeg), Derryl Hall (Stonewall), Doris Hovorka (Sprague), Ken Howard (Selkirk), Georgette Hutlet (Cypress River), Lynn Jones (Winnipeg), Violet Joss (Brandon), Frank Kehler (Altona), James Kostuchuk (Portage la Prairie), Nathan Kramer (Winnipeg), Ed Ledohowski (Winnipeg), Natalie Macintosh (Red Deer, AB), Alan Mason (Winnipeg), Rob McInnes (Winnipeg), Peter McLure (Winnipeg), Jean McManus (Winnipeg), Tighe McManus (Winnipeg), Ross Metcalfe (Headingley), Tom Mitchell (Brandon), Patrick Morican (Gimli), Murray Peterson (Winnipeg), Bob Porth (Whitemouth), Tom Raine (Sanford), Petra Reimann (Clarkleigh), Adrene Schmidt (Waldersee), Al Schmidt (Altona), Merlin Shoemith (Stonewall), Carole Smith (Rounthwaite), Shawn Stankewich (Swan River), Ken Storie (Brandon), Lynette Stow (Winnipeg), Larry Taylor (Winnipeg), Patricia Tennent (Ninette), Al Thorleifson (Manitou), Darryl Toews (Morden), Len Van Roon (Winnipeg), Vicki Wallace (Cartwright), and Tim Worth (Winnipeg).

To make the inventory of historic sites more useful and powerful on mobile devices such as tablets and smartphones, we hired Shared Logic of Brandon to develop a database-driven “back end” for the interactive map.

The new version of the map, operational as of December 2013, now provides search-definition and mapping capabilities. There are two primary pages in this new interactive map:

1. the *Search Page* where the user defines criteria determining which sites will be displayed, and 2. the *Map Page* where the user-selected sites are shown. On the Search Page, are the following controls:

1. *Keywords*: Type any word or phrase, even a word fragment, and find all historic sites that contain it in their name or location. Create combinations of up to three successive keywords using AND, NOT, and OR.
2. *Municipality*: View only the historic sites contained within one of Manitoba’s municipalities. The default choice is all of them.
3. *Type*: View only the historic sites of a specific kind: Buildings, Cemeteries, Locations, Monuments, Museums/Archives, and Others. The default choice is all of them.
4. *Designated Sites*: View only historic sites that have been designated as municipally, provincially, or nationally noteworthy. The default choice is all sites regardless of official status.

Pressing a “Search” button will display a list of historic sites matching the selected criteria, or pressing a “Reset” button to start again. Finally, pressing a “Display Map” button will show the

Image Page where the historic sites matching the criteria are shown. Select individual symbols on that map to see information about a particular site, or press a “Search for Sites” button at the top of the Map Page to return to the Search Page.

The web site now comprises over 40,200 files, increased from 36,000 a year ago. It generally attracts between 1,200 and 1,700 unique visitors per day, averaging 1,689 for a total of 531,745 in the past year. Most of these visitors originate in Canada (82% of total) or the US (9%), peaking in mid-week and decreasing on weekends. About 261 search queries are made on our website each day, for a total of 95,163 queries in the past year.

We receive numerous emails daily on questions and comments relating to the website.

As part of outreach activities that we have undertaken to promote awareness and use of this inventory and interactive map, audiovisual presentations were made to *Antique Arts Club of Winnipeg* (29 April 2013), *Winnipeg SAGE* (25 October 2013), *Lansdowne Heritage Resources and Tourism Committee* (18 November 2013), and *the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Manitoba* (14 January 2014).

In addition, we are publishing brief summaries of some sites from the inventory in our journal *Manitoba History*. In 2013-2014, there were three such articles: “Manitoba’s Concrete Block Buildings” (*Number 72, Spring-Summer*), “Manitoba’s Historic Bridges” (*Number 73, Fall*), and “Manitoba’s Historic One-Room Schoolhouses” (*Number 74, Winter 2014*).

Local History Book Digitization

In 2013, the MHS continued its participation in an initiative of the Manitoba Library Consortium to digitize local history books. The objective is to make these books fully text-searchable and more readily available on the *Manitobiana* website (www.manitobiana.ca), with the objective of having nearly all of them digitized in time for Manitoba’s 150th anniversary in 2020.

Our partners at the University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections obtained additional funding of \$5,900 from the Manitoba Heritage Grants Program for the second phase of the project, the digitization of 200 more books.

Rarer volumes will be digitized using a photographic process that, while slower, preserves the book. (Books are destroyed by the faster digitization process used to date.)

Work on the second phase was delayed because the University is updating the servers on which the digitized books are stored. Meanwhile, acquisition of other books is ongoing. Members of the project team are Gordon Goldsborough (MHS), Jason Woloski (Manitoba Legislative Library), Brett Loughheed (University of Manitoba), Shelley Sweeney (University of Manitoba), and Jared Whiklo (University of Manitoba).

Gordon Goldsborough, Chair

Award Programs

Lieutenant Governor's Award for Historical Preservation and Promotion

This was the fourth year of the program, proposed by the MHS in 2011 to Lieutenant Governor Philip S. Lee to recognize Manitobans for their prolonged, meritorious contributions to the preservation and promotion of Manitoba history. Eighteen nominations were received by the deadline of 28 February 2014, of which five were recommended to Mr. Lee by the MHS committee consisting of James Kostuchuk, James Cox, Annabelle Mays, Jock Lehr, Harry Duckworth, and Gordon Goldsborough. The awards were presented during a ceremony and reception at Government House on 8 May 2014.

Ernest Braun of Niverville has documented the Mennonite heritage of southeastern Manitoba for over 20 years. He has compiled an inventory of early aerial photographs of the region, was active in the restoration of a pioneer church at Chortitz, and has catalogued historic sites for the Rural Municipality of Hanover. He has been a long-time member of the EastMenn Historical Society, Hanover Steinbach Historical Society, and Manitoba Mennonite Historical Society. He is a regular presenter at a Family Roots Day held annually at the Mennonite Heritage Village in Steinbach, and he has edited and written numerous reports and articles on Mennonite history. In 2013, he assisted in the deployment of markers at the site of 21 former one-room schoolhouses in his municipality.

Diane Haglund of Winnipeg has worked to preserve Manitoba's documentary heritage for over 30 years. As a volunteer advisor for the Association of Manitoba Archives, she has travelled the province to help community archives to improve their facilities, to foster the care and control of their documents, and to serve as a mentor for local archivists. She has been active, as an archivist for the United Church of Canada, in providing information to such groups as the Indian Residential Schools Truth and Reconciliation Commission. In addition, she has served on numerous advisory groups, including the Manitoba Heritage Council, the Manitoba Historical Society Council, and the City of Winnipeg Museums Board.

Frieda Jorheim of Inwood is a role model for local historians, having shared her time and talents with her community for over 47 years. She has welcomed numerous visitors into her home and helped them to trace their family roots in the Interlake region of Manitoba. She has helped to take an overgrown pioneer cemetery at Union Prairie and make it a source of local pride. She maintains the former Rondeau one-room schoolhouse for community gatherings, children's day camps, and an annual picnic. She was active in Inwood's centennial celebrations in 2006. She has contributed to two permanent records of community history: a book published in 1980 and another just recently completed.

