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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Welcome to the 25th Annual Meeting of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation.

As we come to the end of our first 25 years, it is important for us to look backward to the past, where so much of what is important to us occurred, and at the same time to acknowledge the achievements of this Foundation over the past 25 years.

As we embark upon our second quarter century, and approach a new millennium, it is vital that we look forward to the future, where our efforts to preserve this heritage of history, architecture and landscape will take place.

Last November we revisited the achievements of those first 25 years in a most successful celebration at the Walper Hotel. Hundreds of heritage enthusiasts gathered to share reminiscences and to honour those who made significant contributions to heritage preservation in Waterloo Region. It is one of the great regrets of my term of office as Chair of the Foundation that absence from the country prevented my sharing that occasion with all of you.

Prior to that celebration, we had endorsed the findings of the Goldie Report. That report advised us that the time was not ripe for us to attempt a major fund raising effort, because the Foundation was not well enough known for public recognition to yield a strong groundswell of support for a heritage fund. It advised us, rather, to get our own house in order so that we might be positioned to extend our public recognition and support to the point where such a campaign had an excellent chance of success.

As a consequence we have re-organized the Foundation along the lines suggested in that report. The Foundation now functions with four standing committees, each of which has its own terms of reference, quite different from the organizational structure which existed when I joined the Foundation Board.

Establishment of a new committee structure may seem like a very tiny step, indeed, in the life of an organization, but I have high hopes that these committees will re-vitalize the Foundation, and that each will use its terms of reference to further the aims and the profile of heritage preservation in the Region, positioning us to make a successful appeal for major funding support in the not-too-distant future.

You see, I have a dream. I have a dream that one day we will be in a position to make grants to heritage organizations in the tens of thousands of dollars, instead of the few thousands we are

presently able to offer. I have a dream that these dollars will come from an endowment fund of such proportions that the interest alone will make possible such grants. I have a dream that this Foundation will one day have an office and a paid staff to administer these funds and provide heritage advice and counsel to any who seek such advice in preserving their own properties.

More immediately, I have a dream that the new committees will seize upon their terms of reference to raise the profile of the Foundation and of heritage preservation in the Region, to give us the platform from which to launch a successful campaign.

I see the Development Committee devising a membership program that will enable individuals, corporations and community heritage groups to become members of the Foundation and receive real services, values and benefits from such membership. I see it developing a long-range strategy for fund raising, including the establishment of a permanent heritage endowment fund.

I see the Communications Committee developing a strategy to raise the profile of the Foundation so that it becomes as well known as the Community Foundation. I see service organizations and clubs regularly inviting speakers from the Heritage Foundation because heritage is a popular cause. I see us developing a roster of eloquent speakers promoting the vision of heritage preservation throughout the Region.

I see the Heritage Advisory Committee responding to requests for heritage advice from groups and individuals from every city and township. I see the committee considering nominations for Awards of Excellence from all over the Region.

And I see the Allocations and Finance Committee dealing with numerous applications sponsored by a wide range of heritage organizations, and carrying on its excellent work of recommending grants from a steadily expanding pool of funds.

It is not enough for the Foundation to continue exactly as it has for the past twenty five years, administering a budget of modest proportions provided by the Region. The rate at which heritage is being lost and destroyed in our region is accelerating, and we who have a strong commitment to its preservation need not only to be vigilant but to be vigorously pro-active in promoting the cause.

This Foundation has the potential to be the focal point and the catalyst for heritage preservation all over the Region, a kind of umbrella organization that will advocate for such preservation, will support local heritage groups with their projects, both morally and financially, and will encourage the recognition of heritage preservation as a public policy and a popular cause. That is my dream, and I invite all who share my commitment to heritage preservation to join me in turning that dream into a reality. The opportunity is there. Let us seize it.

Stuart Summerhayes, Chair

MEMBERSHIP 1998-99

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Chair and Members
The Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation

Dear Friends,

Once again the Heritage Foundation is gathering for its annual meeting. This is a time to review all that the Foundation has done over the past year to encourage and promote heritage preservation and activities here in the Region. Each year, Regional Council sets aside money for the Foundation to distribute across the Region in support of these activities. It knows that the funds will be well spent and well used.

