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Jim Molnar received an "Ontario Parks – Bonnechere, Excellence in Partnerships Recognition" Plaque on behalf of the Ottawa Chapter at the Park's Public Archaeology Day event, August 12, 2006.

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Submissions are always welcome and very much appreciated. Please do not hesitate to send your ideas to the editor or to anyone on the Executive.

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PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Heather Stronach



It's time once again to reflect on what we have accomplished in 2006 and to make plans for the coming year. In the following pages you will find outlines and descriptions of Chapter activities in 2006. It was a good year!!

Chapter finances are in fine order thanks to Bill, our Treasurer. Glenna, our Secretary, has done a noble job helping 'to keep all the balls in the air'. Brenda has been immensely busy pulling all the public archaeology activities and protocols together. Carmen gathered necessary information and initiated the redesign of the Chapter display board. Jim Molnar has been working on the Symposium Proceedings and championing the PAPA award. Irene-Ann has been well organized, and patient, in putting out FOUR editions of the *Ottawa Archaeologist* and many flyers. Yvon, our webmaster, has edited the website and created an 'easy-to-remember' link - www.ottawaoas.ca .

I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to three members of the Chapter Executive who are stepping down this year due to their heavily committed schedules: Jim Molnar, Brenda Kennett, and Carmen Bauer. They have made a valuable contribution to the Executive and to the Ottawa Chapter as a whole over the years. It has been a pleasure to work with them. It's now their time to enjoy the sun!

At the same time, I would like to extend a warm welcome to both André Miller who will step into the position of Director – Public Archaeology and Cara Pelletier who is joining the Executive as Director-at-Large. I look forward to working with them in what appears to be an exciting and busy year coming up!

In 2007, we plan to expand our public archaeology program; for example, we will participate in 'Riverfest' at Pinhey's Point Provincial Park in August. In addition, we will review the Chapter's Constitution—after all, it was written in 1971! We will celebrate, the Chapter's 'thirty-fifth plus one' anniversary at our May Social. Our monthly speaker series will continue on the second Thursday of each month (except summer months). You will find the topics posted on the Chapter website.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the Chapter's monthly public meetings; it is a fun way for you to meet other members.

A great piece of news to pass on is that OAS, Inc. in Toronto has a new President. It is our very own Jean-Luc Pilon. Congratulations, Jean-Luc!

Wishing all of you a very Happy New Year and the best of health and happiness,

Regards,
Heather Stronach

OTTAWA CHAPTER, OAS SPRING PROGRAM 2007

Regular meetings of the **Ottawa Chapter** are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Routhier Community Centre, at the corner of Guigues and Cumberland in Lower Town Ottawa. Parking entrance is off Cumberland Street. Meetings begin at 7:30 pm (unless otherwise stated) and are open to the public.

Thursday, February 8 at 7:00pm, Canadian Museum of Civilization – Ian Dyck

Master of the Plains: Ancient Nomads of Russia and Canada

Join us for a tour of this recently opened exhibit at the Canadian Museum of Civilization. Our 'Tour Guide' will be the exhibit's Curator and OAS member, Ian Dyck. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the museum entrance (inside), 100 rue Laurier, Gatineau.

Thursday, March 8 – Jeff Earl and Hugh Daechsel

Lebreton Flats Redevelopment Project

Thursday, April 12 – Virginia Sheehan

Archaeology at the National War Memorial

Thursday, May 10 –

End of season festivities (location to be announced)

For further details and other Chapter information please visit our website at:
www.ottawaoas.ca

2006 PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE OTTAWA CHAPTER, OAS Heather Stronach

The year 2006 has been another successful year for the Ottawa Chapter! This would not have been possible without the volunteer support of the membership-at-large, stimulating monthly speakers, people and organizations we partner with, and the dedicated Chapter Executive. Our membership reached 56 and this translated into more than 1300 volunteer hours. I applaud and greatly appreciate your support of the Chapter and your efforts.

At our monthly public meetings, we had a full complement of speakers on a variety of topics, which for the most part, focused on the archaeology of Canada.

