AMERICAN CANADIAN GENENALOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES OF THE BOARD April 14, 2005

The president called the meeting to order at 6:10 PM.

Present: Pauline Cusson, Paul Lambert, Julie Smith, Lorette Leafe, Jeanne Boisvert, Rick Guilmette, Roger Lanctot, Gerry Lalonde, Gerry Savard, Connie Hamel, Lorraine Huppe and Muriel Normand. Bob Paquette, from the computer committee was in attendance.

Officer and committee reports

Recording Secretary

- Minutes of the February meeting reviewed and approved as published.
- Minutes of the March meeting reviewed and corrected.
- Minutes of the Special meeting on the Drouin digitized films were approved via email. (See addenda at end of minutes.)

Connie moved to approve the above minutes, seconded by Jeanne; motion carried.

<u>President's report</u>: The 2 hard drives of Drouin digitized films were delivered today. Mr. Pepin and Mr. Drouin also left with a copy of all ACGS published repertoires and Fr. Croteau books. The total value of the latter is \$ 4, 742.19 in payment for the Fichiers Histor and Acadiennes that were left here in March. We will continue to obtain Fichiers as they are published until that total is reached.

Mr. Pepin singed the bilingual contract with no additions or changes. He did decline to curtail the sale of the digitized version to someone for internet use if he was offered a substantial price.

- A copy of the original AFGS contract with Mr. Pepin, in English, will be filed in the treasurer's records along with the Drouin information from this purchase.
- Roger moved to have Bob Paquette take the 2 hard drives home and copy them to a backup drive.
 Jeanne seconded and the motion was carried.
- The Federation of Genealogical Societies dues have been paid. We now have the opportunity to participate in the 2006 conference in Boston. If we provide a speaker, we automatically get a free booth as well. The discussion on whether to submit a proposal was tabled.
 Julie moved to participate in the conference, seconded by Muriel, motion carried.
- Some thoughts on marketing the Drouins were presented. They will definitely be presented at the spring conference at the end of the month. Bob P. hopes to project images at that time. This presentation will be added to the spring conference brochure and the internet site as well.
- Our membership at the Manchester Chamber of Commerce is up for renewal. We will only renew if a board member actively participates. Gerry Lalonde volunteered to be that member.
 Julie moved to renew and Connie seconded, motion carried.
- Our trade mark application has been revised to pending status. This is ok since it is already paid for.

Treasurer's Report: approved and filed for audit. The President and board members are please with the previous year by month comparison, it will now become part of the monthly report.

<u>Building and grounds</u>: A letter was received from Blessed Sacrament parish informing us of changes in the size of the parking lot. Pauline will ask Herb Boyce to hold off on estimates for resealing and striping until this is discussed with the parish.

<u>Elevator:</u> The radiator has already been shortened as approved by electronic vote (see addenda to minutes).

Computer committee; Bob proposed the purchase of a 1.6 TB drive at a cost of \$1700 onto which he will copy the Drouin films. We also need to add Fire Wire and a network interface for app. \$50. We also need to purchase ACD software which is inexpensive and simple to use.

Muriel moved to purchase the 1.6 TB hard drive and allocate \$400.00 for peripherals, Julie seconded, motion carried.

The following committees submitted reports electronically: <u>Publications, Corresponding Secretary, Membership, and Library Board.</u>

<u>Web site:</u> Gerry Savard will correct some deficiencies in the email left from the old system with Nicole, including adding Lorraine Huppe's email to the board list. The number of "hits" (foot traffic) is continuously increasing.

<u>Library Board:</u> Both the new no discounting policy and the request to sell the PRDH books now that we have it on the computers were discussed. Pauline will notify the chair that both the new policy and the PRDH books will stay in place.

Ad hoc Finance Oversight committee: Julie moved to name Gerry Lalonde as chairman of this committee until by laws are amended at our fall conference. Connie seconded, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn by Paul Lambert, second, Jeanne, meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

ADDENDA TO THE MARCH MEETING

I Obtaining Legal Counsel (electronic vote)

Pauline submitted a motion via email to approve a \$1000 retainer for legal counsel related to contractual issues in the purchase of the Drouin digitized films.