To the volunteers who give of their time to make the Foundation successful, I offer a sincere thank you. In a community which is growing and expanding, the preservation of our past is increasingly important. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

Ken Seiling Regional Chair

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NORTH WATERLOO REGION BRANCH ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVANCY OF ONTARIO

The Annual Meeting for 1998 was held at Bankside Terrace, a retirement home in Kitchener, built in the French Second Empire style, that was imported to Canada and was used from 1860 to 1900. The style was more popular in Quebec than in the rest of Canada and very little of it is present in our area. Bankside Terrace is owned by Hallman Eldercare and there are now three of these buildings, one in Waterloo and one in Cambridge. They are all similar in design. Robert Dyck, the architect for the buildings, was our speaker who described to us how modern materials can be adapted to recreate buildings that are from a much earlier period. For example, the heavy looking cornice moulding is very dense styrofoam covered with a stucco coating and painted. It resembles a stone cornice that would have been used in the original design. The members also had a tour of the building and enjoyed the refreshments that were prepared by the staff at Bankside.

In late April, we had a bus tour to Woodstock and Tillsonburg. We were at the Woodstock Museum to see the replica of the Bayeux Tapestry and the restoration of the walls and ceiling of the former opera house, which is on the second floor of the former Woodstock Town Hall. We took a short walking tour from the museum to the renovated and restored Carnegie Library and visited the art gallery next door, which is in a Colonial Revival house.

In Tillsonburg, we had a private tour of Annandale House, the home of the founder of Tillsonburg. This is a large two-storey, yellow brick house in the high Victorian Style. It is furnished with lovely period furnishings and is noted for its painted ceilings. Lunch was at the Elmhurst Inn in one of the smaller private dining rooms.

On a Sunday in late October, we held a walking tour of the area of Kitchener surrounding St. John the Evangelist Church. The tour started at the church with John Boulden describing the architecture of the church. We then used the walking tour booklets supplied by Heritage Kitchener to tour part of the Civic Centre Neighbourhood. We viewed older houses on Ahrens, Maynard, College and Young Streets.

The Annual Christmas Party was held at the Homer Watson House and Gallery. Gretchen McCulloch, the gallery director, spoke briefly about the home of Homer Watson and the exhibits. The main gallery room was decorated by some of our members with Christmas table decorations and Christmas baking was brought by the members attending the event.

Margaret Rowell, President North Waterloo Region Branch, ACO

HERITAGE CAMBRIDGE

Throughout 1998, the majority of efforts by Heritage Cambridge have centered on the selection of an architect for the restoration of Sheave Tower and the subsequent work to be under taken. In October 1998, renowned heritage architect Nick Hill, from Guelph, was selected as the project architect. Mr. Hill in his presentation to Heritage Cambridge, demonstrated excellent communication skills that we felt would achieve the goals we were looking for. Mr. Hills', additional degrees in Landscape architecture meant the entire project could be completed by one individual. We were fortunate that due to excellent weather conditions work began immediately by local Blair Contractor Gord Kinsey. Our Committee felt Mr. Hills' selection of Gord was an excellent way of keeping local interest in the project. To date, the project is near completion, and we hope to have the additional work finished by fall 1999.

Heritage Cambridge has held an annual house tour for the last 5 years. This year we reached a milestone, whereby, all the tickets were sold 2 weeks prior to the event. This has been a significant fundraiser for our group and the sell out demonstrates the level of quality and dedication to the event from all of our volunteers. In addition to the House Tour, Heritage Cambridge will also be hosting a "Spirit Walk'. This fund raising event will be held in October to coincide with Halloween. The walk will be held October 22nd and 23rd in the evening at Mount View/Trinity Anglican Cemeteries. "Local historical Ghosts" will tell their life stories and their contribution to local history. The potential attendance could be as many as 2200 people over the two day event. This will be our second fund raiser of the year which we hope will continue year after year. These funds will help replenish money we borrowed from the Community Heritage

Heritage Cambridge has continued to work with LACAC and Cambridge City Council to avoid demolitions of significant buildings in the area. Unfortunately, The Grandview School, after a tough fight, is one such building which will be demolished by the developer. The developer through the efforts of Heritage Cambridge Vice President Ray Martin made some concessions. Design elements from the old original Grandview building will be incorporated into the new project. Architectural drawings will also be given to the Cambridge City Archives.