Jack Mavins of Anola has dedicated many hours, as head of the Springfield Municipal Archives since 2006, to the preservation of local history by taking thousands of municipal records dating back to the 1880s and cataloguing them for storage in a new, accredited archival facility at Dugald. He has been the Treasurer of the Anola District Museum Board for 30 years, during which time the facility has grown in size five-fold. As a founding member and Chairman of the Springfield Municipal Cemetery Committee since 1988, he has transcribed all four municipal

cemeteries on behalf of the Manitoba Genealogical Society, and has developed a special skill as a “grave-witcher” to locate long-lost burials. His enthusiasm for genealogy has led to the writing of three family history books and the establishment of the Springfield Genealogy Club.

Gary Wowchuk of Swan River has promoted greater awareness of the archaeological heritage of Manitoba since 1972. An energetic volunteer with a professional level of competence, he has been President of the Swan Valley Historical Museum, the Swan Valley Historical Society, and the Swan Valley Archaeological Society. He is an acknowledged expert on paleo-Indian colonization of the Lake Agassiz basin, and especially the tools and ceramics of the pre-fur-trade period. His special skills have enabled him to produce exacting replicas of ancient stone tools for display at the Duck Mountain Forest Interpretive Centre, Manitoba Children’s Museum, Healing Site Interpretive Display, and University of Winnipeg Archaeology Lab. He has shared an extensive collection of artifacts with the Manitoba Museum. He has given numerous workshops and presentations for school and university students, First Nations groups, and such organizations as the Manitoba Archaeological Society and Association of Manitoba Archaeologists.

Gordon Goldsborough

Centennial Farm Program

2013-14 has been the second year of a utilization of funding from of a one -time donation to the Centennial Farm Program made in 2011 by the Brandon Area Community Foundation - Murray Auto Group. The donation has been internally allocated over a three-year period in order to fund the Centennial Farm program for three years. Allocation from the donation for the program began 2012-13. We are very grateful for this financial support, and each Centennial Farm plaque and certificate acknowledges this contribution.

Great appreciation is extended to David McDowell, who stepped in and kept the Centennial Farm program running smoothly over the busy months of July and August. This was not an easy task, with presentations and delivery of plaques happening weekly. Thanks are also extended to the other committee members – Lee Treilhard, Corinne Tellier, Denise Kolesar and Wayne Warren. Jac Hiebert of Brandon, a retired committee member, also made several presentations on behalf of the committee, as did James Kostuchuk, President of the Society.

We are sorry to say ‘farewell’ to long- time committee member, Lee Treilhard, who has left Manitoba and relocated to Southern Ontario. Lee joined the Centennial Farm committee in the late 1980’s and has been an invaluable member of our group, taking on presentations from Cartwright to Melita, Mulvihill to Foxwarren. Her wise counsel and willingness to help will be sorely missed. She was also a weekly volunteer tour guide at Dalnavert for decades and served for a term on the MHS council and executive . Thank you Lee. The Society has been very fortunate to be the recipient of her time and talents.

The following families have received a Centennial Farm plaque from the Manitoba Historical Society in 2013-14.

Region	Family	Farm Location	Year
Angusville	Peter & Judith Rubeniuk	NW 13-21-26 WPM	1913
Arborg	Archie Thompson	SE 10-24-1 EPM	1912
Arborg	Bob & Beverly Thompson	SW 10-24-1 EPM	1912
Ashville	Randy & Eleanor Zadorozny	S 1/2 of NW 36-25-21 WPM	1911
Carroll	Grant & Connie Moffatt	NE 6-8-19 WPM	1913
Deloraine	Ethel Black Larry & Susan Black David & Ashley Black	NE 2-2-22 WPM	1912
Elgin	John & Margaret Spratt	NW 36-5-21 WPM	1913
Fisher Branch	Marva (Rickbeil) & Victor Dmyterko	SE 35-25-3 WPM	1913
Fisher Branch	Bradley & Joanne Vandersteen	SW 16-25-1 WPM	1913
R.M. of Gilbert Plains	Thomas & Ellen Genik. Larry & Pat Genik	SW 34-26-22 WPM	1897
Horod	Leo & Florence Sichewski	NE 26-19-21 WPM	1902
Horod	Leo & Florence Sichewski	NW 25-19-21 WPM	1909
R. M. of Lawrence	Nicholas & Sylvia Biletski	S 1/2 of the SE 34-27-17 WPM	1904
Lorette	Roland & Eva Lebrun	E 1/2 of Lot 40, Parish of Lorette	1889
Lorette	Roland & Eva Lebrun	W 1/2 of Lot 40, Parish of Lorette	1891
MacGregor	Garry & Darlene Leckie	SE 35-10-11 WPM	1911
Miami	Geoffrey & Sarah Stepler	W 1/2 of the NE 15-5-7 WPM	1913
Minnedosa	Robert & Gladys Stewart	SE 34-14-18 WPM	1910
Minto	Del & Heather Fraser	NW 30-5-20 WPM	1913
Morden	Leslie & Celine Titchkosky	SW 11-2-6 WPM	1911
Notre Dame de Lourdes	Normand Roch	NW 7-7-8 WPM	1912
Plumas	Aaron Schmidt	NW 27-17-12 WPM	1913
Roland	Constance G. Johnston	NW 27-5-4 WPM	1898
Russell	Daryle & Veronica Laycock	NE 5-22-28 WPM	1901
Russell	Mark & Kerri Laycock	NW 17-22-28 WPM	1911

Region	Family	Farm Location	Year
Russell	Randy & Deanna Wondrasek	SE 34-19-29 WPM	1911
Sandy Lake	Julian & Karen Koversky	NE 1-18-20 WPM	1907
Sidney	Paul & Gayle Ham	SE 7-11-12 WPM	1912
Strathclair	William & Angela Grills	SW 3-16-22 WPM	1912
Steepprock	Stephen & Shawna Cook	SE 27-28-10 WPM	1913
Swan River	John & Lorna Twilley	SE 20-36-26 WPM	1904
Tilston	Manson & Barbara Moir	NW 21-5-29 WPM	1912
Virден	Arnold & Jacqueline Hill	SW 36-11-25 WPM	1913
Waldersee	Ron & Lise Mitchler	W 1/2 of the SW 28-18-12 WPM	1913
Winkler	William B. & Carol Ann Braun	SW 25-3-5 WPM	1913
Warren	Eleanor & Cameron M. Baldwin	SE and S 1/2 of NE 17-14-1 WPM	1913

The following families have received 125 year recognition

Bagot	Curtis & Valerie Pogue	SW 20-12-9 WPM	1888
Baldur	Edith (Bolack) & Normand Desrochers	NE 32-3-14 WPM	1881
Balmoral	John & Charlotte Peach	NE 4-15-2 EPM	1888
Clearwater	Craig & Carol Bere	NW 36-1-13 WPM	1888
Cypress River	Herbert & June (Arran) Nordman Dianne (Nordman) & Bill Arran Cheryl (Nordman) & Ernest Cheyne	NW 12-6-13 WPM	1880
Kenton	Ryan Carter & Mya Lowe	SW 4-13-23 WPM	1882
Killarney	Raymond & Thelma Rollins	SW 18-3-16 WPM	1888
Melita	Arthur & Audrey Gould	NW 14-5-26 WPM	1882
Oak Lake	Louis & Sherri Vachon	SW 21-8-23 WPM	1888
Winkler	Dennis & Amanda Peters	S 1/2 of the SE 27-3-4 WPM	1888
Winkler	John & Shanna Trinke	NW 21-3-4 WPM	1888

Anne MacVicar, Chair

Centennial Organizations

The Centennial Organization Award recognizes non-profit, and not-for-profit organizations which have operated in Manitoba for 100 years or more. In 2013, the Society was very proud to present two Centennial Awards to the following organizations:

Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors

The CIPHI was founded in Winnipeg, on April 19, 1913, under the name *The Sanitary Inspectors' Association of Western Canada*. Over the past century, the name has evolved as the association established branches in each province and region of the country. Through its members and trained workforce, CIPHI helps protect all Canadians from injury, illness, and premature death from hazards in built and natural environments.

