Friends and Colleagues,

With the holiday season fast approaching, many heritage professionals have turned their attention the warmth of their offices and the soft glow of their computer screens to start preparing the next season. It’s time to consider projects for the upcoming year, summer student funding applications and planning Canada150 programs.

I wish to extend a thank you to all of our new and renewing members. The AHNB would not exist without your support and dedication as well as that of our supporters. It is our members that make our organization what it is; from their time volunteering on our Board of Directors and various committees’ to their participation in events such as the Annual Meeting & Conference and Webinars.

I have heard nothing but praise from all who attended the conference. The presenters were well prepared and the sessions were informative and well attended. Everyone felt that the coordinators did a superb job organizing the meetings and selecting relevant topics. Congratulations on both a successful and a memorable conference. We are looking forward to next year’s event in Edmundston.

The AHNB is thrilled to welcome new members to our Board of Directors. With their expertise and passion for the built heritage and museums, the Association is poised to make an even more substantial impact towards culture in New Brunswick and beyond.

I would like to sincerely thank our outgoing board members for their service and support to the AHNB and community. Their great work and dedication to the AHNB’s mission and goals over the last few years has helped us to keep moving forward in our work to preserve the history and heritage of the province of New Brunswick.

The AHNB office has been buzzing with activity as we prepare for the next set of webinars. We, in partnership with the Museum Assistance Program, will be presenting three additional webinars based on built heritage, collections management and interpretation. They are free of charge to our members and provide an excellent training opportunity for staff, volunteers and summer students.

We were pleased to partner with the Provincial Government’s Heritage Department to submit a Museum Assistance Program application to upgrade collections management databases of member museums. After consulting with several partners, we made the decision to use Collective Access, a web-based system. This enables work to be saved on a server allowing others to view and work on your database from any computer that is connected to the Internet and runs a modern web browser. Personally, I am excited for possibilities this upgrade presents.

We welcome Simon and Siobhan. Simon is a Young Canada Works intern and has been working to raise awareness of our beautiful built heritage throughout the province. Siobhan has been assisting with communication initiatives and day-to-day tasks.

It is always a pleasure working with you and I can’t wait to see where 2017 takes us!

Warm regards,

Ruth Murgatroyd,
President
Conference 2016 Awards  
October 27, 2016  
New Brunswick Museum Theater  
With Minister Ed Doherty and President Ruth Murgatroyd

Founders Award  
Prix de Fondateur  
Joan Pearce

Awards of Distinction/Prix de distinction  
On left: Swallow Tail Keepers Society received by Laurie Murison  
On right: Queens County Heritage received by Bruce Thomson
The AHNB requests nominations for Annual Awards to deserving individuals through its' Awards Committee.

Nomination may be made by any AHNB Member

Deadline for receipt of nominations: June 30

Submissions are to be made by mail or by e-mail to:
AHNB Award Committee
163 St John Street
Fredericton, NB E3B 4A8
email to: info@amnb.ca

The AHNB Awards are in the following four categories:

Quarter Century Award – Individual- awarded annually
Award of Merit –Individual- awarded annually
Award of Distinction - Project based to an organization-awarded annually
Founder’s Award - Individual at discretion of the Board of Directors

1) Quarter Century Award
Awarded for outstanding long-term service to the heritage community by an individual volunteer. The AHNB wishes to recognize volunteers whose service over 25 years or more merits special recognition. N.B. Heritage professionals who have given voluntary service are eligible for this award

2) Award of Merit
Awarded for an outstanding contribution in the heritage field. The AHNB wishes to acknowledge an individual contribution which may not involve long-term service, yet merits special recognition. (i.e. This award may be granted to an individual whose original ideas, research and presentation results in completion of a specific project). Organizations are not eligible for the Award of Merit

3) Award of Distinction (Organization)
For outstanding achievement (e.g. successful completion of a challenging project, or long-term contribution (e.g. heritage restoration project or exhibit renewal) by an AHNB member organization. The AHNB wishes to recognize the contribution of member organizations which have made a significant contribution to the preservation of heritage in the province of New Brunswick

4) Founders Award
To be awarded to an individual at the discretion of the Board of Directors for outstanding contributions to the people of New Brunswick. The Board of Directors of the AHNB may from time to time wish to recognize a singular or series of outstanding contributions of an individual to their community or the province at large with the presentation of the Founders Award. Consideration for the Founders Award shall not be limited to membership in the AHNB. The Award may be presented to an individual or organization either volunteer or professional. The Founders Award may not necessarily be awarded annually.