The Blair Heritage Conservation District is almost completed and will go to the O.M.B. for approval and final adoption by the Cambridge Official Plan. The Dickson Hill Heritage District is now under way. Again Heritage Cambridge has participated as a member of the steering committee.

We are proud to announce all 5 walking and driving tour brochures of Cambridge are completed and are being sold in various Cambridge Outlets.

It is only through countless volunteer hours that our group has had a successful and productive year. We look forward to 1999.

Kathy McGarry, President

WATERLOO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Throughout 1998, the Society continued an 86 year tradition of diligently preserving the history of Waterloo Region. As a proud founding member of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation, the Society was pleased to be recognized for its ongoing contribution to local heritage at the 25th Anniversary celebration of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation in November.

Public outreach is important to the Society and in this vein it hosts meetings in various parts of the Region four times a year. The first of these general meetings was held in February with a speaker from the Ontario Heritage Foundation speaking about the work of that Foundation in the province. The May meeting featured Dr. Geoff Hayes speaking about "Writing Our History". In September, Geographer Warren Stauch presented a "Heritage River Update: Physical and Cultural Aspects of the Grand River Watershed". The November annual meeting featured Professor Terry Copp of Wilfrid Laurier University on the subject "What We Should Remember: The Canadians and the Liberation of Europe".

The 1998 bus tour featured the Credit Valley with commentary on the Grand and Speed Rivers.

In April 1999, the Ontario Historical Society informed us that once again the Waterloo Historical Society had won the "Fred Landon Award" for the best book on regional history in Ontario published in the last three years. Dr. Hayes' *Waterloo County: an Illustrated History* joins Dr. Elizabeth Bloomfield's *Waterloo Township Through Two Centuries* in this honoured accomplishment.

Bertha Thompson Waterloo Historical Society

WATERLOO-WELLINGTON BRANCH ONTARIO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

The year 1998 saw continued growth in the Waterloo-Wellington Branch, as demonstrated by an increase in membership and well attended public meetings at the Kitchener Public Library. Meetings are on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m., except for the October meeting, which is on the third Monday. There are no meetings in June, July, and August.

There is definitely increased interest, worldwide, in family history research. Our Branch offers service and assistance to family researchers from around the world who are looking for their roots in Waterloo County. A large number of enquiries are received via e-mail at 'watogs@home.com' as well as by regular post.

We participated in the Ontario Genealogical Society's annual gathering, Seminar'98 held at the University of Western Ontario in London, Ontario. All Branches in Ontario participate in workshops, seminars etc. over this 3-day event. The Waterloo-Wellington Branch will be hosting "Seminar 2001" in May 2001, at the University of Waterloo.

The Branch also participated in the Region 3 workshop and meeting in Stratford, on April 18, 1998. Region 3 includes Ontario Genealogical Society Branches: Bruce and Grey, Huron County, Perth County, and Waterloo-Wellington.

Our regular public meetings as mentioned, are well attended and interesting. These meetings are open to all, members and non-members. Some of the speakers in 1998, and their topics were: Frances Hoffman: "Oral Histories"; Frank Vigor: "Munificent Ancestors"; David McKnight: "Intestates- A major untapped Genealogy resource"; Linda Brown-Kubisch: "Black Experience in the Queen's Bush, Wellesley"; Fred Habermehl: "You've Done Your Research- Now What"; and Brian Gilchrist: "The Importance of Studying Your Family History or Stories That You Would Rather Your Future In-laws Didn't Know About Until After The Wedding".

