

August 15, 2013

Greetings,

Please find attached various documents in advance of the Canadian Friends Historical Association Annual General Meeting & Conference on **Saturday September 21, 2013** at John McKenzie House, the home of the Ontario Historical Society. Specifically, this pre-AGM package includes both the full-day and business session agendas, minutes from the 2012 AGM, Nominating Committee report, along with driving instructions to McKenzie House. For updates, please visit the Association website at <u>www.cfha.info</u>.

"The contest to be waged in this province is between Monarchy and Republic. There are of course men professing all shades of opinion, but the time draws nearer each day, when they must either declare their attachment to the British Constitution, or venture on the bold and dangerous step of signing a Declaration of Independence." (The Royal Standard 9 November 1836)

The theme of this fall's gathering, **Loyalties in Conflict in Upper Canada** explores the tenuous position Friends found themselves in as forces "beyond the hedge" of the Society faced each other in open conflict. We are privileged to have noted historians Bruce Bell and Chris Raible to guide us through **Loyalties in Conflict** in "Muddy York" of the late 1830s (please see the biographies of both historians included in this package).

I hope that you will join us in Toronto this fall as we continue to bring Canadian Quaker history and heritage to light!

Blessings,

Andrew

Andrew Cresswell - Chairman



2013 Annual General Meeting & Conference Agenda

Time	Action
9:00am	Registration & Light breakfast
9:30am	Welcome to John McKenzie House/Ontario Historical Society
9:40am	Annual General Meeting
1:00pm	Departure & Lunch
2:00pm	Bus Tour (Bruce Bell)
5:00pm	Free Time
5:30pm	Dinner
7:00pm	Keynote Address (Chris Raible)
8:00pm	Dessert & Thank You
8:30pm	Departure



2013 Annual General Meeting Agenda

- 1. Welcome, Roll Call and Silent Worship
- 2. Review of Agenda
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting
- 4. Officers' Reports
 - a) Chairman's Report (A. Cresswell)
 - b) Secretary's Report (G. Castonguay)
 - c) Treasurer's Report (R. Jeffery-MacLean)
- 5. Director's Reports
 - a) Vice-Chair Publications (R. Rogers-Healey)
 - b) Vice-Chair Built Heritage (I. Woods)
- 6. Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) The Meetinghouse (A. Cresswell)
 - b) Website (R. Saylor)
 - c) CYM Records Committee (J. Zavitz-Bond)
- 7. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - a) Canada Helps (A. Cresswell)
 - b) Founders & Builders (A. Cresswell)
- 8. New Business
- 9. 2013-2014 Operating Budget (R. Jeffery-MacLean)
- 10. Other Reports
- a) Founders' Fund (A. Cresswell)
- b) 40th Anniversary Projects (A. Cresswell)
- c) Canadian Quaker family History Project (G. Thompson)
- d) Nominating Committee (G. Thompson)

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Canadian Friends Historical Association Annual General Meeting Isaiah Tubbs Resort, Picton, Ontario 29th ninth, 2012

Present: Andrew Cresswell (Chair), Donna Moore (Recording Clerk), Gordon Thompson (Past Chair), Gladys Castonguay (Secretary), Ian Woods (Vice Chair, Built Heritage), Rick Rolston, Elizabeth Rolston, Eve Schmitz –Hertzberg, George Ivanoff, Kathleen Schmitz-Hertzberg, David Saunders, Virginia Dawson, Geoff Dawson, Barbara Horvath, Avery Dorland, Sheila Havard, Carol Williams, Jean Claridge, Carol Corsetti, Richard Edwards, Edith Edwards, Ruth Seepaul, Dick Preston, Betty Preston, Betty Preston, Rosemarie McMechan, Anne Coleman, David Rolston, Helen Williams, Ruth Kuchinaud, David Holden, Joyce Holden

Regrets: Ruth Jeffery-MacLean (Treasurer), Rob Laverty (Ontario Historical Society), Randy Saylor, Doug Smith, Jane Zavitz-Bond (CYM Archivist), Sandra Fuller, Marie Doan, Arnold Ranneris, Bob Moore, Bev Jackson, Barb Smith

The meeting was opened the meeting with a period of silent worship.

Gordon Thompson welcomed the membership and invited a representative from the Isaiah Tubbs Resort to bring greetings to the participants.

