

Fred Hammond Chapter 73

Chapter 73 Newsletter for Fall 2014

Fall 2014 Meeting and Luncheon

Our Fall 2014 meeting and luncheon will be held on Saturday, October 25, 2014 at The Mohawk Inn located at the northwest corner of Campbellville Road and Highway 401. Coffee and cookies will be available starting at 9 AM. The price for the luncheon is \$25 for members and member's XYL's and \$30 for non-members and is non-refundable for no shows. We have to confirm with the staff at the Mohawk Inn, the total number of attendees four days before our meeting and only ten "walk-ins", at a price of \$30 per "walk-in" will be allowed after the cutoff date. Please get your money in to Jean by October 20, 2014. Both the meeting and the luncheon will be held in Conservation Hall (at the east end of the building). The luncheon this year will, once again, be a served meal, with three choices instead of a buffet. Contributions to the scholarship fund are encouraged. Prize donations are always welcomed.

(http://www.mohawkinn.com/location.html)

President's Report

Our Spring meeting was held on Saturday, April 26th, 2014 at the Mohawk Inn. It was an honour to have Jeff Booth and Arlene Stinchcombe from the Elgin Military Museum of Naval History in Port Burwell as our guest speakers at this meeting. Jeff and Arlene gave a very interesting and educational talk on Project Ojibway, the newest and largest endeavour of the Elgin Military Museum. Thank you to both Jeff and Arlene! For more information please visit the following link: http://projectojibwa.ca/.



Arlene Stinchcombe, Mary Card, Jeff Booth

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at our Fall 2014 Meeting at the Mohawk Inn. We have invited Frank Monteith, VA3FJM, Lead Engineer, at Monitech Industrial Display Solutions, http://www.monitech.com/ index.php, to be our guest speaker at this meeting. Frank will be speaking to us about 3D Printing and demonstrating how a 3D Printer works. I'm also looking forward to hearing Larry Asp, VE3RF, talk about the Hammond Museum.

Mary Card, VE3FEB, President

2014 Scholarship Report

Our scholarship program, which continues to honour the memory of the Silent Keys of our Chapter, is now in its tenth year! This year, we were able to award three scholarships, our yearly Chapter Scholarship, and two Chapter Scholarships courtesy of Rob Hammond and the Hammond team at Manufacturing. On behalf of our 2014 Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA scholarship recipients, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to our chapter members and to Rob Hammond and Manufacturing, Hammond for their generosity and for their ongoing support of our scholarship program. Together, we are all continuing to make a difference in the lives of the future leaders of our country, and the world.

Our first 2014 scholarship recipient is Alex Ferracuti. Alex is currently in his first year of the Business and Commerce Program at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, Alex was on the honour roll throughout his high school career. At high school, Alex participated in the McMaster High School Business Heroes Competition and the Ontario Justice Education Network Charter Challenge. He also volunteered in the community as a Junior Leader at the McMaster Mini-University Summer Camp and the Terry Fox Day Run. In addition, Alex worked at a part-time job to save money for his postsecondary education. In the future, Alex would like to be a Chartered Accountant or a Corporate Lawyer. Alex states, "I was very grateful

when I found out that I was a recipient of the 2014 Fred Hammond, Chapter 73 Scholarship. I am writing to show great thanks for your generosity, and financial support towards my post-secondary education. This generous action will let me focus more primarily on what's really important, my education."

Our **second** 2014 scholarship recipient is Sheldon Pitman. Sheldon is currently in his first year at the University of Alberta in Edmonton, Alberta where he is enrolled in the Life Sciences program. In high school. Sheldon was on the honour roll every year and his grade 12 average was 81%. At high school Sheldon played basketball and was a volunteer tour guide for open houses and score keeper for athletic events. In the community, Sheldon helped his neighbours with snow shovelling and with lawn care. He also volunteered as a referee for his club basketball program and with his younger brother's basketball team. In the future Sheldon is planning to become a doctor. Sheldon's proud grandfather is Ken Oelke, VE6AFO! Sheldon states, "Thank you to the members of the Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA for selecting me as a scholarship winner. It is truly an honour to be a recipient and the financial aid is much appreciated." Our third 2014 scholarship recipient is Lisa Xiong. Lisa is currently in her first year at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario where she is enrolled in the Life Sciences Program. At high school, Lisa was a High Honours student (90+%) for each of the four years that she was in high school. She was an active member of her school community and participated in the following extracurricular activities: Track and Field Team, Cross Country Team, Yearbook (Editor), award-winning Newspaper (Editor), Because I am a Girl Group (Director of Marketing), and the Student Council (Vice President of External Affairs). In the community, Lisa volunteered at the Art Gallery of Ontario, Girl Guides of Canada, the South Riverdale Community Health Centre, and at Bridgepoint Active Healthcare, a rehabilitation hospital. In the future Lisa

would like to become a doctor specializing in either Oncology or Rehabilitation. She also hopes to one day complete a mission overseas with Doctors Without Borders. Lisa states, "I would like to thank you for awarding me this scholarship. It is an honour to have been chosen for this award. Not only will it contribute to my education financially, but mentally as well. It is reassuring to know that I have your support. I greatly appreciate your generosity and plan to pay it forward here at Queen's. Thank you."

