

Colchester Historical Society

Annual Report 2012–13

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2012–2013

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Presented to the membership on
April 25 2013

President's Year in Review

If I could reflect on a few “high spots” from this past year, those in the know may groan at my sly reference to a proud moment when we received our first copies of that manuscript turned book, *High Spots*. That book launch was simply one more publication in a seemingly endless list of books that our Society has either produced or facilitated the printing of.

Heritage Night was extra meaningful this year as it marked the unveiling of the Marjorie Hine Heritage Costume Collection. It is wonderful to have had an opportunity to honour this past president in such a fitting way.

Our busy organization is highly visible in newspaper announcements and articles. That exposure was recently increased still further with our launch of the monthly *Truro Daily News* column called, *At the Historeum*.

Work on the core exhibit titled, *Life in the Heart of Colchester* has passed another important hurdle. We now have exhibit plans and specifications that are tender-ready. Creation of this new Colchester exhibit is part of a broader redevelopment plan for the Historeum. That plan also saw new landscaping completed for the north end of the building.

A new initiative featuring an old

craft was begun at the Historeum. Monthly Knit-Ins have drawn many new visitors—young and old—to share their love of knitting.

In September, a distinguished guest, Lieutenant Governor J.J. Grant, attended a special volunteer appreciation event which also celebrated the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth.

I have refrained from touching on the excellent routine and ongoing work of the Society in favour of highlighting what was new this past year. Space is limited and it would be impossible to note every endeavour on this page.

In April 2013, volunteers shed involuntary tears as they bid farewell to Aidan Norton, who had served as Curator since 2009. Fortunately, we were able to welcome an interim Curator-Administrator, Jordan LeBlanc. “Jordan from Joggins” began working with the Society in early April, and has experience in the tourism and museum industry.

That is the year in review. Thanks to every employee, volunteer and member who have contributed to making this organization so vibrant and relevant to the communities of Truro and Colchester.



Joe Ballard, President

Collecting, preserving and exhibiting, for the education and enjoyment of present and future generations, artifacts and documents relating to the social, cultural and natural history of Colchester County, Nova Scotia

Financial Report

This being my first year with the Society, I have found it to be both enjoyable and interesting. The people I interacted with have been professional and courteous, all the while being mindful that they had their specific tasks to do. And speaking of tasks, I need to speak to the financial results of this year.

Compared to last year, they are not so good. At the end of 2012 we had a profit of \$9,751. At the end of this year, the pre-audit loss is \$5,881. At the time of writing this the accounting books are with the external auditors for review. I thought I would do a work up of the numbers for this year, last year and the "Operating Budget" numbers put together 4 years ago for the 2013 year. The results are in the chart on the next page.

While the total revenues are right on the mark with the budget numbers, the 2013 revenues are just under \$12K less than last year. Looking at my chart the "Fundraising" category appears to have fallen off from the previous year. But on further investigation I found that in the previous year we had 3 "onetime" items that accounted for \$10,800 of the \$22,470. Taking this into consideration, it would appear that the "Fundraising" efforts are inline with both last year and the budget figure.

This coming year shows a lot of promise, with the Board looking into planning for the 60th Anniversary of the Society and the fundraising that will result from this celebration. As well there appears to be a conscientious effort by the Board members to generate a renewed interest in the Historeum and what it means to the Truro and surrounding area.

The two major expenses that stand out as a significant increase this fiscal year over last year as well as the Operating budget numbers, are the Professional fees paid and our share (50%) of HST paid out over the year. The lion's share of both of these expenses relate to the \$47,998 dollars paid to Camus Production for the work that they carried out on our behalf for the Core Exhibit project. In the coming months we are hoping to hear just how much the local governments will back us financially to enable our vision of change possible for the Historeum.

We need to remain vigilant in looking at our general operating costs. This means being open to new ideas in both obtaining funds and reducing expenses that relate to the day to day operation of the Historeum. With that in mind I welcome any and all suggestions that you might have that will allow us to do just that.

Respectfully submitter,

Doug Bolton, Treasurer

Need a filler.....

"... the Board looking into planning for the 60th Anniversary of the Society ..."