Waterloo-Wellington Branch volunteers completed an inventory of "Land Registry Office Records" for Waterloo County, as the Ontario Government wishes to dispose of surplus Land Registry Office records. Branches worked on this inventory all across Ontario. The result in Waterloo County has been the survival of original Land Office Records for the period 1866-1955. These records have been accepted by the Region of Waterloo for safe-keeping The Region also has expressed an interest in their ownership of the records. David R. McKnight coordinated this major project under the auspices of APOLROD (Association for the Preservation of Ontario Land Record Office Documents).

Effective May 1, 1999, the new postal address and office for the Waterloo-Wellington Branch, Ontario Genealogical Society, will be c/o Kitchener Public Library, 85 Queen St. North, Kitchener ON N2H 2H1

Gordon V. Ambrose
Waterloo County Group Coordinator

Visit our web site http://www.dcs.uwaterloo.ca/~marj/genealogy/ww.html

ALLOCATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

The consultant's study, completed in June of last year, recommended the formulation of a new "Allocations Committee" to replace the former Grants Committee, which had been in effect for a number of years. The Grants Committee had previously reviewed all incoming Foundation grant requests and made recommendations to the entire Board on their suitability for approval and funding. In the fall of last year, Board members agreed to the establishment of a new Allocations and Finance Committee, which was designed to replace the old Grants Committee and have a considerably broader financial mandate.

In addition to reviewing and making recommendations on grant requests, this new Committee was made responsible for the entire budget of the Foundation. The Committee was also set up to ensure provision of monies from the annual budget to other Foundation Committees that were being established as a result of the Consultant's Study. The Committee was to be responsible for ensuring that the new Communications Committee, for example, had sufficient funds from the yearly budget to conduct necessary advertising of events and to improve overall communications within the Region about the Foundation and its programs. All Committees are eventually expected to establish yearly budgets that they will present to the Allocations & Finance Committee for review and final approval by the Board.

It was decided that one of the initial projects of this new Committee was to revise Foundation application forms for both the Project and Publication Grants. The Grant Application Guidelines have also been revised and improved, and explain in greater detail, eligibility and documentation requirements, etc. In addition, the Committee made a committed effort to deal with new applications for funding as immediately as possible and to pass on recommendations to the Board no later than the second meeting after an application is received. If necessary, delegations are requested to attend meetings or supply additional information as soon as possible, so as to assist in the decision-making process.

The Committee is still to establish a detailed policy framework for grant allocations to better guide Directors on what types of projects would best suit the mandate of the Foundation. This policy framework will establish the conditions by which funds should be allocated for some projects as opposed to others and in what amounts. This initiative will especially assist new Board Members in understanding more quickly, the rationale for decision-making associated with grant requests.

In recent years, and also for this fund year, January 1 to December 31, 1999, the Foundation has received a budget of \$44,004 to conduct the business of its mandate. The Foundation must apply to Regional Council on an annual basis for its funding, as other agencies of its kind.

Since the Foundation's Annual Meeting last year, a number of grant requests have been approved for projects throughout the Region. Grant monies were approved for the Homer Watson House and Gallery and Heritage Cambridge for an anniversary publication and historic tour guides, respectively. The City of Kitchener received funding for its Industrial Artifacts Project. Another grant was provided to the Regional Heritage Task Force for the inputting of data from municipal heritage registers and heritage properties onto a sophisticated computer program. Monies were also provided to Tony Szumigalski for a Regional Plant Species Study; to the Cambridge Sports Hall of Fame for a sports display case and associated costs; and to the Hespeler Historical Group "Company of Neighbours" project for the cataloguing and storage of historical documents from the former Town of Hespeler. Funding for the restoration of the Detweiler

Meeting House outside Roseville was also provided. The Woolwich Historical Foundation received a grant for the microfilming of 55 copies of the Elmira Advertizer for the years 1883 to 1894. A grant was provided to the Waterloo Historical Society for the publication of their annual volume.

The Allocations and Finance Committee is forecasting a busy year ahead as they continue to review funding requests and work closely with other Foundation Committees in making more residents aware of monies for heritage-related projects in the Region.

Joy Rayner, Chair Allocations & Finance Committee

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Our thoughts on heritage in the Region of Waterloo take on special significance as we come to the close of this century. So much has transpired over the past 100 years in our Region that it is overwhelming to consider just the advances in technology.