You can find the forms on our website at:
http://ahnb-apnb.ca/nomination-formnomination-de-prix/
Banquet 2016
Hall of Great Whales
New Brunswick Museum
October 27, 2016
Some of the presentations, workshops and sessions at the 2016 conference
NETWORKING AND RELAXING
Thank you to all those who helped make our 2016 conference a success

Jane Fullerton
And
Joan Pearce
And the crew from NBM
UNB Art Centre

Buy a beautiful calendar and support the stained glass restoration project at UNB!

One of the distinguishing features of UNB’s Memorial Hall is the stained glass windows that grace the auditorium. As part of a fundraising campaign spearheaded by the UNB Art Centre to conserve and stabilize the stained glass windows, the UNB Art Centre has created a 16-month 2016-2017 calendar. These calendars, which feature details of the windows, are on sale for $15, the proceeds from which support the stained glass restoration fund. Calendars can be purchased at the UNB Art Centre, or at various other locations on campus and in the community.

Each of the windows in Memorial Hall is dedicated to an important member of the university community and features family crests and personal insignia, as well as images drawn from poetry, history, and science. Our calendar campaign allows you to bring these beautiful works of art into your own home.

Over time these windows have become unstable due to the settling of the building and general deterioration from exposure to the elements. More importantly, the effect of the intense sunshine on these windows has caused a dramatic change in their condition. Your support will help preserve the windows to be enjoyed by members of the UNB community for generations to come!

These windows, as well as all of the stained glass windows existing on campus, are part of the UNB Permanent Collection. As part of the collection, the preservation and safekeeping of these windows is the responsibility of the UNB Art Centre. The University of New Brunswick recognizes the significance of these beautiful historic windows, and over the next couple of years, will ensure the preservation of these extraordinary works of art. The UNB Art Centre is seeking funding through provincial and federal heritage project funding channels, and more details on the fundraising campaign will follow. For more information about making a donation, contact Marie Maltais at mem@unb.ca.

For more information, contact the UNB Art Centre at (506) 453-4623. For the most up to date information about fundraising activities, follow the UNB Art Centre on Facebook at www.facebook.com/UNB.Art.Centre and on Twitter @UNBArtCentre or with the hashtag #ArtCentre75.

The UNB Art Centre is located at Memorial Hall, 9 Bailey Drive, University of New Brunswick, Fredericton. The galleries are open 9 am - 4 pm weekdays and for special events. Admission is free to members of the public. Everyone welcome!

For further information, please contact:
Marie Maltais, Director
UNB Art Centre
(506) 453-4623
Musée historique de Tracadie

_Tribute to our Nurses in this Centennial Year_

This past August 12th, the area’s nurses met at the Soeur Fauteux room at l’Académie Ste-Famille for a cake-cutting ceremony in honour of their provincial association’s centennial anniversary. 46 people or so came to share memories of their years of nursing work. The first nurse to receive her registration from the province’s association at the Tracadie hospital was Sister Turcotte in 1922, after her training at Campbellton’s Hôtel-Dieu hospital. Many more nurses followed. Between 1947 and 1963, 74 nurses received their nursing diploma from l’École d’Infirmières de Tracadie. A museum visit and to the special exhibit “Nursing: 100 Years of Care” followed.

Photo: Cake-cutting: Mrs. Loula Arsenault and Viateur Rousselle
Management
The Historical Museum of Tracadie
Musée historique de Tracadie

*A Canadian Tale of Tragedy, Homecoming and Courage*

To help mark Canada’s 150th Anniversary in 2017, Dr. Ronald Rudin of Concordia University, through his Lost Stories Project will be creating pieces of public art in four selected areas across Canada.