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Financials

| Account | Description | 2013 Actual | | 2012 Actual | | 2013 Actual | | Change | % | Operating Budget For | Change Increase | % |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---|
| | | Mar.31, 2013 | Mar.31, 2013 | Mar.31, 2012 | Mar.31, 2012 | Mar 31, 2013 | (Decrease) | | | | | |
| REVENUE | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Admissions | 993.00 | 993.00 | 1,681.00 | -688.00 | 2,900.00 | -1,907.00 | -69.28% | 2,900.00 | -1,907.00 | -192.04% | |
| | Donations | 29,767.00 | 29,767.00 | 33,497.00 | -3,730.00 | 18,000.00 | 11,767.00 | -12.53% | 18,000.00 | 11,767.00 | 39.53% | |
| | Fundraising | 11,376.00 | 11,376.00 | 22,470.00 | -11,094.00 | 11,000.00 | 376.00 | -97.52% | 11,000.00 | 376.00 | 3.31% | |
| | Cmap funds | 46,667.00 | 46,667.00 | 46,667.00 | 0.00 | 46,667.00 | 0.00 | 0.00% | 46,667.00 | 0.00 | 0.00% | |
| | Federal funds | 4,262.00 | 4,262.00 | 8,037.00 | -3,775.00 | 8,200.00 | -3,938.00 | -88.57% | 8,200.00 | -3,938.00 | -92.40% | |
| | Provincial funds | 2,499.00 | 2,499.00 | 3,927.00 | -1,428.00 | 3,331.00 | -832.00 | -57.14% | 3,331.00 | -832.00 | -33.29% | |
| | Truro funds | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 0.00 | 12,000.00 | -2,000.00 | 0.00% | 12,000.00 | -2,000.00 | -20.00% | |
| | County funds | 10,750.00 | 10,750.00 | 10,000.00 | 750.00 | 12,000.00 | -1,250.00 | 6.98% | 12,000.00 | -1,250.00 | -11.63% | |
| | Int. from Trust funds | 3,062.00 | 3,062.00 | 4,314.00 | -1,252.00 | 3,742.00 | -680.00 | -40.89% | 3,742.00 | -680.00 | -22.21% | |
| | Annual Membership | 3,361.00 | 3,361.00 | 3,847.00 | -486.00 | 5,100.00 | -1,739.00 | -14.46% | 5,100.00 | -1,739.00 | -51.74% | |
| | Other Sales | 14,596.00 | 14,596.00 | 4,669.00 | 9,927.00 | 14,001.00 | 595.00 | 68.01% | 14,001.00 | 595.00 | 4.08% | |
| | TOTAL REVENUE | 137,333.00 | 137,333.00 | 149,109.00 | -11,776.00 | 136,941.00 | 392.00 | | 136,941.00 | 392.00 | | |
| EXPENDITURES | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Depreciation | 2,900.00 | 2,900.00 | 2,963.00 | -63.00 | | 2,900.00 | -2.17% | | 2,900.00 | 100.00% | |
| | HST expense | 6,733.00 | 6,733.00 | 3,434.00 | 3,299.00 | | 6,733.00 | 49.00% | | 6,733.00 | 100.00% | |
| | Insurance | 2,395.00 | 2,395.00 | 2,772.00 | -377.00 | 3,516.00 | -1,121.00 | -15.74% | 3,516.00 | -1,121.00 | -46.81% | |
| | Newsletter, net | 481.00 | 481.00 | 954.00 | -473.00 | 1,585.00 | -1,104.00 | -98.34% | 1,585.00 | -1,104.00 | -229.52% | |
| | Office | 8,006.00 | 8,006.00 | 5,800.00 | 2,206.00 | 17,245.00 | -9,239.00 | 27.55% | 17,245.00 | -9,239.00 | -115.40% | |
| | Programs | 1,146.00 | 1,146.00 | 5,368.00 | -4,222.00 | | 1,146.00 | -368.41% | | 1,146.00 | 100.00% | |
| | Professional fees | 17,805.00 | 17,805.00 | 2,647.00 | 15,158.00 | 736.00 | 17,069.00 | 85.13% | 736.00 | 17,069.00 | 95.87% | |
| | Repair & Maint. | 11,153.00 | 11,153.00 | 9,724.00 | 1,429.00 | 6,735.00 | 4,418.00 | 12.81% | 6,735.00 | 4,418.00 | 39.61% | |
| | Supplies | 4,057.00 | 4,057.00 | 2,946.00 | 1,111.00 | 2,814.00 | 1,243.00 | 27.38% | 2,814.00 | 1,243.00 | 30.64% | |
| | Utilities | 16,028.00 | 16,028.00 | 23,171.00 | -7,143.00 | 20,000.00 | -3,972.00 | -44.57% | 20,000.00 | -3,972.00 | -24.78% | |
| | Salaries & Benefits | 72,510.00 | 72,510.00 | 79,579.00 | -7,069.00 | 82,650.00 | -10,140.00 | -9.75% | 82,650.00 | -10,140.00 | -13.98% | |
| | Other expenses | 0.00 | 0.00 | | | 1,500.00 | -1,500.00 | | 1,500.00 | -1,500.00 | -100.00% | |
| | TOTAL EXPENSES | 143,214.00 | 143,214.00 | 139,358.00 | 3,856.00 | 136,781.00 | 6,433.00 | | 136,781.00 | 6,433.00 | | |
| | PROFIT (LOSS) | -5,881.00 | -5,881.00 | 9,751.00 | | 160.00 | | | 160.00 | | | |