As we opened this century, the printed word in our local newspapers was our only source of communications on the local, national and international front. Today we are exposed to and have the resources of unprecedented communication vehicles. With that in mind, the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation recognizes the need to keep our stakeholders and our citizens in the region informed of our initiatives.

Our communication initiatives culminated with a major event at the historic Walper Hotel last November. The Foundation was overwhelmed at the response and about 240 attended this special awards celebration in hour of the Foundation's 25th anniversary. Local MPP Wayne Wettlaufer, Regional Chair Ken Seiling and a host of Foundation board members made the evening truly memorable with the honouring of long-time heritage supporters such as Ken McLaughlin, Elizabeth Bloomfield as well as Jack Young, our first Regional Chair.

To keep our heritage initiatives at the forefront as we head into a new century, the Communications Committee has examined our printer material, our graphic look and how we are perceived in our community. It is with great pride and fitting as we begin a new century, we unveil our new graphic look and logo at this annual meeting Over the next fiscal year, the Communications Committee for the Foundation will be attempting to capitalize on media opportunities for the promotion of our heritage to all our stakeholders.

It has been an exciting year for the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation and we will continue to pursue building partnerships in the promotion of our heritage for the forthcoming year.

Andy Reed, Chair Communications Committee

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

At the Annual General Meeting in June 1998, Chair Stuart Summerhayes remarked that the Foundation had contracted with the G. L. Goldie Company to study how the Foundation could act effectively as an umbrella organization to support and lobby on behalf of local heritage groups and at the same time seek funds from the public for establishing a permanent trust fund to support heritage in the Region (A Message from the Chair, Annual Report 1997). In the fall, the Development Committee discussed several recommendations of the Goldie Report, which address these concerns and provide terms of reference for the Development Committee. The recommendations are as follows:

The Development Committee will:

- coordinate the annual Heritage Showcase and develop such opportunities;
- consider establishing individual and corporate memberships;
- suggest recruitment strategy for new Board members and non-Board members to serve on committees;
- present to the Foundation both short-term projects and a long-range campaign for fundraising;
- develop a donor heritage recognition program; and
- prepare a preliminary budget to present to the Agenda Committee for the development activities of the Foundation.

Members of the Development Committee, individually or collectively, and in collaboration with other committees, endeavoured to heighten the profile of the Foundation among heritage groups and in the community. The celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Foundation at the Walper Terrace Hotel in November '98, and the outstanding participation of heritage groups at Heritage Showcase '99 at Fairview Park Mall affirm the strength of heritage ties in the Region. The Development Committee will now proceed to determine fundraising objectives that will provide a broad base of financial support for heritage groups, projects and events.

I thank the following members who have served on the Development Committee 1998 - 1999: Dr. Donald Baker, Ashok Goyal and Greg Spere.

With respect to Heritage Showcase '99, I extend appreciation on behalf of the Development Committee to Debbie Shantz for administrative liaison with heritage groups, and to Communications Committee members Hilary Geddy and Chair Andrew Reed, for publicity.

Joyce D. Arndt, Acting Chair Development Committee

HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The newly-constituted Heritage Advisory Committee" will provide heritage expertise to the Foundation and will be available to lend advice on heritage projects and concerns". Specifically, it will advise the Board of key heritage issues to which the Foundation should be directing its attention; develop a plan for optimum use of the Foundation's property, such as the Tremaine Map, the video and scanner; receive, seek out and consider nominations for the annual Awards of Excellence and recommend to the Board those deemed worthy of such awards; develop standards and recommendations for other heritage awards by the Foundation; lend advice on heritage issues to organizations and individuals within the Region (when required); and provide speakers to fulfill speaking engagements located by the Communications Committee.

The membership of the Heritage Advisory Committee was up to the challenge of its new mandate. Its members were: Bertha Thompson, Gordon Ambrose, Peter Bufe, Anne Chafe and Geoff Hayes. Stuart Summerhayes sat as an ex officio member.