The CIPHI represents and unites Environmental Public Health professionals across Canada. The institute continues to advance the profession and field of environmental public health through certification, advocacy, education and setting professional competencies and standards. While the head office has changed locations over the years, the Manitoba Branch remained in continuous operation over the course of the entire century and has remained as vibrant and visionary as ever, with many notable achievements, members and unsung heroes in the line of "Health Protection" work.

Manitoba 4-H Council – 4 – H Clubs in Manitoba

Since 1913, the 4-H clubs of Manitoba have grown their organization to become one of the most highly respected, widely recognized youth development program exclusive of those offered by the school system.

Over this hundred-year span, the 4-H Clubs in Manitoba have continuously adapted their program to meet the evolving and changing needs of Manitoba's youth and communities. The first clubs were multi-purpose and the 427 founding members raised poultry, and grew potatoes and fodder corn. The late 1920's saw the development of single project clubs, including grain, beef, sheep, dairy, garden, clothing and cookery. In 1963, when the club celebrated its 50th Anniversary, the trend returned to multi – purpose clubs, except for agricultural projects. Today, projects are on a variety of topics, ranging from sewing, cattle, and food, to rocketry, welding photography and beyond.

The Club's importance and longevity have survived through world changing and, often, world shattering, events. This is because the 4-H Club's 1913 founding mandate to provide skill development for Manitoba's youth is as relevant today as it was then, perhaps even more so.

In today's world, there is a continuing need for young people to step up and assume leadership roles in their home community and in the broader global context. The 4-H club prepares its members to come forward and assume the leadership roles that will contribute to the solution of our world problems.

In 2013, Dan Furlan was appointed Chair of the Centennial Organizations and Centennial Business Awards, and his first task as Chair was the presentation of the 2103 awards at the MHS AGM in June 2013. Since that time, he has been enthusiastically working on promoting the program, establishing contacts, and approaching firms and organizations that have been in operation for 100 years or more. Because of his efforts, applications have already been received for processing in 2014-15.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

Young Historians Award Program

The Young Historians Program was developed and launched in 1982, to encourage the interest of young Manitobans in Manitoba history, from an academic and personal perspective. The program is an important outreach vehicle to youth and educators throughout the province.

The program has evolved through the years to meet changes in provincial educational delivery methods and curriculum, technological advancement, and grade level participation. As MHS was involved with the early days of the creation of the Heritage Fair program in Winnipeg, the Society continues its support and involvement by judging at the local Red River and St. James Heritage Fairs, and encourages development of new heritage fairs throughout the province.

The George Bryce Award presented to first place projects in the Young Historians Program. This award is in honour of George Bryce, a cleric, educator and great writer of history, and one of the founders of the Manitoba Historical Society (formerly the Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society)

The Dr. Paul H. T. Thorlakson Award presented for excellence in projects related to Manitoba's history. The award was created in honour of the late father of Dr. T. Kenneth Thorlakson. Dr. Paul H. T. Thorlakson was a man who not only loved history for its own sake, but was a history maker in his own right, as a result of his contributions to the continuing evolution of health care, particularly in Manitoba, but also in Canada and internationally.

The Dr. Edward Shaw Award presented to the best senior student's paper in the Young Historians Program. This award was established by the Society in honour of the late Dr. Edward Shaw, a former president of the Manitoba Historical Society and a medical doctor who had a life-long passion for history. Dr. Shaw made significant contributions to Manitoba heritage projects as well as to a greater understanding of our province's history. This award is designed to encourage students to continue to pursue their interest in history.

The following Young Historians were awarded in 2013:

Multimedia Project
<i>Causes and Consequences of the Great Depression on Manitoba's Prairie</i> by Alice Guimond, Alex Curran, Melanie Mueller, Sonja Mueller - Roseau Valley School
<i>recipients of the Dr. Paul H. T Thorlakson and George Bryce Awards</i>
Historical Fiction
<i>A Stolen Generation</i> by Paige Hastings Van- Balmoral Hall School
<i>Recipient of the Dr. Paul H.T Thorlakson and George Bryce Awards</i>
Research Paper
<i>Swan Lake First Nation: The Phoenix Reborn from the Fire</i> by Hazel Deng- Balmoral Hall School
<i>recipient of the Dr. Paul H. T. Thorlakson Award, George Bryce Award, and the Dr. Edward T. Shaw Award</i>

Thank you to the students, teachers who participated in the program, and to the 2013 -14 Manitoba Historical Society Education Committee, which comprised Annabelle Mays, Cathy Phillipson, James Kostuchuk, Cathy Phillipson, Chrissie Ambrose, Jorge Rivero, Erin McIntyre, Nathan Hatton, and Jennifer Bisch.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

MARGARET MCWILLIAMS AWARDS

Category	Title	Author & Publisher
Scholarly History	<i>Breathing Life into the Stone Fort Treaty: An Anissinabe Understanding of Treaty One</i>	Aimée Craft Purich Publishing Ltd.
Popular History	<i>The Wittenbergs</i>	Sarah Klassen Turnstone Press

Jurors were Jim Richtik, Barry Bills, Ron Kirbyson, and Anne Morton. We thank them for their valuable service on behalf of the McWilliams program.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

Programs

MHS History Book Club

The History Book Club continues to meet, with an average of 15 members (ranging from 11 to 20) in attendance at our meetings at the Dalnavert Visitor Centre. We normally meet from 7 to 9 PM on the third Monday from September to May, with no meeting in December or from June to August. Our cold and stormy winter interfered with more than one of our scheduled meetings, but we were still able to read, meet, laugh and learn.

Our last presentation of the season was in April 2013. Joe Upton led a lively discussion of Dale Barbour's book on Winnipeg Beach, with members contributing their memories of the Midnight train rides and special times at the beach. The season ended with our traditional potluck when we selected the books for the next season, always a popular event with many possibilities to choose from.

The fall season began with Oriole Veldhuis's presentation on her great-grandmother, Elise Vane, which she wrote about in *For Elise: Unveiling the Forgotten Woman on the Criddle Homestead*. The extent of her research and the stories she created to fill out her great-grandmother's experiences all added to the enjoyment of the evening.

During the year, we considered Canada's and Manitoba's history from a number of viewpoints. Cathy Phillipson brought Murray Burt as a guest to discuss his book *Winnipeg's Ladies from Hell: How the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders of Canada Fought, Remembered and Grew in the Regiment's First Century of War and Peace*.

In the next meeting, Céline Kear tackled the classic Canadian novel by Hugh MacLennan, *Two Solitudes*, focusing not only on its depiction of Canada's dual inheritance but also on what fiction can teach us about history.

Carol Scott tackled our inheritance as a Treaty People by presenting Robert J. Talbot's *Negotiating the Numbered Treaties: An Intellectual and Political Biography of Alexander Morris*.

Shirlee Anne Smith and Jim Alward reviewed David A. Wilson's second volume on *Thomas D'Arcy McGee: The Extreme Moderate, 1857-1868*, of interest not only for its information on this fascinating politician but also for the Irish influence on the development of Canada.