Fund Raising

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| Appeal | \$22,992.00 |
| Auction | 2,186.50 |
| Lotto | 452.00 |
| Luncheons | 4,626.00 |
| Memorial Trust Fund | 1,738.47 |
| Other | 2,166.00 |
| Plant Sale | 1,415.00 |
| Used Book Sale | 1,226.61 |
| Yard & Bake Sale | 919.55 |
| Total | \$37,831.39 |



Caption describing picture or graphic.

Gladys Otterson,
Fundraising Chair

Book Nook

The sharp decrease in sales at our book nook this year can be attributed to three main reasons. First, a general down turn in the economy, and a general decrease in visitors at most museum sites. Secondly, the huge interest last year in the publication and subsequent purchase of the Campbell/Smith books, which last year sold in excess of 250, and this year only 34. This was augmented somewhat by the publication of "High Spots," but our margin on this book is much lower than the "Planters and Granters" which we publish "in house." Thirdly, the cost of shipping by Canada Post has risen to the point where the shipping can add 50% or more to the purchase price of a book.

We have negotiated a new method of purchasing the Jane While books of Family Genealogies, of which we stock, more than fifty. We now pay Jane a flat \$20.00 per book, when it is sold. To the \$20 we add our cost of printing, by the page and an allowance for the labour involved in the production of the book. Therefore, our true inventory costs have gone down, and our margins on Jane's books have gone up.

Dick Akerman
Book Nook

Members
names

| | Sales | Our Cost | Profit | % | Ship Rev | Ship Cost | Profit | % |
|-------|-------------|----------|---------|----|----------|-----------|--------|----|
| 09/10 | \$ 6,283.45 | 3081.03 | 2402.42 | 38 | 270.00 | 191.71 | 78.89 | 29 |
| 10/11 | \$ 8,849.20 | 5560.19 | 3289.01 | 37 | 390.68 | 328.00 | 162.67 | 16 |
| 11/12 | \$13,275.05 | 5739.05 | 7531.51 | 56 | 626.00 | 540.12 | 86.88 | 13 |
| 12/13 | \$ 7,856.58 | 4532.10 | 3324.48 | 42 | 572.31 | 511.68 | 60.10 | 10 |

Program Committee

Chairperson, Elinor Mehar and her committee of Stacey Culgin, presented a fine slate of speakers for the education and entertainment of the members and public at the monthly meetings. In September, Sara Beanlands topic was ***the Rev. Dr. Andrew Brown: Nova Scotia's Elusive Historian.*** October's program with Darryll Walsh, was ***A Night of Mystery and Legend,***

Joan Dawson's topic in November was ***Nova Scotia's Historic Rivers, Why We Live Where We Do*** and Jonathan Fowler spoke in January of ***The Battle of Grand-***

Pre Reconsidered: the Historiography, History, and Archaeological Potential. March's program headlined Dr. Paul Bennett who's topic was ***Endangered Schoolhouses: The "Palace Schools" of Nova Scotia 1879-1930 emphasis on the Provincial Normal School.*** Bob Latimer's topic at the April meeting is ***Pioneer King of the Road: The H.H. Latimer Story.*** And the final public meeting in May will feature Bruce MacNab who will speak on ***Harry Houdini in Truro.***

Elinor Mehar,
Program Committee Chair

Members
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Core Exhibit Project

The Core Exhibit Committee, tasked with development and implementation of a new semi-permanent exhibit on life in Colchester County, is making measured progress toward its goal. During the past fiscal year, we have completed Phase 2 of our project. This finally puts us in a "tender-ready" position with respect to exhibit fixtures, lighting, flooring, content, and interpretation - essentially the total Government grant with a lesser component funded by a portion of proceeds from the Society's annual appeal.