The Committee's first task was to select and nominate individuals and organizations who had shared with the Foundation a significant role in heritage conservation over the past 25 years. The groups selected were those who hold membership on the Heritage Foundation or who had used Foundation funds for ongoing heritage projects. The winners were:

Grand River Conservation Authority

City of Cambridge

City of Kitchener

City of Waterloo

Heritage Cambridge -- Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

Kitchener LACAC/Heritage Kitchener

Cambridge LACAC

Waterloo LACAC

Wilmot LACAC

Wellesley LACAC

North Dumfries LACAC

North Waterloo Region Branch -- Architectural Conservancy of Ontario

Kitchener Public Library

Waterloo Historical Society

Woolwich Historical Foundation

Cambridge Archives

Joseph Schneider Haus Museum

Doon Heritage Crossroads

Homer Watson House and Gallery

Steckle Homestead

Ontario Genealogical Society

Wilfrid Laurier University

University of Waterloo Waterloo Wellington Museums and Galleries Network

In addition, the Committee recommended that three individuals be recognized for their outstanding heritage work on behalf of, or with the support of the Foundation. Those individuals were:

Mr. Jack Young Dr. Elizabeth Bloomfield Dr. Kenneth McLaughlin

Tremaine Map

The Committee also met to consider a series of recommendations developed by former Foundation chair Susan Bennett regarding the Foundation's Tremaine Map. The Committee had decided to have the map repaired and to store it in the controlled conditions available at the Curatorial Centre at Doon Heritage Crossroads. In addition, slide transparencies will be taken of the map to ensure that a suitable copy will be available for research or public display.

Foundation Awards

The Committee also considered nominations for two award categories: the Sally Thorsen Award, and the Awards of Excellence.

Sally Thorsen Award of Excellence

This award was named for the late Sally Thorsen, former Commissioner of the Planning and Culture Department for the Region of Waterloo. Intended to recognize Ms. Thorsen's strong commitment to the preservation of heritage resources, it is awarded "to persons demonstrating an outstanding and active level of commitment to heritage concerns in the course of their professional lives." Only one award may be made in any year.

The Committee received three outstanding nominations in this category. It recommended that the Sally Thorsen Award for 1999 be awarded to Susan Burke.

Susan was nominated by Anne Marie Peirce, President, Friends of Joseph Schneider Haus. Her nomination was supported by: Dr. Ken McLaughlin, Dr. Nancy Lou Patterson, Dr. Michael Bird, and the staff of the Joseph Schneider Haus

An excerpt from Dr. McLaughlin's letter of support follows:

"As well as earning a reputation for excellence in museum and heritage work, Susan Burke is indefatigable in her efforts to promote, encourage and develop heritage awareness. Her efforts in this regard go well beyond anyone's definition of professional responsibility and

speak to her consummate passion for heritage and for this community. One need only recall the excellence of the interpretive displays and museum exhibits developed in the Schneider Haus galleries during her tenure as curator/manager of the Joseph Schneider Haus. These exhibits have moved forward our understanding of local heritage beyond what any of us had any right to expect. The publications which have accompanied these have been flawless and award-winning, setting standards of excellence emulated by more prominent museums and galleries in Canada and beyond. I am thinking particularly of From Pennsylvania to Waterloo, which is a striking, enduring and handsome publication which only came about because of her efforts. To say that she is tireless in putting forth her best efforts to identify the heritage concerns of this region would be an understatement. To say that she is committed and passionate about heritage would not really move us further in understanding this remarkable woman. It is difficult to imagine anyone who has given more to the heritage cause than Susan Burke."

Awards of Excellence

This program is intended to recognize outstanding contributions to heritage preservation in the Waterloo Region by an individual, institution or organization, in such areas as: archeological, architectural, archival, cultural (including festivals), educational, genealogical, historical, individual, literary, media, natural and others.

The committee received six nominations in this category. The Committee recommended that the following individuals be recognized with the Awards of Excellence.

Jan Gayman/Margaret Reid

nominated by: Jean Haalboom

These teachers have over the last decade, organized a highly successful Grade 2 teaching unit on the history of this area. Between three to four weeks are devoted to the study of local history. Their projects include a collector's corner, a historical time-line, a driving tour, quilt making and visits to local cemeteries and to Doon Heritage Crossroads.