Carl James dealt with the life of William Cornelius Van Horne and his role in creating the Canadian railway system in the biography *Telegrapher to Titan* by Valerie Knowles.

In the April, meeting Judy Valenzuela dealt with the missionary, Rev. Luther Schuetze and his wife, who provided religious, social and medical care at Little Grand Rapids.

When we meet in May at our potluck, we will plan another year's opportunity to meet and discuss aspects of the past and their influence on our future. Check the website or the newsletter for the new schedule. New members are welcome. Please contact Judy Valenzuela

(204-475-66660, jhbval@mymts.net) if you plan to attend so she can get your name and contact information on the list and make sure there are enough chairs, coffee and tea, and goodies.

Judy Valenzuela

Blue Plaques Program

During the 2013-14 year, the Society arranged to install two more plaques in front of houses where famous Manitobans once lived. One, at 99 George Street, in Point Douglas, commemorates the house where Margaret Scott, nurse and social activist, lived and operated the Scott Mission from 1906 to 1931. The other, at 164 Harrow Street, in Crescentwood, marks the house where Betty Farrally and Gweneth Lloyd, co-founders of the Royal Winnipeg Ballet, lived from 1949 to 1957. Both of these plaques are in Winnipeg, but three more, all for locations outside Winnipeg, have been manufactured and will be installed this summer. This program is sponsored by the Manitoba Real Estate Association, whom the Society thanks. The plaques, carved in aluminum and painted with weather-resistant paint, are manufactured by Insign Architectural Signage of Winnipeg. Suggestions for other Manitoba houses associated with famous women or men are welcome. The house must still be standing, and the person to be commemorated must be of more than local significance. Living persons are not included in the program. Suggestions are most useful if the current owners of the house are known, and are willing to have the plaque installed, at no charge to them.

Harry Duckworth

Program Committee

For several decades, members of Society Program committees have been developing and presenting historical themed, educational and entertaining programs for the enjoyment of the members of the Society, and the public.

The committee develops and presents four to five programs annually, a multicultural dinner, a historic film night, a tour and lecture of a local historic site, and the program for the Society AGM.

In addition to the committee duties, members of the program committee also assist with the work of other committees, such as the annual Macdonald Dinner, and other program based events.

The very popular Multi Cultural dinner, a project led and organized for many years by volunteer and MHS member Pat Forsythe, was held in April in partnership with Winnipeg's Filipino community. The evening featured a martial arts demonstration, traditional foods and musician and activist Levy Abad who was our guest speaker, and it was greatly enjoyed by all those in attendance.

In September, Lynn Roseman gave a very interesting tour of the Shaarey Zedek Cemetery - the second oldest Jewish cemetery in Manitoba.

The annual MHS film night was held in November at the University of Winnipeg and featured a historic film from the Provincial Archives of Manitoba about the surrender of the original Peguis Reserve. After the showing of the film there was a panel discussion followed by questions from the audience directed to the panel.

This past year saw the departure of Dr. John Selwood, Dan Furlan, and Bill Owen from the committee. We would like to thank them for their active participation over the years.

Carl James, Chair

Field Trip Program

2013-14 saw the return of a program beloved by members and the public at large, the popular Field Trip Program, a project led by John Lehr.

A Spring Field Trip, a partnership program with Creative Retirement Manitoba, was held on June 15, 2013 was organized and guided by Gordon Goldsborough and John Lehr.

The daylong trip focussed on early schools and the development of education in Manitoba- exploring the difficulties of pioneer education, women teachers on the Frontier, the bilingual controversy, and education and minority groups, while travelling through some of the provinces most scenic countryside. Lunch was served at former school in Ninette, now a private residence, and a special visit was made to the Ninette Sanatorium, which has been long closed to the public. The tour stopped in Brandon to visit several historic sites, including that of the former Indian Residential School.

Future field trips are being planned for the 2014-15 season.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

Annual Sir John A. Macdonald Dinner

The Macdonald Dinner is a long standing tradition of the Society, a formal, entertaining annual celebration for members and friends to come together to celebrate the history of Manitoba. The dinner has been hosted by the Society for 49 years, and soon will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary that coincides with Sir John's 200th birthday. The dinner has featured many notable guest speakers over the years, and Rex Murphy, Hon. Justice Murray Sinclair, Mike Ford of Moxy Frivous fame, Margret Sweatman, and Harry Duckworth Sr. are but a few of the individuals who have been our special guests.

The Dinner, originally scheduled for January 11, was postponed to March 15, due to inclement weather conditions, perhaps creating yet another historic fact for future historians when

discussing the winter of 2013-14, as it is one of the few, if any, postponements of the dinner in the history of the Society.

The theme for 49th Annual Macdonald Dinner was the History of Rock and Roll in Manitoba, with author and local rock historian John Einarson. The presentation by Dr. Einarson focussed on Manitoba's rich music heritage, and the need to preserve it. Jim Ingebrigtsen, who as always delighted the crowd with his fun and witty repartee, was the host for the evening.

The Society's honorary patron, his Honour Lieutenant Governor Philip S. Lee, and Her Honour, Mrs. Anita K. Lee, attended, along with several members of Winnipeg's early Rock and Roll bands, and rock historian and 92. City FM radio personality Howard Mandshein, along with members and friends of the Manitoba Historical Society.

Thank you to our sponsors the Fort Gary Hotel, and the Winnipeg Free Press, and to organizing committee members James Kostuchuk, Jim Cox, and Carl James.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

Historic Preservation

In 2012, the MHS Historic Preservation Committee was reactivated following several years of inactivity. Its objective is to promote greater awareness of Manitoba's built heritage, especially in rural areas of the province where there are few advocates, through project work and liaison with Municipal Heritage Advisory Committees (MHAC). In 2013-2014, the committee members were Gordon Goldsborough (co-chair), James Kostuchuk (co-chair), Ross Metcalfe, and Joyce Wawrykow. The committee undertook two projects in 2013-2014.

Rural Schools Project This project, begun in 2012 with financial support provided by Thomas Sill Foundation, has the following two objectives: 1. to develop a case study illustrating the potential usefulness of public buildings in rural Manitoba using, as an example, the multi-classroom consolidated schools erected in the early 20th century, and 2. to organize a workshop during the annual convention of the Association of Manitoba Municipalities (AMM) to present this case study, hear presentations by heritage experts and masonry specialists, and have a thorough discussion on the challenges facing heritage building conservation in rural Manitoba.

During 2013-2014, we collected information on nine school buildings in rural Manitoba, from archival sources as well as visits to each site and discussions with pertinent people involved with each building. The buildings (and years of construction) were as follows: *Brant-Argyle School (1914), Cardale School (1914), Carroll School (1915), Darlingford School (1910), Gimli School (1915), Melita School (1893), Portage North Ward School (1910), Rapid City School (1902), and Starbuck School (1910).*

A building assessment sheet was prepared based on a standard set of questions. In each case, we collected the following information: 1. building configuration (interior and exterior materials, utilities, construction details such as identity of architect and contractor, present

condition assessment), 2. building history during school operation (compiled using community history books, local knowledge, and documents at the Archives of Manitoba), 3. building history following school closure, and 4. discussion of specific challenges facing future reuse opportunities. We also prepared a scaled drawing of the present configuration of each building, a site plan, and took a large collection of digital photographs.