Appeals for funding the construction and implementation of the exhibit, "Life in the Heart of

Colchester," were made to Colchester County Council in late 2012 and Truro Town Council in early 2013. As of April 2013, both parties are finalizing their respective budgets for the coming year and the Core Exhibit Committee is still awaiting word on funding approval.

Respectfully submitted,



Joe Ballard
Chair, Core Exhibit

Museum Committee

This has been an interesting year, as usual; we even had a canoe built in our exhibit space on the first floor.

Our building has weathered another year but not without "insults." Copper thieves have stolen two more sections of our downspouts. This loss has left us several months at the mercy of water being directed at our stone foundation.

Over the winter a conscious effort has been made to "clean out" and "straighten up" the basement, much had been done there but more remains to be done.

The Museum Committee is, in reality, a committee of one but a committee that expands to fill the job at hand. Garbage collection doesn't need ten people but running a yard sale does.

The building continues to serve the Society, museum and archives and must do so until such time as we are able to act on our plans for a Core Exhibit.

This year a grant from the town of Truro enabled us to have landscape and garden improvements made at the north end of the building. A committee of two enthusiastic gardeners now maintains the new garden as well as the gardens at our entrance.

Thanks to our paid staff archivist Nan, past curator Aidan, interim curator, Jordon and cleaner Sandra. Thanks also to our loyal volunteers whose time so generously given is so important for our operations. We look forward to another interesting year.

Respectively submitted,
Terry White, Museum Committee

Archives Committee

The Archives experienced another busy, productive and successful year. Statistics on the number of visitors, volunteers, accessions, etc., are contained in the annual report prepared by Archivist Nan Harvey, which is appended. Some features of operations at the Archives are:

- the nature of our clientele, Whereas visitors to the Museum are often quite passive, seeking to be instructed or entertained, patrons of the Archives are usually very purposive and directed. They seek access to our records and expertise in order to make progress in projects of genealogical or other historical research they have underway.

- the amazing volume of work performed by nearly two dozen volunteers. Their service this year amounted on average to over 40 days

each, altogether totaling the equivalent of 4 additional full-time employees.

- the careful and effective direction given to the Archives by our highly competent and dedicated Archivist, now in her 26th year of service: Nan Harvey. In 2012 the Archives Committee regretted having to accept the resignation of long-time member Art Macumber. We also experienced an accession of strength when Sharron Brown - former President of the Society and already a volunteer at the Archives - joined the committee.

Respectfully submitted. Malcolm MacLeod Chair, Archives Committee

Members names (continued)

Archives Committee Members

*Malcolm MacLeod,
Chair
Nan Harvey,
Archivist
Dick Akerman
Jacqueline Archibald
Sharron Brown
Enid Cooper
Stacey Culgin
Pauline McManus
Donna Meese*

Archives Year End Report

Archives Statistics

Visitors – 800
Volunteers – 22
Volunteer Hours 6325

Donations of documents & books – 104 donations of 285 items

E-mails Rec'd – 2100
E-mails Sent -1522
Letters and e-mails answered after large amounts of research done – approx. 500

Daily Assistants to the Archivist: Carol Campbell and Jim Smith

Duty Archivist – Saturdays:

Jacqueline Archibald
Laurie Creelman
Enid Cooper
Lisa Davies
Bob Dunphy
David Yuill
Sharron Brown
Pauline McManus

Editing Databases:

Judi Graham
Amanda Hatfield
Pauline Thomson

Indexing Newspapers:

Michael Bolton
Ann MacNeil
Donna Meese

Typing Vital Records at Archives:

Debbie Everitt

The following are some of the activities undertaken in the Archives through the fiscal year of 2012-2013.