Votes in support were received from Gerry Lalonde, Gerry Savard, Roger Lanctot, Muriel Normand, Rick Guilmette, Pauline Cusson, Paul Lambert, Connie Hamel, Jeanne Boisvert, Julie Smith and Lorette Leafe. Lorraine Huppe did not vote; Motion carried.

II Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting, 3/12/05

Minutes of the special meeting were submitted by the recording secretary electronically requesting approval in order to obtain a bank loan to purchase the Drouin digitized films. Votes were received approving from all board members in attendance at the meeting. These were hard copied and taken to the bank along with the signed minutes.

III The Chair Lift

Pauline informed the board that the fire department would not approve of the chair lift going on the inside rail. In order to place it on the outside rails, extensions are required on both the first and second floors. The cost is estimated to be \$3600. An electronic vote was requested.

Votes in support were received from Gerry Lalonde, Gerry Savard, Rick Guilmette, Pauline Cusson, Connie Hamel, Jeanne Boisvert, Julie Smith and Lorette Leafe.

Muriel and Roger abstained until a firm price was presented. Lorraine Huppe did not vote; Motion carried.

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2005

	Mar 31, 05
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS 1001 · CHECKING ACCOUNT-BNH	25,875.38
1001 · CHECKING ACCOUNT-BNH 1002 · CHEQUING - CANADIAN FUNDS	25,675.36 2,322.19
1002 GILLGOING FOATABIANT ON BO	11,828.17
1004 · BOOK FUND-SMB	6,828.11
1005 · CASH ON HAND-CASH REG	150.00
1006 · PETTY CASH-VOLUNTEERS	200.00
1007 · C.D. SMB 10/18/2002	1,113.06
1009 · LIFE MEMB. ACCT. BNH	2,609.85
Total 1000 · BANK ACCOUNTS	50,926.76
Total Checking/Savings	50,926.76
Accounts Receivable	92.24
1100 · ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	82.31
Total Accounts Receivable	82.31
Other Current Assets 1300 · INVENTORY-RESALE	64,908.85
Total Other Current Assets	64,908.85
Total Current Assets	115,917.92
Fixed Assets	
1500 · Fixed Assets	
1501 · LIBRARY BUILDING	222,172.38
1502 · FURNITURE & EQUIPMENT	99,260.70
1503 · ACGS HOLDINGS	229,485.83
Total 1500 · Fixed Assets	550,918.91
Total Fixed Assets	550,918.91
TOTAL ASSETS	666,836.83
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Equity 3000 · OPENING BALANCE EQUITY	516,673.46
3900 · RETAINED EARNINGS	153,472.95
Net Income	-3,309.58
Total Equity	666,836.83
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	666,836.83

American-Canadian Genealogical Society Income/Expense March 2005

	Mar 05
Income 4100 · MEMBERSHIP 4101 · Dues	5,187.00
Total 4100 · MEMBERSHIP	5,187.00
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4200 · PUBLICATIONS 4201 · Used Book Sales 4203 · Repertoires 4204 · Index & Holdings 4206 · CD Roms 4207 · Fr, Croteau Publications	3.00 2,717.97 25.00 4.50 55.00
4208 · Orphan Publications	116.00
Total 4200 · PUBLICATIONS	2,921.47
4400 · LIBRARY 4401 · All Copies 4402 · Maps-Charts-Guides 4403 · Guest Fees 4405 · Beverages 4407 · Hats	40.70 94.15 80.00 19.00 32.50
Total 4400 · LIBRARY	266.35
4500 · RESEARCH 4501 · Reasearch Income	460.00
Total 4500 · RESEARCH	460.00
4700 · SOCIETY 4701 · Elevator Fund 4702 · Bidg Fund 4703 · Book Fund 4705 · Cash Over & Short 4706 · Ckg Act Int 4708 · Sav Act Int	335.00 85.00 139.00 0.85 3.56 5.23
Total 4700 · SOCIETY	568.64
Total Income	9,403.46
Gross Profit	9,403.46
Expense 6100 · MEMBERSHIP EXP 6101 · Postage 6102 · Supplies	181.38 43.62
Total 6100 · MEMBERSHIP EXP	225.00
6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP 6202 · Supplies 6203 · Print Reps	43.88 518.79
Total 6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP	562.67
6300 · GENEALOGIST EXP 6301 · Postage 6303 · Printing	247.45 4,096.40
Total 6300 · GENEALOGIST EXP	4,343.85
6400 · LIBRARY EXP 6402 · Supplies 6404 · Equip. Maint	77.97 195.00
Total 6400 · LIBRARY EXP	272.97
6500 - RESEARCH EXP 6502 - Supplies	69.99
Total 6500 · RESEARCH EXP	69.99