Andrew Cresswell also extended his welcome and read greetings from those who could not attend. He witnessed the passing of a former Chair of the Association, Andrew Brink and a former Treasurer, Norman Jolly. He set the tone for the day by sharing George Fox's Epistle 8, #LXXXIII

Dear friends in the eternal truth of God whose minds by the light of Jesus Christ are turned towards God, meet often together in the fear of the Lord, and to the light take heed, that with it all your minds may be kept up to God, from whence it comes. And in all your meetings wait low in his fear that ye may come to know the life and power of truth one in another. And all ye whom the Lord hath made overseers over his church in your several places, be faithful to the Lord, and watch over the flock of Christ with all diligence; ye which are strong watch over the weak, and stir up that which is pure one in another; see that all your meetings be kept in order. Be faithful unto the Lord where he hath set you, and ye shall not lose your reward. Servants be faithful unto your masters, not with eye service, serving them as men pleasers, but in singleness of heart, as unto the Lord; that ye may come to undo the heavy burdens; being faithful in your places, where the Lord hath set you, there is your right service. And take heed of forward minds and of running out before your guide, for that leads out into looseness; and such plead for liberty, and run out in their wills, and bring dishonour to the Lord; and the unbridled will gets at liberty, and an exalted spirit gets up, and pride, and haughtiness, and high words. And such are they who add to the burden, and do not take it off. Therefore all wait low in the fear of the Lord and be not hasty nor rash, but see the way be clear; as the Lord doth move you, so do, and

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return with speed, (when ye have done,) to the place ye were abiding, and be faithful there; that the truth of God be not evil spoken of through you, as they speak of vagabonds and wanderers, that it may be so among you. For such are vagabonds and wanderers, who run before their guide. And master rule over your servants in love, with all diligence and meekness, knowing that ye have one master in heaven. And friends, in all places, where any go abroad, as they pass by examine then whither they are going and what about? And if they cannot give a good account, exhort them to return back, and abide faithful in their places until they see their way made clear. So farewell in the Lord. The eternal God of power and wisdom direct and guide you to his eternal praise, that his name may be honoured and glorified in you and through you all! Be diligent every one in your places, where the Lord hath set you, for the work of the Lord is great; God Almighty keep you to be faithful labourers in his work.

From one who is a lover of your souls and whose care is over the church of God, that it may be kept in order, and that all, that are guided by his spirit, may be led into good order. G.F. London the 15th of the 3d month 1655

Agenda Review:

The agenda was reviewed and two items were added: recognition of the Founders and Builders and a Memorandum of Understanding.

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were sent out in the Documents in Advance. Andrew Cresswell reviewed the process of decision making in the way of Quaker Business. The minutes were approved as written.

Officers' Reports:

Chairman's Report: Andrew Cresswell spoke to his distributed report and used the time to accent a few trends and to issue a challenge to the membership. He indicated that over 2000 unique IP addresses have visited the website. There has been help with transcriptions. He encourages folks to get involved with a project.

Secretary's Report: Gladys Castonguay's report was read and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ruth Jeffery-MacLean's report was referenced. The membership year cannot be changed due to the stipulations of the by-laws.

It was questioned whether the Founders Fund should be maintained separately? Andrew Cresswell explained that we cannot create a separate trust under the rules of our charity. All donations go into that line item if specifically designated. The acceptance of the report was approved.

Directors' Reports:

Vice Chair – Publications: Robynne Rogers-Healey's report was read.



Vice Chair - Built Heritage: Ian Woods report was read.

Business Arising

Barbara Horvath has laid down responsibility for editing of the Newsletter. The Association is looking for another volunteer to publish The Meetinghouse which is issued three times a year.

Randy Saylor regrets not being present today. Our website continues to provide additional information which is helpful. Please check the website and note the valuable history contained therein.

Andrew Cresswell read the Records Committee report from Jane Zavitz-Bond who regretted not being with us today.

Andrew Cresswell asked Kathleen Schmitz-Hertzberg, founder of the Association to read a history of the Association.

Barbara Horvath was presented with a certificate of appreciation for her service in publishing The Meetinghouse for us. Thank you Barbara.

Canada Helps collects 3.9% on the donation funds and carries no cost to join. The membership approves that the Canadian Friends Historical Association adopt Canada Helps as an additional method of collecting donations.

In 2011 the Association established a Founders Fund. Individuals could apply for project funding. Two donations totalling \$300 were made. There are projects waiting for that funding and we will accept applications soon.

Gordon presented updates on the Quaker Family History Project. The membership approved the introduction of this project based on amendments made by the committee over the past year.