Carol Campbell and James Smith's book *Necessaries and Sufficiencies Planter Society in Londonderry, Onslow and Truro Townships 1761-1780* won the Democracy 250 Award for historical writing at the Atlantic Book Awards in St. John's Newfoundland in May 2012. From the proceeds of the two volume book *Planters and Grantees of Cobequid Nova Scotia 1761-1780* also written by Carol and Jim along with a grant of \$5000 from the Wilson-Merriam Foundation we were able to purchase a digital microfilm reader along with a computer and monitor to run it.

I attended the Spring Conference of the Council of Nova Scotia Archives in May. We received a grant from the Nova Scotia Economic and Rural Development and Tourism to hire a student – Regan Zscheile for 14 weeks during the summer. I took three weeks vacation during the summer while Regan kept the Archives going. In October I took a refresher course in First Aid.

In the fall we published "*High Spots*" by Captain James Wilbur Johnson and we had a successful Book Launch on November 17. Bruce Graham, Malcolm MacLeod did some readings from the book and Dick Akerman gave a short history on how we came to have the manuscript.

In January of 2013 we were interviewed by Dan MacIntosh of CTV regarding the Nova Scotia Archives launch of their virtual exhibit of aerial photos which were

taken in the 1930's. There were a number of photos of Colchester County and CTV wanted to interview an Archivist that was not closely associated with the NSA.

Dick Akerman, Book Nook Coordinator continued doing a monthly article for the "Shoreline Journal" which includes an article, photo and map from our Archives featuring places, industries, etc. of earlier times along the shore between Debert and Economy.

We have 21 volunteers doing "their thing" in the Archives – photocopying vital stats and current events from the Truro Daily News, some volunteer on Saturday afternoons so the Archives can be open. A couple are editing the vital statistic databases before they go back on line. Hopefully the marriage database will be finished this year and put on our webpage. Another volunteer is accessioning and cataloguing new material donated to the Archives.

The Archives Committee had five meetings during 2012-13; April, June, September, November and February.

I would like to thank very much all the volunteers we have working in the Archives.

Nan Harvey,
Archivist/Librarian

Cemetery Project : Jacqueline Archibald, Debbie Everitt

Cataloguing new Acquisitions: Sharron Brown

Clipping current Newspapers for vital stats and events: Pauline McManus
Kate Ferns

Newsletter Report

During the year, four issues of the Member Newsletter were published to coincide with the quarters beginning, the first of July, October, January and April. 350 copies, each comprised of twelve pages, were printed with about 300 mailed to members, advertisers, civic leaders with the remainder held for distribution to new members and for Public Relations activities. As editor I thank all who contributed stories, pictures and news, especially staff and officers who supply a report for each issue. I also thank the Curator/Administrator and volunteer desk staff for preparing the labels and envelopes for use in the mailings. A special thank-you is also extended to Bill Hine for his proof reading, and his group of friends for the mail-out assistance.

During the year, as an experimental practice, an electronic version with colored pictures, was produced and supplied to Board members and staff. I wish to have the role of the electronic version discussed with the Board, preferably before the October 1st, 2013 issue.

Thanks are offered to the eleven to fourteen sponsors who have supported us with advertising. Their support has more than paid for the printing costs. The new schedule of advertising rates has been implemented as renewals of advertising were arranged. These new rates resulted in about \$350 of additional revenue during the year.

Included with this report is my estimate of expenses and revenue for the 2013-14 year.

Dale Ells, Editor for 2012-13

Expenditures & Revenue

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| Printing costs – 4 issues @ \$166.75 | \$ 667. |
| Postage – 4 issues @ \$501.06 | 2,004. |
| Envelopes for Mailing - 4 issues @ \$35 | 140. |
| Total Expenses | \$ 2,811. |
| Planned Revenue | |
| Advertising – equivalent of 12 @ \$ 120. | \$ 1,440. |
| Total Revenue | \$ 1,440. |
| | |
| Net Cost to CHS Operations | \$ 1,371. |

**Members
names
(continued)**

Human Resources

During the year ended March 31, 2013 there wasn't a lot of matters for the committee to deal with. Both permanent employees, Nan Harvey and Aidan Norton carried out their duties in an outstanding manner. Reviews were completed for both employees in May of 2012.

Regan Zscheile and Sarah Sanford were hired as student-assistants with financial help from both the Federal and Provincial Governments for the summer months. Both employees did excellent work for the Historeum. Aidan Norton and Nan Harvey took vacation time during this period. Vacation dates for Nan have been chosen again this year utilizing summer staff.