1:32 PM 04/07/05 **Accrual Basis**

American-Canadian Genealogical Society Income/Expense March 2005

	Mar 05
6700 · SOCIETY EXP	
6703 · Telephone	140.63
6707 · Bank Charges	6.00
6710 · Credit Card Charges	53.93
6712 · Internet Services	277.35
6713 · LEGAL EXPENSES	1,000.00
Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP	1,477.91
6800 · BUILDING EXP	
6801 · Heat	1,860.49
6802 · Electricity	217.00
6803 · Water-Sewer	15.00
6805 · Building Maint.	525.00
6806 · Grounds Maint.	1,350.00
Total 6800 · BUILDING EXP	3,967.49
Total Expense	10,919.88
Net Income	-1,516.42

American-Canadian Genealogical Society Income/Expense Previous Year Comparison March 2005

_	Mar 05	Mar 04	\$ Change	% Change
Income				
4100 · MEMBERSHIP			04400	45.00
4101 · Dues	5,187.00	6,101.00	-914.00	-15.0%
Total 4100 · MEMBERSHIP	5,187.00	6,101.00	-914.00	-15.09
4200 · PUBLICATIONS			0.00	400.00/
4201 · Used Book Sales	3.00	0.00	3.00	100.0%
4203 · Repertoires	2,717.97	761.92	1,956.05 25.00	256.7% 100.0%
4204 · Index & Holdings		25.00 0.00		
4205 · Jette & White	0.00	979.50	-979.50	-100.0%
4206 · CD Roms	4.50	0.00	4.50	100.0%
4207 · Fr, Croteau Publications	55.00	363.50	-308.50	-84.9%
4208 · Orphan Publications	116.00	225.00	-109.00	-48.4%
Total 4200 · PUBLICATIONS	2,921.47	2,329.92	591.55	25.49
4400 · LIBRARY		A 10 TO	007.00	-88.3%
4401 · All Copies	40.70	348.58	-307.88	-00.3% 113.3%
4402 · Maps-Charts-Guides	94.15	44.15	50.00	-15.8%
4403 · Guest Fees	80.00	95.00	-15.00	-15.6% -19.2%
4405 · Beverages	19.00	23.50	-4.50 20.50	100.0%
4407 · Hats	32.50	0.00	32.50	
Total 4400 · LIBRARY	266.35	511.23	-244.88	-47.99
4500 · RESEARCH	400.00	200.00	70.00	18.0%
4501 · Reasearch Income	460.00	390.00		
Total 4500 · RESEARCH	460.00	390.00	70.00	18.0%
4700 · SOCIETY			000.00	274 207
4701 · Elevator Fund	335.00	71.10	263.90	371.2%
4702 · Bidg Fund	85.00	0.00	85.00	100.0%
4703 · Book Fund	139.00	0.00	139.00	100.0%
4705 · Cash Over & Short	0.85	6.85	-6.00	-87.6%
4706 · Ckg Act Int	3.56	3.52	0.04	1.1%
4707 · Bid Fnd Int	0.00	1.24	-1.24	-100.0%
4708 · Sav Act Int	5.23	4.34	0.89	20.5%
Total 4700 · SOCIETY	568.64	87.05	481.59	553.2
4800 · BUILDING 4801 · Rent	0.00	875.00	-875.00	-100.0%
Total 4800 · BUILDING	0.00	875.00	-875.00	-100.0
•	9,403.46	10,294.20	-890.74	-8.7
Total Income	5,400.40			
oss Profit	9,403.46	10,294.20	-890.74	-8.7

American-Canadian Genealogical Society Income/Expense Previous Year Comparison March 2005