According to the nomination by Jean Haalboom, "each year Margaret Reid and Jan Gayman have spent countless preparation hours to ensure that the Grade 2 classes at Brigadoon Public School are immersed in Doon's history. They recognize the importance of using local historical sites, residents, and materials to instill in their students that studying history can be fun and very much alive."

Stephanie Marie Barber

nominator: R. Brian Dietrich (representing North Waterloo Region Branch, Architectural Conservancy of Ontario)

Ms. Barber's work with Heritage Kitchener, among other projects, has focussed on the plight of Sonneck, a heritage home on Queen Street North, Kitchener, built and owned by several of the Breithaupt family. Ms. Barber's work began while she was still a student at Cameron

Heights Collegiate. Because demolition was a constant possibility, a public appeal was launched to S.O.S.—Save Our Sonneck—from destruction. Fortunately, a recent purchase has saved Sonneck, and the new owner has renovation plans under way. This nomination recognizes Ms. Barber's diligence and perseverance in advocating the protection of architectural heritage.

Andrew W. Taylor (1907-1986)

nominated by Marvin Bosetti Clerk-treasurer, Township of North Dumfries

Andrew Winton Taylor was born in 1907 on a family farm in North Dumfries. His family was among the first settlers in the area in 1819. Andrew W. Taylor served as President, Councillor and Director of the Waterloo Historical Society. He was President of the Ontario Historical Society., Chairman of the museums section of the OHS, and Editor of the OHS newsletter. He was a founder of the Ontario Pioneer Community Foundation, which became the present Doon Heritage Crossroads. In 1953, he was one of a group that made a presentation to the Ontario Legislature in order to legislate the establishment of Doon Pioneer Village. Taylor published 21 articles for the Waterloo Historical Society, had one published about him by the WHS, wrote for the Ontario Genealogical Society, and published three books about local history. Banners Unfurled: the history of First United Church Galt, 1824-1949; Our Todays: A History of North Dumfries Township, 1816-1952, and its second edition: Our Todays and Yesterdays. Mr. Taylor died in 1986.

Gretchen McCulloch

nominated by Bert Coates
Past president, Homer Watson House & Gallery

Gretchen McCulloch has fostered the rich heritage and culture of the Homer Watson House and the Doon School of Fine Arts, and developed both institutions as national landmarks for arts learning. Her work has been multi-faceted, and has included keeping and collecting heritage pieces and archival materials relating to Homer Watson and his period. Gretchen has also fostered significant additions to the permanent Watson collection, and has curated annual shows of Watson's work from public and private collections. Most recently, Gretchen researched and curated a show of the work of Phoebe Watson.

In addition to her work at the House and Gallery, Ms. McCulloch has served on the City of Kitchener's Public Arts Committee, and was a contributor to the City's first cultural plan.

Eddie Koch

nominator: Peter Bufe Heritage Kitchener

In December of 1995, Mr. Koch purchased three properties on Irvin and Frederick Streets in Kitchener. A fourth property was purchased on Irvin Street in February 1997.

Through the city's heritage inventory, he discovered that each were built in the 1890s on land subdivided by Peter Itter, who between 1881 and 1893 was the master of the County House of Industry and Refuge.

Using his own funds, and demonstrating a real "labour of love" for heritage properties, Mr. Koch has made extensive renovations to bring the buildings and properties back to their original state.

Geoff Hayes, Chair Heritage Advisory Committee Financial Statements of

WATERLOO REGIONAL HERITAGE FOUNDATION

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Auditors' Report

To the Board of Directors of the Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation:

We have audited the statement of financial position of Waterloo Regional Heritage Foundation as at December 31, 1998 and the statement of revenue and expenditures for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the foundation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

In our opinion, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the foundation as at December 31, 1998 and the results of its operations and changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Chartered Accountants

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April 13, 1999

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Statement of Financial Position