Since March 31 the HR Committee has been very busy with Aidan Norton's sudden resignation. Another area of involvement for the Committee has been working with the Board on the 2013-14 Board of Directors nominations. This report will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

This year's Committee Members are: Joe Ballard, Dale Ells and Dave Arnfast.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Arnfast, Chair

*Members
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Meet the new interim Curator

Spring is the time for change, and things have certainly changed here at the Colchester Historeum. Aidan Norton, the Curator Administrator for the past four years has stepped down following the completion of the 2012/13 fiscal year. Aidan was dedicated to the Historeum's mission of preserving Colchester's past and present for future generations. Thank you Aidan for the legacy you have left behind.

In Aidan's place I have been appointed as the Interim Curator Administrator. What amazes me most is the support and social capital that the Historical Society receives from the community. To see so many people donate their time and effort for a cause they love is absolutely inspiring. It is an honor to be a part of such an established organization, coming up on its 60th anniversary. I cannot say enough regarding the high esteem I have for the men and women that work so hard to make this place what it is.

Over the upcoming year I hope to bring a fresh outlook to the Colchester Historeum. While I have no intentions of reinventing the wheel, I do hope to take some of my tourism and museum experience and apply it here. The organization has done a great job of reaching out to the community and it is my hope to continue upon that success. I feel there is such a sense of community in Colchester that I would not be doing this position justice if I did not continue and expand the community's involvement with the Colchester Historeum. Stay tuned for what is going to happen next.

Jordon LeBlanc, Interim Curator

Membership

**Member names
(continued)**

Manning the front desk

Wyn Harvey, Phyllis Smith, Amanda Hatfield, Jameson Wong and Hanorah Sheppard

Volunteers in other places: Jackie Archibald and Wayne Foster

Member names
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Heritage Committee

The responsibilities of the Heritage Committee include planning the annual Heritage Night, having a presence at the Heritage Fair, having a representative on the Town of Truro Heritage Advisory Committee, and recognizing historic sites in Colchester County. In 2012-13, the committee of Wayne Foster, Bill Canning, Joe Ballard, and Melanie Ballard worked to fulfill those responsibilities.

Our first task each year is to select a worthy recipient for an award at the Chignecto Central School Board Regional Heritage Fair in May. In 2012, the winner was Taylor Stewart for his project "The Tatamagouche Creamery."

Also in May 2012, we hosted the second annual Heritage Home Tour in Truro. Tour goers bought 'passports' that enabled them to visit three historic homes on Queen Street. A Jubilee Tea was held at the Historeum as well. The money raised from the home tour, including the advertising in the passports, supports the Build Heritage Grant.

The Built Heritage Grant Program assists owners of older properties to maintain or restore the heritage features of their building. The grant is for exterior work done on buildings within the municipality of Truro built before 1930. The buildings may be private homes, income properties, businesses or churches. Grants are made in individual amounts from

\$300 to \$2000, not to exceed fifty percent of the total project cost. For the calendar year 2012, one grant was awarded.

Heritage Night

The Annual Heritage Night celebration in February involves planning a celebration of local history and presenting the Heritage Awards and the Built Heritage Grants. The award recipients were:

1. Captain James Wilbur Johnston (deceased) for the book *High Spots: The Seagoing Memoirs of Captain James Wilbur Johnston*, accepted on behalf of the family by Mary Osborne.
2. Sandra Barry for the book *Elizabeth Bishop: Nova Scotia's Homemade Poet*.

A Built Heritage Grant was presented to Barbara Reynolds for painting of 63 Queen Street.

Joe Ballard was our representative on the Heritage Advisory Committee for the town of Truro.

I would like to thank the members of the committee for their dedication to celebrating our heritage.

Respectfully submitted by
Melanie Ballard
Chair, Heritage Committee

Accessions Committee

Sheila Stewart, Helen Nicols, Lee Higgins, Carl Jordan and Honorah Sheppard ...
More to come

the last word belongs to...

The last word indeed belongs to four 10 year veterans of the Colchester Historical Society board. They are Enid Cooper, Elinor Maher, Terry White and Dale Ells.

We are not saying good bye to these individuals but we are saying a heart-felt Thank You. Their volunteer work did not just start 10 years ago, rather it was long before that.

Need more info.....

**Member names
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