The original plan was to hold the workshop during the 2013 AMM convention. This proved infeasible due to unforeseen delays in the acquisition of data for the case studies. We anticipate holding the workshop in 2014 or 2015.

Military Memorials Project In 1996, Patrick Morican of Gimli developed a comprehensive inventory of military memorials around Manitoba, complete with photographs and transcribed texts from each memorial. In preparing for the 100th anniversary of the beginning of the First World War in 2014, the MHS is collaborating with the Portage and District MHAC to ensure that all memorials included in the Moricon inventory are also included in the MHS Historic Sites of Manitoba inventory. The MHAC has received a Manitoba Heritage Grant of \$5,900 and Morican has been hired as a consultant to research and write an overview essay on the subject of Manitoba's war memorials. This important addition to the inventory will ensure that this major resource connected to the history of the First World War has as much impact as possible. Presumed subjects to be addressed by Morican's essay would include: Commonwealth War Graves Commission, memorial designs (common/popular types, special types), sculptures (types, origins), materials, designers (local, eastern Canadian), builders, local issues, local stories, battles mentioned, and regiments. It is planned that an abridged version of the Morican essay will be published in a 2015 issue of *Manitoba History*.

Gordon Goldsborough

Museums

Dalnavert Museum

Dalnavert Museum is a Municipal, Provincial and National Historic Site, the former home of Sir Hugh John Macdonald and family. The museum depicts the Victorian lifestyle of a prosperous family in 1895, and interprets the importance of the family in Winnipeg's history. The museum has been operated as a museum since 1974, upon completion of the Manitoba Historical Society's restoration.

In January 2013, the museum hours of operation were changed to 4 hours a day, Wed to Saturday, closing Sunday. During July and August, hours underwent a further reduction, and the museum was open for summer programming Thursdays, 11 am and 2 pm, and open Friday and Saturdays 10-4 pm for drop ins. The museum itself closed for visits for the purpose of further museum organizational restructuring, however the Visitor Centre operations an important source of revenue for the museum, remained open throughout the year.

Collection Management

To date, 2000 records have been transferred from the Virtual Collections software to the Past Perfect software. 2,000 outstanding records and files need to be transferred. A review of the attic storage area was undertaken to identify stored items for possible deaccession, dispersal, or integration into the existing collection.

Programming

Three programs were provided by summer program assistant Kayla Quiring, our popular *Treasure Hunt*, *Secret Garden*, with the addition of *Lady Mac's Tea Party*. Advance booking was required, and the Treasure Hunt Program was offered to drop in visitors on Saturdays.

Grants

The CAO prepared the grant for the City of Winnipeg in September, and presented it to the City of Winnipeg Museum Board.

Audio Tour

The audio tour, a project conceived and for which grant funding was secured in 2011, was originally scheduled to be delivered and launched in 2012. As the project grew in size, and the vast amount of research required that was necessary to the quality and integrity of the project, the launch of the tour was postponed until the project could be completed as re-visualized. The launch is expected to take place in the future, once the organizational restructuring of the museum takes place. The Executive committee had discussed the possibility of utilizing the audio tour in connection with a virtual museum tour, another cutting edge program, however, this concept has not been fully developed or researched, but would be a project well worth considering for development in the future.

Visitor Centre Operations

When the hall is not being utilized for museum programming and exhibits, the space is rented to provide a source of income in support of the museum operations. In recent years, rentals focus on meetings and organizational retreats. The Society continues engagement and interaction with its community and neighbourhood, and was happy to provide the hall for use of the Downtown Community Residents Association for their annual holiday get together, and their AGM. The parking lot is currently a valuable source of rental income. Revenues are linked to lot usage based on fluctuations in museum visitor attendance. Due to funding shortages in the last several years, no new stock has been purchased for the gift shop since 2010, save for donated stock items for the holiday season, and consignment pieces.

Dalnavert Garden

The Dalnavert Garden Committee donates and devotes hundreds of hours of their time to the garden, a meticulously and artfully crated collection of perennials and annuals with historic significance. The garden complements the museum programming, and is a source of pride and enjoyment to volunteers, visitors, and to the residents of our downtown neighbourhood. Our thanks and gratitude is extended to Mr. Bill Plantje, of Bill's Green House for his generous

donation of annual which bring beauty to the garden each year. We extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to our garden volunteers.

Summer Students

Dalnavert museum received grants for two summer students to provide support to the operations of the museum. Kayla Quiring, program assistant, and Dustin Glaseman, curatorial assistant, were a valuable addition to our museum operational team during the summer, and a pleasure to work with.

Our sincere thanks and gratitude are extended to our Dalnavert volunteers, who give generously their time and talents in support of museum operations.

Jacqueline Friesen, CAO

Ross House Museum

Ross House was built in 1854 on the banks of the Red River, at the foot of Market Avenue, for William and Jemima Ross. In 1855, the Council of Assiniboia reorganized the Red River Settlement's mail service from the bi-annual packet via The Hudson's Bay Company to the service by way of Pembina and appointed William as its first postmaster. He used his home as the first post office until his death in May 1856. The museum reflects the history of the Ross family and William Coldwell and their contribution to the Red River Settlement. The MHS rescued the house from demolition in 1949, and once restored, it was relocated to Higgins Avenue in 1952, with the final move to Joe Zuken Park, in 1984. The museum is owned by the City of Winnipeg, operated by the Manitoba Historical Society, which makes applications and receives grant funding from municipal, provincial, and federal grants, to support operations and summer student employment.

The annual Jane's Walk Tour of Point Douglas took place May 4th, with volunteer Robert Galston, who led a group of 80 persons from the museum through the neighbourhood. The museum was honoured with a special visit from descendents of Sarah Ross, the Flynn family of Minnesota.

Ross house participated Heritage Winnipeg's Doors Open program May 25 & 26. Our thanks are extended to Ross House volunteers David McDowell and Genevieve Perchette. Ross House hosted 220 guests during the event.

Ross House hosted its annual Canada Day Celebration Barbeque, attracting 400 visitors. Tibert le Voyageur, storyteller, and musician, entertained our guests, and volunteers Tracy Gagnon, former staff member, and her mother Jane organized games and crafts. Guest also dropped in at the Reading Tent, hosted by Frontier College, which distributed free Kayak magazines to all children in attendance, donated by Canada's History Society, program director Joel Ralph. The Church of the Rock provided 24 volunteers to assist with the event. Kevin Chief MLA, and cut and served the Canada Day Birthday Cake. We express our gratitude and thanks to all the volunteers who worked on Canada Day team, this day was a success because of your generous

gift of time. Thank you to our sponsors, the Government of Canada, the Joe Zuken Memorial Trust, and the Manitoba Historical Society.

Summer Students Tyler Krotowich and Samantha Plett worked as interpretative & walking tour guides, visitor service clerks, and conservation management. The students were a pleasure to work with and we enjoyed having them on the museum team for the 2013 season.

Victor Sawelo
Ross House Manager

Manitoba Historical Society Heritage Trust Foundation

The Manitoba Historical Society Heritage Trust Foundation was established in June of 1984 to receive donations and administer the assets of the resulting capital fund to provide income for the operation of Dalnavert Museum and for other appropriate needs of the Society. In June of 1985, the Winnipeg Foundation was appointed custodian and manager of the capital fund.