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ASSETS		
CASH		
Operations	\$ 2,182	\$ 4,888
Bibliography	-	1,661
	 2,182	6,549
INVESTMENTS (Note 3)	70,000	90,000
ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	1,316	497
	\$ 73,498	\$ 97,046
LIABILITIES AND ACCUMULATED NET REVENUE		
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 220	\$ 5,123
BIBLIOGRAPHY	-	1,661
ACCUMULATED NET REVENUE	73,278	90,262
	\$ 73,498	\$ 97,046

Statement of Revenue and Expenditures

Year Ended December 31, 1998

	1998	1997
REVENUE		
Grant from Region of Waterloo	\$ 44,444	\$ 44,004
Interest	3,874	2,961
Other	2,086	-
	50,404	46,965
EXPENDITURES (Schedule)	67,388	40,645
(DEFICENCY) EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES	(16,984)	6,320
ACCUMULATED NET REVENUE,		
BEGINNING OF YEAR	90,262	83,942
ACCUMULATED NET REVENUE, END OF YEAR	\$ 73,278	\$ 90,262

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year Ended December 31, 1998

1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of presentation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles for non-profit organizations and reflect the following policy:

Fixed assets

The historical cost and accumulated depreciation of fixed assets is not reported. Expenditures of a capital nature are charged against revenue in the year they are incurred.

2. BIBLIOGRAPHY

During the year, the Board of Directors approved the consolidation of the Bibliography account and the associated accumulated net revenue with the other operations of the Foundation.

3. INVESTMENTS

In 1994, the Heritage Foundation transferred its investment funds to the Regional Municipality of Waterloo. The funds invested are due on demand and bear interest based on the net percentage earned by the Regional Municipality of Waterloo. Interest is paid monthly.

4. UNCERTAINTY DUE TO THE YEAR 2000 ISSUE

The Year 2000 Issue arises because many computerized systems use two digits rather than four to identify a year. Date-sensitive systems may recognize the year 2000 as 1900 or some other date, resulting in errors when information using year 2000 dates is processed. In addition, similar problems may arise in some systems which use certain dates in 1999 to represent something other than a date. The effects of the Year 2000 Issue may be experienced before, on, or after January 1, 2000, and, if not addressed, the impact on operations and financial reporting may range from minor errors to significant systems failure which could affect an entity's ability to conduct normal business operations. It is not possible to be certain that all aspects of the Year 2000 Issue affecting the entity, including those related to the efforts of customers, suppliers, or other third parties, will be fully resolved.

Schedule of Expenditures

Year Ended December 31, 1998

	1998	1997
EXPENDITURES		
Foundation projects		
Heritage Promotion - Special Events	\$ 2,742	\$ 1,765
- Heritage Awards	799	80
Grant requests		
Detweiler Meeting House	10,000	-
Hespler History Group	4,800	-
Heritage Cambridge - Walking Tours	4,500	•
Tony Szumigalski - Regional Plant Species	3,900	-
Waterloo Historical Society - 1998 Annual Volume	3,000	-
Cambridge Sports Hall of Fame	2,932	-
Homer Watson House & Gallery	2,650	-
City of Kitchener - Industrial Artifacts Project	2,000	•
City of Kitchener - HAAS System	959	-
Community Heritage Ontario	800	-
Woolwich Historical Foundation	500	-
Waterloo County Board of Education	250	-
Heritage Cambridge - Sheave Tower	-	3,334
City of Cambridge-Riverbank Signage	-	4,023
Waterloo Historical Society-1996 Annual Volume	-	3,000
John Hagopian-Dickson Hill Research Project	-	2,000
Canadian Computing Museum	-	2,000
Dr. Lyle Friesen-Bird Nest Monitoring Project	-	3,000
Grandscapes	-	2,200
Mary MacDonald Research Grant	-	2,500
Homer Watson House & Gallery	-	2,000
Waterloo Historical Society-1997 Annual Volume	-	3,000
J.Steckle Heritage Homestead	-	4,925
Administration		
Foundation meetings and seminars	2,990	2,191
Printing, stationery and supplies	956	454
Promotion and advertising	4,913	1,878
Consulting Fees	15,618	-
Memberships	165	151
Miscellaneous	1,157	387
Insurance	1,757	1,757
	\$ 67,388	\$ 40,645