Our Public Archaeology Programme continued to remain strong. We celebrated the 10th anniversary of the Chapter's partnership with Bonnechere Parks by getting together with the partners to review the past and to project into the future. We supported the Friends of Bonnechere Parks by reviewing their Virtual Museum launched last year. In spite of inclement weather, we had volunteers come to Public Archaeology Day at the Higginson Tower in Vankleek Hill prior to its restoration. We continued with the Hogg's Bay programme for the third year. Recently, we have formed a liaison with Pinhey's Point Provincial Park and will participate in their 'Riverfest' in August. We continued to talk to students in the classroom and to senior citizens. We 'manned' an OAS, Ottawa Chapter booth at Heritage Day in February. Brenda Kennett's Public Archaeology Report elaborates on all of these activities.

The PAPA award, administered by the Chapter in the person of Peggy Smyth, continues to be active. In 2006, our Vice-President, Jim Molnar presented this award to the Boyd Archaeology Field School.

Marian Clark, member and a past president, was the recipient of the Bonnechere Parks Board of Directors' Award for the tremendous contribution to archaeology and to the programme we have come to call 'The Dig, Pig and Jig'. Congratulations, Marion! The Ottawa Chapter, as a whole, received an award from the Bonnechere Parks for recognition in "Excellence in Partnership".

We agreed in principle to an MOU with OAS that serves as a guideline with respect to the link between the Chapters and OAS, Inc. All Chapters will sign this MOU early in 2007.

By no means the least, this year we have managed to bring Chapter documents, display boards, information, and belongings, all together UNDER ONE ROOF! at the Diefenbunker, where we rent storage space. We have done a general inventory of what is there.

We recognize the importance of partnerships to provide opportunities for joint ventures and to increase our exposure. We have an informal relationship with the Archaeological Institute of America (AIA) where we give notice of each other's meetings. We do the same with the Canadian Institute in Greece (CIG) and I was invited to thank their recent speaker as a gesture of that relationship. We are a member of CHOO/COPO and receive notices of events of all their

member organizations. Our challenge is how to get the relevant information to you in a timely fashion.

Please feel free to contact any one of the Executive members if you wish to become involved in the organization, planning or participation of any of these activities.

Report of the 2006 Annual General Meeting

The Ottawa Chapter's Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday, December 14, 2006. The Executive presented their activity reports, which you will find printed in this Newsletter.

Marian Clark presented the Nominations Committee's slate of candidates. The Nomination Committee consisted of Marian Clark, Jim Montgomery, and Jeff Earl. After the required calls for nominations from the floor, all positions were acclaimed.

Those elected were:

President	Heather Stronach
Vice-President	Vacant
Treasurer	Bill MacLennan
Secretary	Glenna Roberts
Director-Public Archaeology	André Miller
Director-at-Large	Cara Pelletier
Director – Newsletter	Irene-Ann LaCroix

Yvon Riendeau continues as our most able webmaster!

The meeting concluded with door prizes and a party.



Summary of 2006 Activities

- January 12 *Ottawa Valley Burial Patterns*
Dr. Jean-Luc Pilon, Archaeologist, Canadian Museum of Civilization
- February 9 *The Elite Houses of Pompeii*
Andrew Douglas, BA Anthropology, Carleton University
- February 20 Participation in *Heritage Day*, City of Ottawa
Glenna Roberts, Cara Pelletier, Heather Stronach
- March 9 *National Historic Sites and Archaeology 101*
Michel Audy, Historic Sites & Monuments Board, Parks Canada
- April 13 *Canada's First Civilization: Hurons, other Nadoweks and Algonquins*
Dr. Georges Sioui, Head of Aboriginal Studies, University of Ottawa
- May 11 Spring Social
- May 20 *Public Archaeology Day* – Higginson Tower, Vankleek Hill
- June 16 *Public Archaeology Activity* – Cancer Relay for Life
- August 12 *Public Archaeology Day* – Bonnechere Parks
- Sept 14 *The Road Beyond Red Bay: The Archaeology of the Unknown Labrador*
Dr. Marianne Stopp, graduate of the University of Cambridge
- Sept 16-17 “Dig, Pig and Jig” weekend (with a twist) – Ten Year Retrospective
- October 2-6 *Hogg's Bay Project* - Murphy's Point Provincial Park
Brenda Kennett and Jeff Earl
- October 12 *Petra: Lost City of Stone* – Guided Tour
Dr. Robert McGee, Canadian Museum of Civilization
- October 27 Presentation of the PAPA award to the Boyd Archaeological Field School
Dr. Jim Molnar, Ottawa Chapter OAS
- November 9 *Very Small Needles in a Very Large Underwater Haystack: The Search for Submerged Prehistoric Sites in Gwaaï Haanas, Queen Charlotte Islands, British Columbia*
Jonathan Moore, Parks Canada Underwater Archaeology Service
- December 14 Annual General Meeting and Member Social