A five member Board of Trustees, appointed for a two-year term by the Society's Executive (two trustees) and Council (three trustees), administers the Trust. Board members for the 2012-2014 term were Francis Carroll, Alan Crossin (Chair), Harry Duckworth, Gwyneth Jones and Carol Scott. Shirlee Anne Smith is Trustee Emerita.

During the past fiscal year, there were no donations to the fund and no monies were transferred to The Winnipeg Foundation. Income received from the Foundation totalled \$33,925. Dalnavert Museum was paid the amount requested for operating expenses, \$35,000.

In February of 2014 an extraordinary payment of \$43,282 was made from the capital of the fund to the Manitoba Historical Society in response to a request from the Society's President for funding to cover the operating deficit of Dalnavert Museum. The Trust Agreement contains severe restrictions on the withdrawal of capital, but the trustees agreed that a payment of this amount could be justified as a withdrawal of undistributed income. The trustees also agreed that a request from MHS Council for a further payment would be considered subject to the condition that a finance committee, to include at least one person with professional accounting qualifications, be struck to provide a full assessment and report on the society's finances.

Total assets as of March 31, 2014 were \$932,277 on deposit with The Winnipeg Foundation, \$34,865 cash in bank and \$5,550 in accrued income for a total balance of \$972,692. This is over \$60,000 more than last year's total, reflecting the gradual but significant recovery of the financial markets. It is noteworthy that this increase was achieved despite the withdrawal of \$43,282 from capital as described above.

The decrease in our quarterly income payments from The Winnipeg Foundation that began in 2009 has continued in subsequent years. These payments are calculated on an annual "spending" or distribution rate, which was reduced from 5% to 4.8% beginning October 1, 2009.

There have been further reductions of 0.2% in each of the following years to 4.0% on October 1, 2013. The Winnipeg Foundation has advised us that the Spending Rate will remain at 4.0% for 2014 and 2015 but will increase to 4.2% for 2016.

Now that the Spending Rate has stabilized, with gradual increases on the horizon, together with the increasing Fair Value (market value) of our fund (to which the Spending Rate is applied), the outlook is favourable for gradual increases in the income received from the Foundation in the years ahead. This outcome will of course not be possible if significant withdrawals from capital continue.

Alan Crossin, Chair

Finance & Administration- CAO Report

This year represents the third year of difficult financial challenges experienced by the Society for its Dalnavert Operations.

The Society has continues to develop collaborative partnerships with other agencies, the business community and other stakeholders in the province, partnering to share resources and services with other heritage organizations on a provincial and federal level.

The Visitor Centre capital repair project, phase three, was completed in early spring. Phase 4, cosmetic and lighting repairs, was put on hold for 13-14, and will be completed when Dalnavert's financial situation has stabilized. All of these matters stem from ongoing original construction issues from 2004-2005, that had not been resolved in the years after construction was completed.

Our rental operations are an important part of our ancillary operating revenue for Dalnavert, as is our gift shop. This year, sales are down as we discounted the majority of our stock, and wrote off old stock assets from the last decade or earlier.

Each year application is made to the Ministry of Tourism Culture, Heritage, Sport and Consumer Protection, for an operating grant. We are grateful for the ongoing funding and support provided by the Ministry. The province also provides funding from a Heritage grant program, which aids heritage groups and organizations like ours to undertake special projects, and this year saw grants being awarded to the Society website, for the mapping project.

Thank you to our dedicated volunteers who serve as board members, committee members, travel the countryside presenting plaques, judge papers, publish our journal and newsletter, provide clerical support, and work in our museums. Your gift of time is an important asset and pivotal in carrying out the operations of the Society.

Jacqueline Friesen
Chief Administrative Officer

DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

The Society expresses our thanks and gratitude for the generous financial support of our sponsors and donors.

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MANITOBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2014





INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members of The Manitoba Historical Society:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Manitoba Historical Society, which comprise the statement of financial position as at March 31, 2014, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-For-Profit Organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many charitable organizations, the company derives revenue from donations, the completeness of which is not susceptible of satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the company and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to contributions, excess of revenues over expenses, current assets and net assets.

Qualified Opinion

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which we might have determined to be necessary had we been able to satisfy ourselves concerning the completeness of the contributions referred to in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Manitoba Historical Society as at March 31, 2014 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-For-Profit Organizations.

May 30, 2014
Winnipeg, MB

M Group LLP

Chartered Accountants

**MANITOBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

Year ended March 31, 2014

	Operating Fund	MHS Heritage Fund	Dr. E. Shaw Fund	Dr. Paul Thoriakson Fund	Dalnavert				Margarat McWilliams Fund	Documentary History Fund	Centennial Memorial Fund	Total	
					Dalnavert Special Projects Fund	Historic Building Fund	Dalnavert Historic Site Fund	Dalnavert Visitor's Centre Fund				March 31 2014	March 31 2013
Current assets:													
Cash	\$ 57,345	34,865	406	1,202	-	1,913	-	5,784	1,042	7,788	1,770	\$ 112,115	\$ 106,112
Investments (Note 4)	77,232	-	4,129	3,097	-	6,194	-	-	6,194	-	23,318	120,164	125,413
Accounts receivable	6,905	-	-	-	-	-	2,561	-	-	-	-	9,466	46,321
Inventory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,258
Prepaid expenses	325	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	325	315
	141,807	34,865	4,535	4,299	-	8,107	-	8,345	7,236	7,788	25,088	242,070	290,419
Due from Operating Fund	-	-	-	206	10,907	-	-	51,406	-	-	-	62,519	54,395
Due from Centennial Memorial Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,250
Investments (Note 4)	-	937,827	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	937,827	873,315
Dalnavert Historic Site	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,264,736	-	-	-	-	2,264,736	2,264,736
	\$ 141,807	\$ 972,692	\$ 4,535	\$ 4,505	\$ 10,907	\$ 8,107	\$ 2,264,736	\$ 59,751	\$ 7,236	\$ 7,788	\$ 25,088	\$ 3,507,152	\$ 3,488,115
Current liabilities:													
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 10,429	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,429	\$ 36,545
Deferred contributions	4,644	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,644	9,272
	15,073	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,073	45,817
Due to Dalnavert Special projects	10,907	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,907	10,907
Due to Dalnavert Visitor's Centre Fund	51,406	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	51,406	43,282
Due to Operating Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,250
Due to Dr. Thoriakson Fund	206	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	206	206
	77,592	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	77,592	105,462
Fund balances:													
Invested in Dalnavert Historic Site	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,264,736	-	-	-	-	2,264,736	2,264,736
Externally restricted	-	972,692	4,535	4,505	-	-	-	59,751	7,236	-	25,088	1,073,807	1,042,437
Internally restricted	-	-	-	-	10,907	8,107	-	-	-	7,788	-	26,802	26,730
Unrestricted- General	49,754	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,754	60,818
Dalnavert	14,461	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,461	(12,068)
	64,215	972,692	4,535	4,505	10,907	8,107	2,264,736	59,751	7,236	7,788	25,088	3,429,560	3,382,653
	\$ 141,807	\$ 972,692	\$ 4,535	\$ 4,505	\$ 10,907	\$ 8,107	\$ 2,264,736	\$ 59,751	\$ 7,236	\$ 7,788	\$ 25,088	\$ 3,507,152	\$ 3,488,115

APPROVED BY THE BOARD: _____ DIRECTOR _____ DIRECTOR _____

MANITOBA HISTORICAL SOCIETY
STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year ended March 31, 2014