New Business:

Founders and Builders: Andrew Cresswell presented the proposal of marking the 40th Anniversary of the Canadian Friends Historical Association by recognizing by recognizing Founders and Builders; individuals who have made significant contributions to the founding of the association and/or sustained contribution to achieving its mission. Recommendation to the list of Founders and Builders will lie with the Executive Committee based on recognition made by the membership. There will be no outward sign of identifying status other than a recorded minute and recognition and appreciation of the association. A copy of the minute will be provided to the recipients and their names will join the list maintained by the Executive and posted on the website.

Founders: Kathleen Schmitz-Hertzberg, Andrew Brink (posthumous)



Builders: Jane Zavitz-Bond, Norman Jolly (posthumous)

Operating Budget: We have seen a marked decline in American membership and in product sales. We are hoping to reverse this by making a connection with the Bicentennial Building Presentation and the Clerk of Ohio Yearly Meeting. This Annual General Meeting is running at a deficit but we felt it was warranted due to the importance of the 40th anniversary. We have been building relationships with other archives. There are a wealth of documents which don't reside at Pickering College and we would like to earmark funds to get copies of those documents, transcribe and post them on our website. We continue to work with Records Committee where possible. We will be about \$1200 over income. The operating budget is approved as presented.

Other Reports:

40th Anniversary Projects: Andrew Cresswell reported on the various projects that were created to mark the 40th year of the association.

i)The Founders Fund was approved at the Annual General Meeting in 2011 to support individuals or groups in achieving the mission of the association. A committee was recruited and implementation was delayed until this fall to coincide with the 40th Anniversary.

ii) We proposed to gather and archive material relating to the history of the association. Kathleen Schmitz-Hertzberg generously gave permission for the digitization/copying and/or archiving of her extensive Canadian Friends Historical Association fonds. A small number of select documents have been digitized and posted to the website. The Executive is in discussion with an external organization regarding archival storage for the association documents.

iii) It was proposed that we would publish a special anniversary journal. The Executive is inviting past and present members to contribute to this edition. We have been in discussion with the Dorland family to acquire limited copyright permission to digitize and post to our website Arthur Dorland's, Former Days and Quaker Ways.

iv) We have expanded the usefulness of the website in several ways including use of a broadcast page; completing the posting of newsletters; initiating a projects page and we are beginning to record and post audio recordings. We have also created a presence on both Facebook and Twitter. Website: www.cfha.info Facebook: facebook.com/groups/cfhainfo Twitter: @cfhainfo

Nominating Committee Report: Gordon Thompson reported that all members of the executive would return to the positions. The membership approves this report with thanks to the people who are willing to serve.

The meeting closed with silent worship.

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Nominating Committee Report (G. Thompson)

The following is the proposed slate of CFHA Officers and Directors for the 2013/2014 year.

The individuals listed have confirmed that they are willing and able to serve in the coming year as indicated below, subject to the confirmation of the members present at the 2013 Annual General Meeting.

Officers and Directors	Regular Term	Currently Held By	Started Term	Complete Term
Chair	3 Years	Andrew Cresswell	September 2011	September 2014
Member/ Recording Secretary	3 Years	Gladys Castonguay	September 2011	September 2014
Treasurer	3 Years	Ruth Jeffery- MacLean	September 2011	September 2014
Vice-Chair Built Heritage	3 Years	lan Woods	September 2011	September 2014
Vice-Chair Communications	3 Years	Robynne Rogers Healey	September 2011	September 2014
Past Chair	3 Years	Gord Thompson	September 2011	September 2014

Executive Committee

The following are appointed positions based on the recommendation of the Executive Committee.

Advisory Committee

Appointed Positions	Regular Term	Currently Held By	Start Term	Complete Term
Webmaster	Indefinite	Randy Saylor		
Publications – Journal	Indefinite	Albert Schrawers		
Publications – Meetinghouse	Indefinite	Pat Moauro	2013	
CYM Records Committee Liaison	Indefinite	Jane Zavitz-Bond		

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Bus Tour Guide - Bruce Bell



Although born and raised in Sudbury Ontario, Bruce Bell has carved out quite a niche for himself in Toronto, historically speaking. Bruce has been writing a popular monthly column on the history of Toronto for the *Bulletin*, Canada's largest community newspaper since 1999.

In 2002 he was named by the city of Toronto the Official Historian of St. Lawrence Hall and St. Lawrence Market. In November of 2003 Bruce was asked by the Ontario Heritage Foundation to host the 200 anniversary celebrations of St.