FINANCIAL REPORT 2006, OTTAWA CHAPTER, OAS

Bill MacLennan

Opening Balance			\$5527.30
	Credits		
		Memberships	\$896.00
		Donations(Chapter)	\$74.00
		Book Sales	\$115.00
		Donation (PAPAA)	\$31.00
		Virtual Museum Critique	\$1000.00
		Symposium Profit (partial)	\$75.00
		Interest	\$0.84
		Total Credits 2006	\$2191.84
		Total Assets	\$7719.14
	Debits		
		Newsletter	\$200.56
		CHOO Membership	\$50.00
		Routhier Centre Rental	\$50.88
		P.O. Box Rental	\$159.00
		Public Arch. (Moving Dolly)	\$51.29
		PAPAA donation transfer	\$31.00
		Virtual Museum Critique (shared with London Chapter	\$250.00
		Bank charges	\$6.25
		Total Debits 2006	\$798.98
			-\$798.98
Grand Total carried forward to 2007			\$6920.16

Assets include \$1500.00 which is the remainder of a City of Ottawa Grant which will be dispersed. Additional revenues from the 2005 OAS symposium will be reported in 2007 when final figures are known.

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2006

Glenna Roberts

In 2006, the secretary continued supporting the chapter's activities by:

- writing minutes of executive meetings – (seven)
- writing minutes of general meetings – (eight)
- mailing notices of chapter meetings to members who prefer written notices to e-mails - (seven)
- mailing newsletters to members, other chapters and libraries on our list -- (seven)
- picking up mail from the chapter post office box and distributing it as appropriate to the president, treasurer or newsletter editor
- maintaining mail and e-mail address lists of current members
- sending reminders to members who have let their memberships slip
- counting volunteer hours for executive and membership – (executive – 860, members – 450, estimated total – over 1300)

A few details were completed from the Symposium in Petawawa, November 2005. These included helping the Treasurer resolve the final financial report with the OAS in Toronto and with Friends of Bonnechere Parks, who handled the grant from the Ministry of Culture, and helping to proof-read text for the publication of the proceedings.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2006

Jim Molnar

Following 2005's successful OAS symposium in Petawawa, I spent the past year gathering manuscripts and editing them for the proceedings. The whole thing will be finished soon and will be available as a series of .pdf files on our Chapter web site. My other activities included helping organize our stuff at the Diefenbunker (we have an amazing collection of photos from Chapter digs--someone should put some of them on our web site), taking part in the Archaeology Day at Bonnechere park, and helping to find speakers for our monthly meetings. After a few years of serving on the Chapter executive, I am taking a break and stepping down. Thanks to everyone for their help over the years!

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY REPORT 2006

Brenda Kennett

Once again, the Ottawa Chapter participated in a number of events in 2007 that brought archaeology to the wider public.

To start the year, Chapter members Heather Stronach, Glenna Roberts and Cara Pelletier set up our display at Ottawa City Hall for Heritage Day on February 20th. In April, Cara Pelletier spoke to students at the l'Ecole secondaire Béatrice-Desloges in Orleans and Glenna Roberts spoke to 'Food for Thought,' an Ottawa luncheon club for seniors. Thanks to the intervention of Jean-Luc Pilon some archaeology was done at Higginson Tower in Vankleek Hill in association with a project to restore this observation tower, originally built as a wind-powered grist mill in the 1830s. As part of this project, a public archaeology day was held on May 20th under the direction of Jeff Earl with local residents and several members of the Ottawa Chapter participating in the excavation. On the evening of June 16th, Lois King, Bill MacLennan and Bill's daughter, Elise, set up several archaeological activities for family and friends supporting participants in the Orleans Relay for Life.