	Operating Fund (Schedule 1)										Restricted Funds					Endowment Funds				
											2014									
	2014	2013	MHS	Dr. E.	Dr. Paul H.T.	Dalnavert	Historic	Dalnavert	Dalnavert	Documentary	2013	2014	Margaret	Centennial	2013	2014	2013			
Total	Total	Heritage	Shaw	Thorlakson	Special	Building Fund	Historic Fund	Historic Site	Visitor's Centre	History Fund	Total	Total	McWilliams	Memorial	Total	Total	Total			
Revenue:	\$	91,872	\$	-	\$	-	-	-	\$	-	-	\$	7,125	\$	-	\$	-			
Grants (Note 5)		16,154		-																
Donations		11,408		-																
Memberships		727		40		61			68	11	77,261		60		223		298			
Realized investment income		2,818																		
Admissions		3,766																		
Merchandise sales		79,418																		
Programs		5,000																		
Management fee		14,894																		
Rentals		4,686																		
Other		215									48									
		195,558		40		61			68	11	77,309		60		223		298			
Expenses:		5,430																		
Accounting and legal		420																		
Bad debts		1,975							10		10						6			
Bank charges																				
Collection care/control		332																		
Fundraising development		5,125							2,061		2,061									
Goods and Services Tax																				
Insurance		13,233																		
Merchandise from stock		12,288																		
Miscellaneous		1,518																		
Newsletter, printing and postage		650																		
Office		4,432																		
Programs		76,485																		
Promotion		333																		
Property taxes (museum)		13,274																		
Projects																				
Repairs and maintenance		15,229							29,311		29,311									
Salaries and employee benefits		80,578																		
Telephone and utilities (Note 7)		27,235																		
		259,505							31,382		31,382						6			
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expense from operations		(63,947)		40		61			(31,314)	11	45,927		60		223		292			
Unrealized investment income/(loss)											64,668									
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expense for the year		(63,947)		40		61			(31,314)	11	110,572		60		223		292			
Fund balances, beginning of year		48,748		4,495		8,046		2,264,736	91,065	7,777	3,300,731		7,176		25,997		38,130			
Interfund transfers (Schedule 3)		79,414									(78,282)				(1,132)		(5,250)			
Fund balances, end of year		64,215		4,535		8,107		2,264,736	59,751	7,788	3,333,021		7,236		25,088		33,172			

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SCHEDULE OF OPERATING FUND OPERATIONS AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES

Year ended March 31

	2014			2013		
	General	Dalnavert	Total	General	Dalnavert	Total
Revenue:						
Grants (Note 5)	\$ 26,400	31,575	\$ 57,975	\$ 38,162	53,710	\$ 91,872
Donations	6,984	9,170	16,154	14,484	3,540	18,024
Memberships	10,448	-	10,448	11,408	-	11,408
Interest	727	-	727	632	-	632
Admissions	-	2,818	2,818	-	6,333	6,333
Merchandise sales	-	3,766	3,766	-	5,180	5,180
Programs (Note 6)	77,396	2,022	79,418	75,520	9,605	85,125
Management fee	5,000	-	5,000	4,000	-	4,000
Rentals	-	14,566	14,566	-	14,894	14,894
Other	334	4,352	4,686	215	-	215
	<u>127,289</u>	<u>68,269</u>	<u>195,558</u>	<u>144,421</u>	<u>93,262</u>	<u>237,683</u>
Expense:						
Accounting and legal	4,058	2,500	6,558	2,930	2,500	5,430
Bad debts	420	-	420	-	-	-
Bank charges	1,975	-	1,975	2,069	-	2,069
Collection care/control	-	-	-	-	332	332
Fundraising development	-	-	-	5,125	-	5,125
Goods and Services Tax	5,327	-	5,327	-	-	-
Insurance	835	12,398	13,233	780	11,832	12,612
Merchandise from stock	-	12,258	12,258	-	7,022	7,022
Miscellaneous	1,518	-	1,518	71	-	71
Newsletter, printing and postage	650	-	650	1,732	-	1,732
Office	4,432	-	4,432	4,775	-	4,775
Programs (Note 6)	73,792	2,693	76,485	70,839	11,956	82,795
Promotion	-	333	333	352	-	352
Property taxes (museum)	-	13,274	13,274	-	13,461	13,461
Projects	-	-	-	17,196	19,140	36,336
Repairs and maintenance	-	15,229	15,229	-	17,216	17,216
Salaries and employee benefits	37,138	43,440	80,578	35,348	68,496	103,844
Security	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone and utilities (Note 7)	2,138	25,097	27,235	2,247	21,849	24,096
	<u>132,283</u>	<u>127,222</u>	<u>259,505</u>	<u>143,464</u>	<u>173,804</u>	<u>317,268</u>
Deficiency of revenue over expense for the year	<u>(4,994)</u>	<u>(58,953)</u>	<u>(63,947)</u>	<u>957</u>	<u>(80,542)</u>	<u>(79,585)</u>
Fund balances, beginning of year	60,816	(12,068)	48,748	61,259	23,274	84,533
Interfund transfers (Schedule 3)	<u>(6,068)</u>	<u>85,482</u>	<u>79,414</u>	<u>(1,400)</u>	<u>45,200</u>	<u>43,800</u>
Fund balances, end of year	\$ <u>49,754</u>	\$ <u>14,461</u>	\$ <u>64,215</u>	\$ <u>60,816</u>	\$ <u>(12,068)</u>	\$ <u>48,748</u>

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SCHEDULE OF REVENUE AND EXPENSE

ROSS HOUSE

	<u>Year ended March 31</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Revenue:		
Grants (Note 5)	\$ 36,531	\$ 38,757
Donations	<u>400</u>	<u>432</u>
	36,931	39,189
Expense:		
Administration fees	5,000	4,000
Audit and accounting	1,600	1,600
GST Expense	1,383	-
Insurance	780	600
Office and sundry	533	579
Programs and special events	1,234	2,281
Salaries and employee benefits	23,200	25,927
Telephone and utilities	<u>1,150</u>	<u>852</u>
	<u>34,880</u>	<u>35,839</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expense	\$ <u>2,051</u>	\$ <u>3,350</u>

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	<u>Year ended March 31</u>	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Revenue:		
Sales and royalties	\$ 7,631	\$ 3,813
Donations	-	6,143
Grants	<u>653</u>	<u>6,847</u>
	8,284	16,803
Expense:		
Publishing costs	<u>10,784</u>	<u>18,771</u>
Deficiency of revenue over expense	\$ <u>(2,500)</u>	\$ <u>(1,968)</u>

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SCHEDULE OF INTERFUND TRANSFERS**

Year Ended March 31, 2014

	Transfer to (from) <u>Fund</u>	<u>Transfer (from) to Fund</u>			
		<u>Operating Fund</u>		<u>MHS Heritage</u>	<u>Centennial Memorial Fund</u>
		<u>General</u>	<u>Dalnavert</u>		
Operating Fund-					
General	\$ -	\$ (7,200)	7,200	-	-
Dalnavert	78,282	-	-	(78,282)	-
MHS Heritage	(78,282)	-	78,282	-	-
Centennial Memorial Fund	-	1,132	-	-	(1,132)
	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ (6,068)</u>	<u>\$ 85,482</u>	<u>\$ (78,282)</u>	<u>\$ (1,132)</u>
			<u>\$ 79,414</u>		

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2014

1. Basis of presentation:

The financial statements were prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (GAAP).