The story that has been selected for Atlantic Canada is that of the spread of leprosy in the small villages along the Northeastern shores of New Brunswick around the mid 19th century. It was on April 13, 1844, that an edict from the government ordered that all lepers along the shores from Miramichi to Caraquet be sequestered. They were brought, many against their will, to the forsaken rudimentary buildings on Sheldrake Island at the mouth of the Miramichi River.

For five miserable years, men, women and children remained there in pain and suffering in exile, away from their loved-ones before being brought to a lazaretto in Tracadie. Unfortunately, eleven had already succumbed to this terrible illness, and remain buried there to this day.

Because these lepers have been isolated, abandoned, feared, and in many cases, scorned, we want to give back to them some of their dignity in telling their story of exceptional courage, pride and determination.

An artwork, inspired by this story will be erected on the grounds of Sts Peter and Paul church in Bartibogue Bridge, overlooking Sheldrake Island. A documentary video will follow around the end of 2017 or early in 2018. This phase of the project is subsidised by the federal government’s Canada 150 Fund for Signature projects.

This project came about as a result of the hard work of the Committee Sheldrake, founded in 2014. This sub-committee of the Historical Museum of Tracadie, Inc. is made up of 10 members from Acadian Peninsula, Bartibogue Bridge and Miramichi. The committee is now in the process of raising funds necessary to prepare the site, and for the official unveiling which we expect will be ready for July 19, 2017.
CulturePlus

CulturePlus is launched!

The Cultural Human Resources Council of New Brunswick (CulturePlus) held their official launch last Friday at the New Brunswick Museum. Executive Director, Debborah Donnelly, was happy to unveil the organization’s new website as well as their Cultural Training and Career Development Survey.

All people involved in the cultural industry are invited to take part in the survey, which can be found on the CultuerPlus website.

Lutz Mountain

HERITAGE WEEK 2017

Heritage week for 2017 will be held February 13 – 20. In celebration of New Brunswick’s role in Confederation, New Brunswick will be adopting the theme “150 Years of NB Pride”.

Please join us on February 15th at 7:00 pm at the Meeting House to share in celebration of our Heritage and to show our appreciation to all the volunteers who make your Meeting House possible. Without these great supporters, we would not have Heritage Week to celebrate. Be thankful for what we have in our community and be a part of the legacy we leave for future generations.
**Did you know?**
That if you have a zone meeting and not all your members can attend in person you can use our conference call service for a minimal fee.

**Did you know?**
That we have been giving free webinars for the past three years on different topics concerning Collection Management and you can view them on our website for free.

**Did you know?**
That membership has changed to only one year renewal and runs from January to December. You can also check off if you wish to be part of National Trust of Canada and receive their benefits. The cost for membership has not changed.

**Did you know?**
That on our website we promote our members events that are sent to us.

**Did you know?**
That we can promote your museum with a full page spread on our website.

**Did you know?**
That we have links to all of your zone websites.

**Did you know?**
That the list of award recipients are on our website under Conference.

**Did you know?**
That if you are in the Capital City and need a place to work we have a spot for you at our office at 163 St John Street.

**Did you know?**
That we have a new mobile phone application called ONDAGO which is a MAP of “Museums in NB”. To sign up contact info@amnb.ca

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**The Mission of Association Heritage New Brunswick shall be to preserve the history and heritage of the province of New Brunswick by uniting, promoting and advancing the aspirations of all workers in the heritage and cultural fields in the province of New Brunswick both voluntary and professional, their supporters and other heritage and cultural organizations.**

**AHNB Committees**

- Advocacy - Bill Clarke (Chair)
- Built Heritage Steering Committee - Sherry Little (Chair)
- Communications - vacant
- Conference & AGM - Gaëtane Saucier Nadeau & OTEM Edmundston (Chair)
- Awards - Dave Desjardins (Chair)
- Finance - Donald Alward (Chair)
- Membership - vacant

**ALERTE SUBMISSIONS**
Submissions are always welcome!
Please send details of your event, program, or heritage news to: info@amnb.ca

Articles should be 150 to 400 words maximum. Pictures & press releases are welcome.

ALERTE is published province wide—if possible please supply your submission in both official languages if not translation service is available.

Thank you!