	Mar 05	Mar 04	\$ Change	% Change
Expense 6100 · MEMBERSHIP EXP 6101 · Postage	181.38	180.92 44.08	0.46 -0.46	0.3% -1.0%
6102 · Supplies	43.62			
Total 6100 · MEMBERSHIP EXP	225.00	225.00	0.00	0.0%
6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP 6201` · Postage 6202 · Supplies Print Reps	0.00	515.89 36.00	-515.89 -36.00	-100.0% -100.0%
6202 · Supplies - Other	43.88	0.00	43.88	100.0%
Total 6202 · Supplies	43.88	36.00	7.88	21.9%
6203 · Print Reps 6205 · Jette & White 6208 · Orphan Publications	518.79 0.00 0.00	0.00 2,115.00 225.00	518.79 -2,115.00 -225.00	100.0% -100.0% -100.0%
Total 6200 · PUBLICATIONS EXP	562.67	2,891.89	-2,329.22	-80.5%
6300 · GENEALOGIST EXP 6301 · Postage 6303 · Printing	247.45 4,096.40	27.28 0.00	220.17 4,096.40	807.1% 100.0%
Total 6300 · GENEALOGIST EXP	4,343.85	27.28	4,316.57	15,823.2%
6400 · LIBRARY EXP 6402 · Supplies 6404 · Equip. Maint	77.97 195.00	279.57 140.00	-201.60 55.00	-72.1% 39.3%
Total 6400 · LIBRARY EXP	272.97	419.57	-146.60	-34.9%
6500 · RESEARCH EXP 6502 · Supplies	69.99	0.00	69.99	100.0%
Total 6500 · RESEARCH EXP	69.99	0.00	69.99	100.0%
6700 · SOCIETY EXP 6701 · Postage 6703 · Telephone 6705 · Subscriptions 6707 · Bank Charges 6710 · Credit Card Charges 6712 · Internet Services	0.00 140.63 0.00 6.00 53.93 277.35	179.81 112.02 245.50 6.80 62.11 120.28	-179.81 28.61 -245.50 -0.80 -8.18 157.07	-100.0% 25.5% -100.0% -11.8% -13.2% 130.6%
6713 · LEGAL EXPENSES	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	100.0%
Total 6700 · SOCIETY EXP	1,477.91	726.52	751.39	103.4%

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American-Canadian Genealogical Society Income/Expense Previous Year Comparison March 2005

	Mar 05	Mar 04	\$ Change	% Change
6800 · BUILDING EXP 6801 · Heat 6802 · Electricity 6803 · Water-Sewer 6806 · Building Maint. 6806 · Grounds Maint.	1,860.49 217.00 15.00 525.00 1,350.00	1,666.45 211.87 30.50 2,974.64 475.00	194.04 5.13 -15.50 -2,449.64 875.00	11.6% 2.4% -50.8% -82.4% 184,2%
Total 6800 - BUILDING EXP	3,967.49	5,358.46	-1,390.97	-26.0%
Total Expense	10,919.88	9,648.72	1,271.16	13.2%
Net Income	-1,516.42	645.48	-2,161.90	-334.9%

MEMBERSHIP REPORT FOR MONTH OF MARCH, 2005

New Members		19
Renewals (8 Reactivated)		15
Inactivated	(2 deaths)	30
Donations		\$555.00
Total Number of Active M	fembers	2185
Active Members		1754
Family Members		. 180
Student		4
Exchange		120
Life		116
Life Family		5
Life Genealogist	(1st Class Postage)	0
Active Genealogi	st (1st Class Postage)	6

Submitted by:

Jeanne Boisvert #6394

To: ACGS Board From: Gerry Savard

Date: 4/18/05

Subject: Web site traffic statistics - March

As promised at the last Board of Directors meeting, here's a copy of the web site statistics. We seem to be doing a good job of drawing people to the site, now we need to get them to spend money, i.e., buy books, join as members, contribute to the tree of life, pay for research, order Drouin images, etc. As time permits, I'm working on changing the beginner's page to generate more interest in what we have to offer. I'm hoping to have that completed by the end of the month.