Chapter members returned to Bonnechere Provincial Park on August 12th for our annual Archaeology Day. The event was very successful with many members of the public, both young and old, spending lots of time at the various activities and displays. The day also saw the Friends of Bonnechere Parks launch their Virtual Museum Project entitled "Land of the Spirits." This interactive website showcases the natural and human heritage of the surrounding Bonnechere River area and features many of the artifacts and stories uncovered during the past ten years of excavations involving the Ottawa Chapter. In recognition of the tenth anniversary of the association between the Ottawa Chapter and the Park, the Friends of Bonnechere Parks presented the Ottawa Chapter with a special plaque during the celebrations. On Saturday evening, Joanne Lea, an educator and archaeologist, gave an informative overview of public archaeology projects across Canada. As always, this was a great weekend for Chapter members to get together in a beautiful park and share their archaeological knowledge with the public. Thanks to park staff for their assistance with the event and their great hospitality.

The annual "Dig, Pig and Jig" weekend was held at Bonnechere Provincial Park on September 16th and 17th. The 'Walk Back in Time' on Saturday involved a full day of exploration along the Little Bonnechere River with stops at numerous archaeological sites. The outing was led by Park Superintendent Jim Fraser with lots of input from others who have directed or participated in the various archaeological excavations over the years, most notably Tom Ballantine and Rory MacKay. This proved to be an extremely valuable opportunity to review much of the work that has already been done and to gain new insights into the rich cultural heritage of the watershed. On Saturday evening we were all treated to the Friends' fabulous roast pork dinner. After the dinner, the Friends presented long time Ottawa Chapter member Marian Clark with their annual Directors' Award in recognition of her many years contributing to public archaeology activities at the Park. The evening wrapped up with the viewing of several early movies depicting life and logging in the region in the 1950s. On Sunday morning there was a roundtable discussion on the past, present and future of public archaeology at Bonnechere Parks. Although there are many challenges facing a successful public archaeology program, everyone agreed that there are great

benefits to be realized and lots of ideas for moving forward were presented.

Finally, Ottawa Chapter members returned to Murphys Point Provincial Park from October 2nd to 6th for the third edition of the park's archaeology program for school groups. Each day a different Grade 5 class from one of the Perth/Smiths Falls area schools came out to the park to experience hands-on archaeology including excavation, artifact analysis, and site mapping activities. Jeff Earl and I acted as the licensed archaeologists. Ottawa Chapter members including Ellen Blaubergs, Marian Clark and Heather Stronach along with other archaeologists, park staff and volunteers from the Friends of Murphys Point Park provided supervision.

Many thanks to all the Chapter members who participated in these events and contributed to their success! After three years, this is my 'good-bye' as Director of Public Archaeology. I have very much enjoyed getting to know many of you better and look forward to participating in future events. It is a pleasure to hand the reins over to André Miller who will bring new energy and fresh ideas to the Ottawa Chapter in general and to the Public Archaeology portfolio in particular. I know that he will do a great job and that you, the membership, will give him great support.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2006

Carmen Bauer

In 2006 main activities have been participating in the executive meetings, giving advice via email and working on re-designing of the Chapter display. I also helped moving the Chapter's belongings to the room we have rented in the Diefenbunker. I also helped putting together an inventory of the items.

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2006

Irene-Ann LaCroix

Despite being away in California for half of 2006, I was able to stay in touch with the executive via email. In this way, I was also able to produce the Chapter's newsletters and flyers. Upon my return to Canada in the summer, I attended the Bonnechere Archaeology Day in August and was able to take photos at that and a few other Chapter events. Although my family life keeps me quite busy and I am sometimes not able to attend Chapter meetings, I very much enjoy working on the newsletters and keeping in touch with Chapters members and activities.