2. Purpose of the organization:

The Manitoba Historical Society's mandate is to foster the preservation of property relevant to an appreciation of the history of Manitoba, to encourage research and publications relating to the history of Manitoba, to promote and encourage public interest in Manitoba and Canadian history, and to assist in the formation and work of local historical societies in furthering the objectives of the Society throughout Manitoba. In addition, it operates Dalnavert Museum and Ross House. It was incorporated under a Special Act of Legislation in 1879 and is a registered charity under the Income Tax Act.

3. Significant accounting policies:

(a) Fund accounting-

The Society follows the restricted fund method of accounting for contributions.

The Operating Fund accounts for the organization's (including Dalnavert Museum) program delivery and administrative activities. This fund reports unrestricted resources and restricted operating grants.

The MHS Heritage Fund reports restricted resources, the use of which is determined by the trustees of the fund. The fund is administered by the Winnipeg Foundation.

The Dr. E. Shaw Fund was established from donations made to the Society to encourage Manitoba students to develop or pursue an interest in history. An award of \$100 is given to the best senior high entry in the Young Historians Competition.

The Dr. Paul H. T. Thorlakson Fund was established from proceeds of the sale of the publication *Pioneer Icelandic Pastor – The Life of the Reverend Paul Thorlakson*. Interest earned annually is to be used for operations of the Young Historians Award Committee.

The Dalnavert Special Projects Fund reports restricted resources for Dalnavert special projects.

The Dalnavert Historic Site Fund reports amounts capitalized on purchase of the Dalnavert property and renovations to the historical museum. Amortization expense is not recorded on capital assets of this fund.

The Margaret McWilliams Fund was established through the generosity of the Honorable R. F. McWilliams. The principal is to be retained as capital and interest earned is to be used for the presentation of awards for the best historical essay, best collection of historical material or best collection of recorded interviews.

The Centennial Memorial Fund was established in Manitoba's centennial year to receive memorial gifts to the Society which are to be retained as capital. Interest income earned is reported as revenue of the operating fund.

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3. Significant accounting policies (continued):

The Dalnavert Visitor's Centre Fund reports restricted donations received for the purposes of constructing a Visitor's Centre at Dalnavert Museum.

(b) Inventory-

The inventory of publications and merchandise for resale is recorded at the lower of cost and net realizable value or replacement value. Sales are recorded at the point of sale.

(c) Property, plant and equipment-

Property, plant and equipment, capital improvements and artifacts, except the amounts in the Dalnavert Historic Site Fund are expensed in the year acquired. Capital improvements in the amount of \$29,311 (2013 – \$23,512), have been expensed in the current year.

(d) Revenue recognition-

Restricted contributions related to general operations are recognized as revenue of the operating fund in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. All other restricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the appropriate restricted fund.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue of the operating fund in the year received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Investment income earned on restricted funds is recognized as revenue of the appropriate fund. Other investment income is recognized as revenue of the operating fund when earned.

(e) Financial statements-

A statement of cash flows has not been prepared as it would not provide additional useful information.

4. Financial instruments:

The Society has designated all of its investments as held-for-trading, adjusting to fair value at the end of each period, and recognizing the difference in the statement of operations.

The Society's investments are recorded at fair market value as follows:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>March 31</u>	<u>2013</u>
Winnipeg Foundation Consolidation Trust Fund	\$ 937,827		\$ 873,315
Guaranteed Investment Certificates	<u>120,164</u>		<u>125,413</u>
	<u>\$ 1,057,991</u>		<u>\$ 998,728</u>

4. **Financial instruments** (continued):

Credit Risk

Credit risk arises from the potential that a counter party will fail to perform its obligations. The Society is exposed to credit risk from customers. In order to reduce its credit risk, the Society reviews a new customer's credit history before extending credit and conducts regular reviews of its existing customers' credit performance. An allowance for doubtful accounts is established based upon factors surrounding the credit risk of specific accounts, historical trends and other information. The Society has a significant number of customers which minimizes concentration of credit risk.

Fair Value

The Society's carrying value of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, and accounts payable approximates its fair value due to the immediate or short term maturity of these instruments.

Currency Risk

Currency risk is the risk to the Society's revenues and expenses that arise from fluctuations of foreign exchange rates and the degree of volatility of these rates. The Society's is not significantly exposed to foreign currency exchange risk on cash, accounts receivable, and accounts payable. The Society does not use derivative instruments to reduce its exposure to foreign currency risk.

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5. Grants:

The Society has received grants during the year as follows:

	March 31	
	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Operations-		
Province of Manitoba	\$ 26,400	\$ 30,500
Winnipeg Foundation	<u> -</u>	<u>7,662</u>
	<u>26,400</u>	<u>38,162</u>
 Dalnavert-		
Province of Manitoba	3,150	4,430
City of Winnipeg	19,950	24,350
Canadian Museums Association	3,450	3,958
Winnipeg Foundation	270	20,472
Government of Canada-		
HRDC	4,755	-
Canada Day	<u> -</u>	<u>500</u>
	<u>31,575</u>	<u>53,710</u>
	\$ <u>57,975</u>	\$ <u>91,872</u>
 Ross House-		
City of Winnipeg	\$ 24,178	\$ 25,096
 Canadian Museum Association	3,450	3,958
 Government of Canada-		
HRDC	4,822	3,918
Canada Day	1,000	500
 Province of Manitoba-		
Operating	3,150	3,150
Community places program	<u> -</u>	<u>2,135</u>
	\$ <u>36,600</u>	\$ <u>38,757</u>
 Web site project-		
Province of Manitoba	\$ 6,123	\$ 3,375
Manitoba Lotteries	1,800	-
Thomas Sill Foundation	<u>2,000</u>	<u> -</u>
	\$ <u>9,923</u>	\$ <u>3,375</u>

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6. Programs:

The Society has programs for which the net revenue (expense) is comprised as follows:

		Year ended March 31			
		2014		2013	
		Revenues	Expenses	Net	Net
Ross House (Schedule 2)	\$	36,931	34,880	\$ 2,051	\$ 3,350
Manitoba History (Schedule 2)		8,284	10,784	(2,500)	(1,968)
Annual Meeting and Dinner		-	-	-	446
Multicultural Dinner		2,092	1,386	706	169
Sir John A. Macdonald Dinner		7,870	6,047	1,823	2,490
Field Trip		4,645	4,760	(116)	-
Centennial Farms		2,079	2,079	-	-
Young Historians		-	550	(550)	(550)
Centennial Organization		-	-	-	(286)
Centennial Business Awards		-	-	-	(142)
Margaret McWilliams		175	17	158	(147)
Memorable Manitoba Homes		2,378	2,378	-	-
Web site project		<u>12,942</u>	<u>10,911</u>	<u>2,031</u>	<u>1,319</u>
	\$	<u>77,396</u>	\$ <u>73,792</u>	\$ <u>3,604</u>	\$ <u>4,681</u>

7. Telephone/Utilities:

The Society's telephone and utility costs are broken down as follows:

		Year ended March 31			
		2014		2013	
		MHS	Dalnavert	Total	Total
Telephone and internet	\$	2,138	2,653	\$ 4,791	\$ 4,563
Water		-	4,184	4,184	740
Hydro and gas		-	<u>18,260</u>	<u>18,260</u>	<u>18,793</u>
	\$	<u>2,138</u>	\$ <u>25,097</u>	\$ <u>27,235</u>	\$ <u>24,096</u>

8. Comparative figures

Comparative figures have been reclassified to conform to current year presentation.