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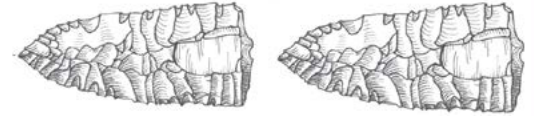
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Also, don't forget to join the Toronto Chapter of The Ontario Archaeological Society Facebook Group for all the up to date information about meetings, as well as interesting links. Information is also posted on the Chapter's webpage.

President's Message



This is my final message for Profile as President of the chapter. I'd like to send out a big thank-you to all of the executive members who contributed their knowledge and expertise over the past three years making the running of the chapter truly a team effort. Sylvia will be leaving her post as Past-President and I will be stepping in. Special thanks to Sylvia for her many years of contributing to the chapter and helping me to fulfill my obligations.

There will be major changes to the chapter executive in January 2013. Not only is the President position open, but Marti will be stepping down as Vice President and Annie will be stepping down as Secretary. The nominating committee of Norma Knowlton and Christine Caroppo has been successful in getting at least one nomination for each of the positions to date. Please feel free to step forward, or nominate a fellow member (with their permission), for any of the executive positions. See details in the notice from the nominating committee in this newsletter. For those of you who would like to be involved with the chapter but not necessarily on the executive, we are also looking for someone (or perhaps a couple of people) to step forward as the social convener to set up coffee on meeting nights. For someone with experience in putting together great looking documents, Profile is looking for a new editor. Please let the nominating committee know if you are interested in either of these positions.

As most of our members know, Annie Gould has been the secretary of the chapter since its inception. Her dedication and contributions to the chapter are remarkable and we appreciate everything she has done. We all benefit from her enthusiasm for cultural heritage in Toronto and her incredible knowledge of the Toronto Chapter. We hope to continue to be graced with her knowledge and interest in archaeology for many years to come.

Janice

Chapter Notices

Call for Papers

We are always interested in publishing articles by members of the Toronto Chapter. If you are interested in sharing your research or experiences in archaeology in this newsletter, please contact Amanda Parks at amanda.parks@gmail.com.

Searching for a New Profile Editor

We are looking for a new editor for our newsletter, Profile. If anyone has experience in creating great looking documents, or is interested in learning the process, please email the Toronto Chapter at torontoarchaeology@gmail.com.

Remembering Jane Sacchetti: Profile Editor from 1982 to 1990

By Ellen Blaubergs

The founding and first years of any new organization are often filled with an abundance of activity, eager new members and lofty goals for the future. The OAS Toronto Chapter's founding in 1981 was no exception. A monthly speaker series, regular newsletter, January members' nights, fundraising book sales, excavation and lab opportunities, summer picnics and socials, canoe expeditions, Christmas parties, and winter ski and snowshoes weekends all made for an action-packed annual calendar. These well-attended activities also resulted in many new friendships being forged.

Jane Sacchetti was a member of this nascent group and eagerly embraced the job of editing the chapter newsletter in 1982. Profile was chosen after a fun-filled naming contest won by Jim Shropshire. In her first year as editor, Jane produced 7 newsletters! She cut back to 6 after that. Many issues exceeded 20 pages in length but the average hovered around 12 pages. Jane was an excellent typist and copy-editor and for many years Profile was produced on a typewriter (meaning she typed hand-written submissions or re-typed them to fit her template). Typos were a rarity.

Recently, Marjorie Clarkson, Jim Shropshire and I spent an enjoyable afternoon pouring through Marjorie's Profile back issue collection, concentrating on those edited by Jane. They were always nicely laid out and filled with regular columns, photographs, photocopies of interesting print media news articles and original cartoons by Rudi Fecteau. Other articles and columns were often accompanied by artwork skillfully rendered by Roberta O'Brien. "Profile's Profiles" and "Ask Don Valli" (nom de plume of Roberta O'Brien) became standards. New members appreciated these very much. The former introduced us to fellow members and their research interests; the latter simply answered our archaeology questions. In the March/April 1984 (Vol. 3, No. 2) edition, "Don Valli" noted that a recent talk by John Steckley, "resulted in a small mountain of letters inquiring about



moieties." Don Valli's response was concise and included a list of suggestions for further reading.

This contribution from the July/August 1983 edition was among our favourites:

"Don Valli is in the field for the summer. We do however, have a communication from Jim Brennan in answer to a previous question....Be a snob...Marshalltown trowels are available at Dominion Hardware, Parkway Plaza, Ellesmere Road and Victoria Park. They cost \$8.39 plus tax."

Other regular features included Peter Hamalainen's "Brain Teasers" and there was the odd book review column written by "Deep Trench." Dena Doroszenko might know the identity of this columnist! Chapter secretary Annie Gould was a regular contributor of monthly speaker summaries and

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lists of chapter archival holdings. Research articles, book reviews, exhibit reviews, reports on various social and other activities, and an upcoming events column rounded out each issue.