The message board seems to be pretty active. To date, there are 94 messages and 45 registered users. I have not had to remove any messages due to inappropriate content. I have deleted two registered users who had registered to advertise their websites for drugs/porn.

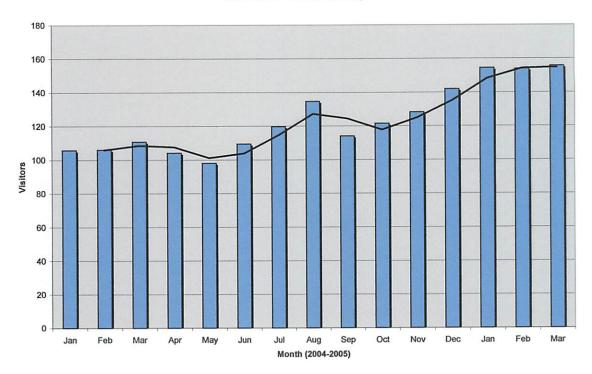
We have users from California, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Michigan, Louisiana, Vermont, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Canada. As you can see, we seem to be reaching a wide audience.

As always, I would appreciate any suggestions for improving the web site, as well as any announcements/changes that need to be done. We need to keep the web site content fresh to continue to draw visitors.

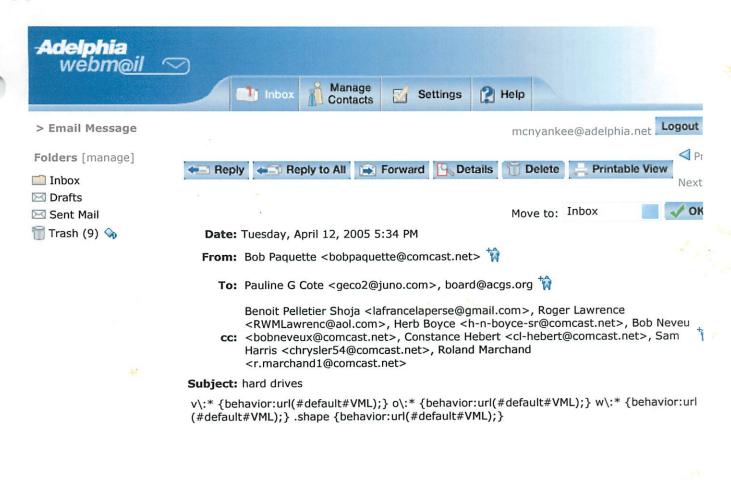
Gerry Savard Web Site Liaison

Year	Month	Visitor Total	Visitors/Day	% Change From Jan 2004 (Jan 2004 used as base month)
2004	Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	3,279 3,079 3,436 3,127 3,039 3,285 3,712 4,176 3,421 3,768 3,847 4,401	105.77 106.17 110.84 104.23 98.03 109.50 119.74 134.71 114.03 121.55 128.23 141.97	0.38% 4.57% -1.48% -7.90% 3.40% 11.66% 21.48% 7.24% 12.98% 17.51% 25.49% 31.52%
2005	Jan Feb Mar	4,788 4,307 4,827	154.45 153.82 155.71	31.52% 31.24% 32.07%

Web Traffic - Visitors Per Day



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Board of Directors:

Below is some info on LaCie USA the company which makes these large hard drives utilized for the Drouin collection. They are the only company I have found who make drives of that large capacity. I have looked into other options such as configuring a computer with a series of internal drives to the necessary capacity and we end up spending more money. This option is in keeping with the philosophy I voiced this past Sunday, keep it as simple as we can. Turns out this is also the most inexpensive and still very workable. So here are a couple of the drives they make. If what Mr. Pepin claims is true that one of the drives is full and the other is \Box full, then I recommend buying one 1.6Tb drive and copying the contents of the 2 drives we receive from Pepin on that and making that our everyday working drive. The two he gives us would be the backups. I will continue to shop for a better price, but at least you can see what we are getting into.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Paquette #3262

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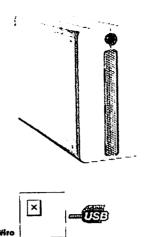
LaCie Bigger Disk with Triple Interface 1TB

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