Lawrence Market. In May 2004 Bruce was appointed official historian of Toronto's King Edward Hotel as part of the famed hotel's centennial celebrations. In October 2004 Bruce was appointed Honourary Historian of the Hockey Hall of Fame Heritage Building. In June 2006 Bruce was appointed Curator in Residence for the spectacular Dominion Bank Building (built in 1914). In October 2006 Bruce was bestowed the title 'Honourary Historian of the 51 Division Heritage Building' by Toronto Police Services for his work as a historian in 51 Division. In April 2007 as part of the Fairmont Hotel & Resorts 100 year birthday celebrations, Bruce was named Honourary Historian of the famed Fairmont Royal York Hotel.

Bruce is the author of two books Amazing Tales of St. Lawrence Neighbourhood and the just published *TORONTO: A Pictorial Celebration*.

Bruce is also the official tour guide of Toronto's famed St Lawrence Market where visitors from around the globe are constantly being impressed with his expert knowledge. In addition to his tours at St. Lawrence Market, Bruce conducts tours through Old Town Toronto, University of Toronto, Kensington Market, Yorkville and the Historic Distillery District as well as walking tour weekends in New York City.

In 2003 Bruce began his History Project, a historical plaque program which to date includes marking the site with large bronze markers of Toronto's First Jail, The Great Fire of 1849, the hanging of the Rebellion of 1837 leaders Lount and Matthews and the birthplace of Canadian Statesman Robert Baldwin. Bruce's mission is to tell Toronto's history through his tours, writings and lectures including his sold out shows at Toronto's famed Winter Garden Theatre, in an informative and entertaining way.

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Rebellion Walking Tour Itinerary

Join Toronto historian Bruce Bell on a fantastic walking tour of Rebellion of 1837 in the downtown core, where it all happened! Come with Bruce as he shows us the site of the infamous Bond Head Inn where Government troops were billeted the night before the rebellion began. Visit the site of William Lyon Mackenzie newspaper The Colonial Advocate, where on June 8, 1826 the Types Riot broke out, one of the instigating moments that would lead to the rebellion years later. Also, we'll visit the site of the notorious jail where leaders Lount and Matthews were held then see the commemorative plaque marking the spot where they were both hanged on April 12, 1837. Also, a visit to the commemorative plaque marking the birthplace of Robert Baldwin the father of responsible government in Canada who granted, in 1849, a general amnesty for participants in the Rebellion of 1837.



Keynote Speaker - Chris Raible



Chris Raible served churches in the United States and in Toronto. As a minister he published many articles, book chapters and reviews.

His career as a historian began as a member of the staff of Toronto's Mackenzie House museum. Since then his writing and research has focused on Upper Canada (Ontario), especially the career of Scottish-Canadian William Lyon Mackenzie. He has authored four books and numerous articles and reviews for Canada's History (formerly The Beaver), the Globe and Mail, The Toronto Star, Ontario History, The York

Pioneer and various other periodicals. He also serves as historical consultant to the Mackenzie Printery and Newspaper Museum in Queenston.

In 1994 he and his wife, Pat, launched Curiosity House, an independent bookstore in Creemore, Ontario, Since fully retiring, they continue as active community volunteers for 19 years they edited the Ontario Historical Society *Bulletin*'s book pages, reviewing many hundreds of works relating this province's history. In 2010 they were honoured by the Ontario Historical Society with its prestigious Cruikshank Medal.

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Driving & Parking Instructions

John McKenzie House is located at 34 Parkview Avenue, Willowdale, (North York) Toronto.

Parkview Avenue is on the East side of Yonge Street, and CANNOT be accessed from Yonge.

Access East from Yonge NORTHBOUND at Empress Avenue, turn left (north) on Kenneth then turn left at Parkview.

Access East from Yonge SOUTHBOUND at McKee Avenue, turn right (south) on Kenneth then right on Parkview.

Access Parkview westbound from Bayview Avenue, North and South.

It is easy to drop someone off in front of the McKenzie House, but there is NO PARKING there.

The handicapped access to the house is around the back of the house via a handicapped ramp. You can drive into the tiny driveway for the handicapped access route.

Parking for the AGM: Possible in places on the surrounding streets, but you MUST read the signs carefully. Saturday parking is restricted in places.

There are a number of paid parking lots nearby, which are two time zone 'Pay and Display' systems namely a day time rate of about \$13, which runs from 0700 to 1900, then another night time rate of around \$6. The AGM goes through two time zones, so watch the times!

The TTC subway runs to Sheppard and Finch Stations, with a connecting Yonge Street bus north and South. Visit <u>www.ttc.com</u> for details.

The GO buses go to the Finch station from the North. See <u>www.gotransit.com</u> for details.

The parking is free at the GO lots at Finch, but still a distance from the AGM.

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