Mary Card, VE3FEB, President Chair, Scholarship Committee

Financial Update Fred Hammond, Chapter 73, QCWA Bank Balance

March 21, 2014 \$8,574.50

INCOME

(Luncheon, Memberships, Scholarship Donations

Book Raffle) \$1,915.00

EXPENSES

(Mohawk Inn, Bank charges Deposit for October 2014, Cheque to Military Museum,

Office expenses) \$1,685.14

Bank Balance

September 19, 2014 \$8,804.36

Jean Gimbel, VE3CBQ Secretary-Treasurer

Hammond Museum of Radio Notes Fall 2014

Some news and recent donations to the Museum include the following items. Included in the items donated by Vern Austman VE3ZFQ was a Model C-150 Edison Circa 1914 phonograph in excellent working condition, with a collection of records. This cabinet model unit features an 80 RPM (not 78rpm) disk, a floating diamond stylus and a unique mechanical volume control system. A mechanically lever controlled "plunger" controls the audio by inserting the plunger into the speaker horn. The "plastic domestic" radio collection continues to grow with the donations of several colours that were available in some models. The museum has acquired several binders of key history and information from Stan Riome VE3STN. This is an important resource for anyone interested in doing research on Morse Keys. Lloyd Swackhammer VE3IIA donated his WW II Air Force uniform. The unique thing about this uniform is that since Lloyd was trained as a Radio Operator in the Signal Corps the shoulder slash depicts a fist holding a "lightning flash". Lloyd was trained as an

operator on the Lancaster bomber but the war ended before he was able to serve overseas. There are still a number of copies of Lloyd's book "Radios in Canada". The book, copyrighted in 2002, depicts the majority of domestic tube radios ever made in Canada. If you are interested in the book get in touch with Noreen Irwin-Hann at the museum.

George Found of Kitchener donated a Silvertone radio record player that features a player capable of playing 78 RPM records and/or recording to a wire recorder from either the radio or the record player. The museum is in the process of acknowledging several more donations from Chapter 73 members and also donations from the estates from several of our recent Silent Keys.

To arrange a donation to the museum contact Mrs. Noreen Irwin-Hann, VE3AQZ at 519-822-2960, ext 252 or email her at nirwin@hammfg.com. The museum at 595 Southgate Drive, Guelph is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The curator and volunteers are usually there on Thursdays. Please check out the web site: http://www.hammondmuseumofradio.org

Harold Braun, VE3CD Awards Chair

What Does Your Envelope Label Tell You?

Obviously it contains your name, call sign, address and Postal Code. If there is a correction, please notify our secretary. The easiest way is to use the meeting registration form. The top line of the label contains your membership status. On the left is your Chapter 73 expiry date. It is important for our chapter to keep our dues current. This is our only source of funds. Our dues are needed to cover all the operational expenses. If surplus funds are available it allows us to fund extra scholarships. On the right is the National membership status. An "L" signifies a Life Member. "Friend" signifies that your National dues are in arrears or you are a friend member of Chapter 73 that has not been licensed for 25 years. To be eligible for an anniversary certificate your National dues must be current. When renewing National dues you are re-instated on the date that HQ receives your funds. As a service to our members, the secretary will forward National dues to HQ. Use the luncheon registration for paying National dues.

Ron Gimbel, VE3DBD Vice President

SILENT KEYS

VEKHN Don Meaker June 18, 2014 VE3SV Robert Boyd July 18, 2014 VE3BBB Paul Waechter Aug. 13, 2014

Donors - April 2014 Prize Table

VE3KWI VE3FEB VE3BCA VE3NQK VE3DBP VE3IYY VE3GVD VE3AO VA3PM/Radio World VE3EIL/Hammond

Bert Almemo, VE3NR, Prize Chair

Photo Gallery - Spring 2014 Meeting

Congratulations to our QCWA Certificate Recipients – April 26, 2014!



Ferg Kyle, VE3LVO; John Hann, VA3LKH; Bruce McLellan, VE3QB; Harold Braun, VE3CD; Gordon Moogk, VE3DBP; Jim Cull, VE3ND; Doug Holmes, VE3VS



Bob Jones, VE3ADJ, and Ann Jones, VE3KWI

Note: All photos in this issue are courtesy of Mary Card, VE3FEB, unless otherwise indicated. To view our "online" Chapter Photo Gallery with photos from our meetings, including our Spring 2014 Meeting with photos courtesy of Mary Card, VE3FEB, please follow the following link:

http://www.qcwa.ca/photo%20gallery.htm

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"Things turn out best for people who make the best of how things turn out." - Art Linkletter