I look forward to another year of working in this capacity – so please send me any news, photos or articles you may wish to share with the Chapter!

PEGGI ARMSTRONG PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY (PAPA) AWARD ANNUAL REPORT 2006 Peggy Smyth

In 2006, the PAPA was awarded to the Boyd Archaeological Field School, Toronto. Jim Molnar's article in the November Issue of the Ottawa Archaeologist highlights the contribution this field school makes in this local community in educating and informing the public of the importance of archaeology within and outside of their immediate community. One nomination was received in the fall 2006.

The PAPA is financially secure. In 2005/2006, nine copies of the presentation award were commissioned from three local artists who provided their expertise at a substantial cost saving to the Chapter. The Chapter thanks James Cameron, Doug Beaton and Louise Fox for their contributions.

WEBMASTER REPORT 2006 Yvon Riendeau

2006 was a year of tidying areas that had been put aside while the symposium took precedence.

- The News and Activities page was updated on a regular basis.
- The page on Who We Are was cleaned up.
- Thanks to the hard work of Jean François Beaulieu, the *Ottawa Archaeologist* Index pages were updated.
- The Peggy Armstrong Award pages were updated with information provided by Jim Molnar.
- The Newsletter is now an integral part of the website.
- A new domain name: www.ottawaoas.ca was acquired to facilitate access to the site.

I look forward to participating in the new projects of the coming year.

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Come join us for our next Ottawa Chapter meeting!

Thursday February 8th at 7:00pm at the Canadian Museum of Civilization

Visit *Master of the Plains: Ancient Nomads of Russia and Canada*

With a guided tour by Ian Dyck, Exhibit Curator

We will meet at the 7:00pm at the museum entrance (inside), 100 rue Laurier, Gatineau

Archaeological Institute of America, Ottawa Society Lectures

Auditorium, Library and Archives Canada, 395 Wellington St., Ottawa

Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 7:30 PM

Michel Amandry, Bibliotheque nationale de France

Pausanias' Visit to Corinth: Coins and Architecture

Tuesday, March 20, 2007 at 7:30 PM

Susan Pollock, Binghamton University

Consent and Coercion in the Royal Cemetery of Ur

Tuesday, April 17, 2007 at 7:30 PM

Jane Francis, Concordia University

Get the buzz on 'Bees and Beekeeping in Ancient Greece'

Canadian Archaeological Association annual conference

St. John's, Nfld, May 16th-20th, 2007

The 40th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Archaeological Association will be held at the Fairmont Hotel, St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador. Sessions, papers and posters on all areas of interest to the Canadian archaeological community may be submitted. Given that this conference will take place in Newfoundland and Labrador we would like to encourage participants to submit sessions, papers or posters that reflect the interplay between Native cultures, between First Nations and European newcomers and among European settlers. These topics are particularly appropriate for Newfoundland and Labrador, a province rich in First Nations history and the scene of some of the first European landfalls in the New World.

Call for papers at <http://www.mun.ca/caa2007/submissions.html>

EcoArchaeology: A Weekend Workshop for Adults

September 14 to 16, 2007

Join professional archaeologists in ongoing research at a historic site at Murphys Point Provincial Park. Features: hikes, canoeing, accommodations and more.

For fees, info or to register, check www.friendsofmurphyspoint.ca, e-mail friendsofmurphyspointpark@yahoo.ca or call Beth at 613-267-5340.

Space is limited - register by July 31, 2007.

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PEGGI ARMSTRONG PUBLIC ARCHAEOLOGY AWARD: _____

Please provide a separate cheque for any donation to the Peggi Armstrong Public Archaeology Award. These funds are administered by the Ottawa Chapter on behalf of the OAS and are kept separate from the Chapter's funds.

Please make all cheques payable to Ottawa Chapter, OAS.

NOTE: The Ottawa Chapter no longer collects dues for the OAS. The notification for renewal with the Society will be made directly from the Toronto Office. To be a member of the Ottawa Chapter, OAS it is necessary also to be a member of the Ontario Archaeological Society Inc.

All donations over \$10.00 will receive a charitable receipt through OAS, Inc.