

GATINEAU VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

August ~ September Newsletter

46th
ANNUAL AUCTION
Flea Market

Saturday, August 22, 2009 at 9:00 am

Rain or Shine

**St. Stephens Church Grounds
Old Chelsea, QC**

Auctioneer *Revel Stewart* will once again lead the bidding on our usual selection of antiques, collectibles, and curiosities.

Other events include the flea market, bake sale, a silent auction, and the sale of GVHS publications.

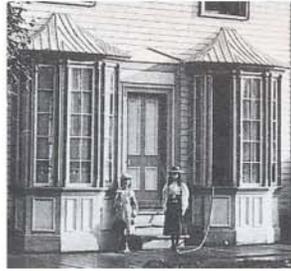
We need your quality antiques and collectibles for the auction, and gently used items for the flea-market.

Bring your items* to St. Stephen's Church Grounds on Friday, August 21 between 2:00 pm & 8:00 pm, so they may be registered.

Viewing: Friday, August 21 - 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm
Saturday, August 22 - 8:00 am to 9:00 am

*Donors of auction items may retain 50% of the final sale price or receive a tax receipt for the full selling price.

For further information or to arrange a pick-up contact:
Richard Adams — 819-827-0589 or Marc Cockburn — 819-459-2004

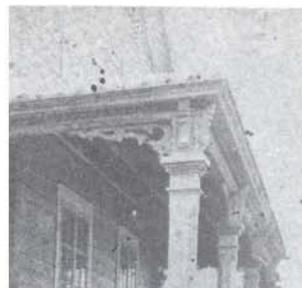


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An Illustrated Presentation by
Louise McGugan, Restoration Architect

Focusing on Aylmer's Heritage Wood Frame Buildings
including historical information,
and present day streetscapes/case studies

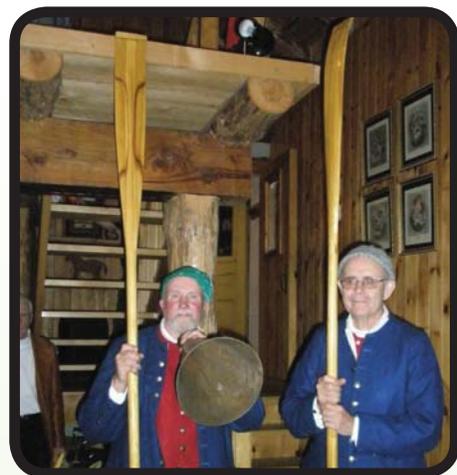
Gatineau Valley Historical Society
Chelsea Community Centre, Old Chelsea, QC
Monday September 21, 2009, 7:30 pm



Annual Dinner & Awards Night

June 1, 2009

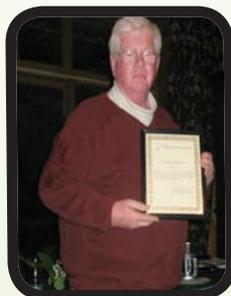
Undaunted by drenching rain, 80 GVHS members enjoyed the annual dinner and awards night with a BBQ feast supplied by Chef Miguel, The Grateful Griller, at The Grange in Cantley, which generously donated its premises for the event. There was plenty of laughter due in part to the antics of MC, Able Seaman Michael Cooper (left) & his cohort, Captain Ken Bouchard, before the presentation of the awards.



Certificate of Commendation

Don Kenny

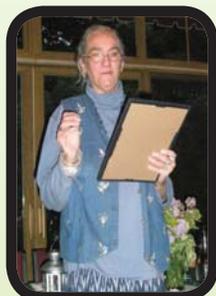
In appreciation for hosting Society members on a revealing tour of Stormont County in July 2008. The GVHS is grateful for the opportunity to have experienced the efforts of the wider heritage community beyond the Gatineau Valley.



Honours Award

Peggy Atherton

In appreciation of her efforts and assistance as GVHS Librarian and for her long time commitment and support for the Gatineau Valley Historical Society.



Honourary Life Membership

Theresa Winfield

In appreciation for her many years of tireless effort in making the GVHS Auction a success and for her dedication to the Society's efforts.

Honours Award

Phil Cohen

In appreciation of his dedicated support of GVHS activities, for attending all our meetings, and for his passion for making known the history and heritage of the Gatineau Valley.

David Lee's article "Logging and Lumbering on the Gatineau River" received the Arthur Davison prize this year. David graciously donated the \$100 prize money back to the Society.

GVHS Archivist Emeritus - Jay Atherton

In recognition of his leadership in establishing the professional reputation of the GVHS, for his expertise in managing Society volunteers, and for instituting archival practices and secure accommodations to enable the Society to acquire and preserve the documentary heritage of the Gatineau Valley.

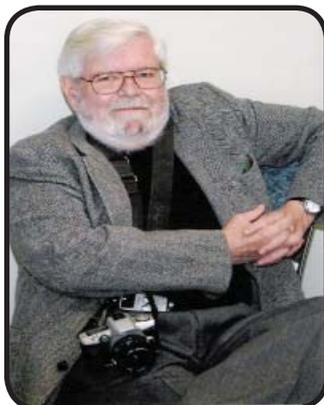
He was presented with a key to the GVHS Archives by R.J. Hughes and shall be accorded the following privileges:



- He will be listed with the designation of Archivist Emeritus, where applicable.
- The Society Archives will be open to him on the same basis as that of all Society archive volunteers, and he will receive free services and products.

In Memoriam – Ernest Lorne Mahoney

March 29, 1931 – April 28, 2009



Born in Ottawa, Ernie attended Broadview Public School and Nepean High School and later graduated from the University of London School of Economics. Ernie was a member of the Senior Staff for the Canadian Construction Association from the mid 50s until 1976 where he was responsible for joint committees with the architectural, engineering professions and manufacturing sectors.

Leaving his Ottawa working life behind him, Ernie kept busy “up the Gatineau” as a project officer for Canada Works (Operation Clean Bottom for the Gatineau River). Later in life he found and followed his true career path as a reporter and feature writer at the *Low Down To Hull and Back News*, where he honed his skills in the 1980s. He moved to the *West Quebec Post* in 1987 as the Wakefield editor, where he worked from his cherished office overlooking the Gatineau River in Wakefield’s Place 1870 until the day he went into hospital.

He shared the love of nature with his best friend and companion Deborah. He assisted the Wakefield Music Society and hosted the occasional event for the Wakefield Meditation Society. He loved CBC radio. He cared deeply about Canada and its future and worked tirelessly at the community level.

Ernie’s passions included community activism in heritage and the Gatineau Valley Historical Society, sailing, canoeing, and simple country life, observing birds and surrounding nature. He had an amazing love of animals and human life, something he captured and shared through his photography. His political views and love of life was shared during each and every discussion with his family and friends.

His honours and accomplishments include:

- *Queen’s Golden Jubilee Medal*, 2002, presented by the Canadian Governors General 1952-2002, for distinguished community service.
- Past-President, Gatineau Valley Historical Society
- President of the Gatineau Valley Historical Society 1998 - 2003
- Contributor of twelve articles to “*Up the Gatineau!*” the annual journal of GVHS Award of Honour, Gatineau Valley Historical Society, 1992, for a leading role in the preservation of history of the Gatineau Valley
- Recipient of an Honorary Life Membership, Gatineau Valley Historical Society, 2004

- Member of QAHN (Quebec Anglophone Heritage network)
- Founding and continuing member of the Heritage Committee of the Municipality of La Pêche, QC
- *The Bronze Quill*, an award in recognition of distinguished service to Wakefield (QC) West Quebec Post from the Canadian Community Newspapers Association, 2006

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