Jane was forever soliciting contributions to *Profile* and this is how I first met her. Believe it or not, my first submission to our beloved newsletter was a recipe. After telling Jane about the surprise birthday cake I received on site one day, she asked me to submit the recipe (most of it was from a cake mix) and so, the “Stake and Arrow Pie” recipe appeared on the last page of *Profile*, Vol. 2, No. 4, July/August 1983.

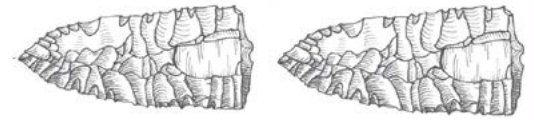
Many *Profiles* from “Jane’s years” contain an important record of the archaeological activity in and around Toronto. Brief research articles by the staffs of the Archaeological Resource Centre, Toronto Historical Board, Ministry of Culture (and all its other incarnations), Ontario Heritage Foundation, ROM, the Ministry of Transportation, and

various consulting firms demonstrated Jane’s persistence as an editor. She wanted this newsletter to be as current as possible when it came to archaeological research in our region.

When I last saw Jane in 2011, she was very proud to learn that that several *Profile* research articles from her years, were included in “A Bibliography of Northeast Historical Archaeology, 1987-2006”, compiled by David R. Starbuck. This 97 page-listing appears in *Northeast Historical Archaeology*, Volume 35, 2006.

Profile is a wonderful time capsule of the OAS Toronto Chapter’s evolution and archaeological research in Toronto and the GTA. We will always look fondly on Jane’s tenure as the first editor of our newsletter and remember her tenacious dedication as she solicited submissions and communicated these to our membership and beyond.

Chapter Awards



Congratulations Toronto Chapter of The Ontario Archaeological Society!

Janice Teichroeb, President of the T-OAS receives anniversary certificate from Lorie Harris, Executive Director of the OAS. The certificate was awarded in recognition of the 30th Anniversary of the Toronto Chapter by Premier Dalton McGuinty



Congratulations Annie Gould!

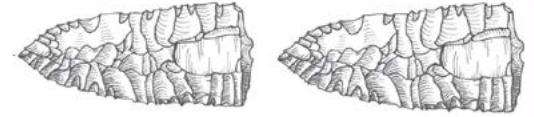
Congratulations to Annie Gould for receiving the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal in recognition for 30 years of volunteer service to the Toronto Chapter of the Ontario Archaeological Society.



Congratulations Penny Young!

Penny Young received recognition for membership in the OAS for 25 years from Executive Director Lorie Harris during November's meeting.

Call for Nominations



We are looking for President, Vice President/Program Convener, and Secretary nominations for 2013.

Nominations are now open for all positions on the Toronto Chapter Executive for 2013. The positions available for election are:

President
Vice President/Program Convener
Treasurer
Secretary



Our current President, Vice President, and Secretary are ending their terms. If you are interested in running for any of these positions, or if you would like to nominate someone else (with their prior permission) please send a note to torontoarchaeology@gmail.com

If you do not have e-mail you can fill out a nomination form at the Dec 12 meeting. **Nominations will close at the December 12 Chapter meeting/party.** In the event that there is more than one nomination for any position, **elections will be held at the January 16 Chapter meeting.**



If you've never served on a volunteer committee, here's your chance to get your feet wet while helping out your OAS Chapter. The average time commitment per month is only about 1-2 hours depending on the position. In addition, attendance at the monthly meetings, September to May, inclusive, is encouraged.

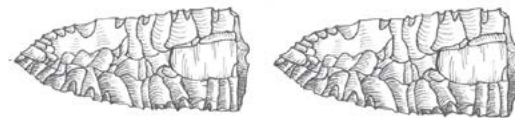
This is your chance to contribute to your Chapter in a meaningful way!

If you think you could help, please email torontoarchaeology@gmail.com. If you have questions, feel free to contact Christine Caroppo, glebeholme@hotmail.com.

THANKS!

Norma Knowlton & Christine Caroppo
Toronto Chapter OAS Nominating Committee

Upcoming Events



Wednesday December 12, 2012

OAS TORONTO CHAPTER CHRISTMAS PARTY

We are happy to announce our annual Members Christmas Party will be held on December 12. Please note that this is the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** in December (not our usual meeting day of the third Wednesday). The details are as follows:

When: Wednesday, December 12, 6-11 p.m.

Where: Room 246, UoT Anthropology Building
19 Russell Street (corner of Russell and Huron)



This is our one big get-together for members, so come out and meet old friends - or even make some new ones. As always, there'll be plenty of great food and drink, plus lots of good company.

Just so that we can estimate the amount of wassailing supplies buy, please RSVP to Sylvia, preferably by e-mail: sylvia@teaves.com or leave me a message at 416-236-7381.

We hope to see you there!

Wednesday January 16, 2013



Join Us for Member's Night!

Please join us for Members' Night in January when the chapter members provide presentations, usually based on their own archaeo-logical or cultural experiences.

This year Marti Latta will discuss the Romans in Dalmatia and the first gated retirement community -- Split, Croatia. Highlights from a ROM tour to the Dalmatian coast including sun, sand, surf, snow and lots of archaeological ruins!

Mima Kapches, also to present!