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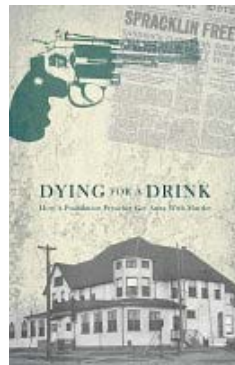
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***THE ONTARIO ORGANIZATION OF THE QUESTERS  
SPRING COUNCIL MEETING***

***THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2019***

***"DYING FOR A DRINK. HOW A PROHIBITION PREACHER GOT AWAY WITH MURDER."***

***PRESENTER – MR. PATRICK BRODE, LOCAL AUTHOR AND HISTORIAN***



***Location: Saint Nicholas Macedonian Eastern Orthodox Church and Hall,  
5225 Howard Avenue, LaSalle, Ontario***

Menu: Herb Roasted Chicken, Penne with Meat Sauce, Green and Yellow Beans with Baby Carrots, Garden Salad, Assorted Rolls and Butter, Assorted Desserts, Coffee and Tea.

Please inform Lucinda Morris of any dietary restrictions by May 9<sup>th</sup> so that these may be accommodated.

9:30 am – Registration and Coffee

10:00 am – Council Meeting

11:00 am – Quester Quarter – A tour of Saint Nicholas Macedonian Church

12 noon – Cash Bar opens

12:15 pm – 3:00 pm – Luncheon, Guest Presenter, followed by the Installation of Officers

Deadline for Reservations – Monday, May 13<sup>st</sup>, 2019. No refunds after this date.

Tickets \$35.00. Make reservations through your Chapter Treasurer.

"Share the Wealth" – Spirit of Windsor #1154.

Proceeds will go towards Recruitment and Chapter Development.

Tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

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## *From the President*

Dear Fellow Questers,

Well, here it is 2019, the year the Ontario Questers are hosting the International Convention. Bev Cyr and her core committee have been very busy developing an exciting and entertaining list of activities to do during the convention in late April, early May at Caesars Windsor. Registrations are coming in quickly and so are our hotel bookings. I know Ontario Questers are excited and willing to make sure that this convention is one of the best that International has ever had.

In October of 2018, we had our International President, Beth Wipperman, with us for our Fall Convention. Beth's message for all Questers was to grow membership in every Chapter and State/Province and for all Chapters to contribute ideas regarding by-law changes that will happen in 2020. Beth also presented a 5 year Anniversary Certificate to Jackie King, President of our newest chapter, Pelee Past #1498.



During this convention, the Ontario Questers presented two Provincial P&R Grants. One grant was presented to Valerie Buckie, representing the Park House in Amherstburg, for \$1,000.00 to update window treatments, and the second to Samantha Keller from the John R. Park Homestead for \$1,200.00 to cover the cost of supplies for artifact conservation.

The Questers were involved in two public relations events in October of 2018, the first being the participation of Questers with an information booth set up at Mackenzie Hall for their Antique Show & Sale. Once again, a lot of interest was generated and the vendors were glad we were participating again. The second event was Canadian Club donating their time and energy to cleaning up the "Smith Cemetery" on Banwell Road. There was an article written about their work as well as mention of the International Convention at Caesars Windsor in 2019. Great job Canadian Club Chapter members.

In conjunction with the convention, the Questers are presenting an exhibit at Museum Windsor from February 2nd to the end of August 2019. Craig Capacchione, the Museum Coordinator, Exhibitions, has worked with Gloria Jung and me to have approximately 20 different collections on display. The first "free" day that the Museum is having took place on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, and we would like as many Questers out to talk about their exhibit or to answer any questions that patrons may have at two upcoming "free" days. There is also a Powerpoint presentation, developed by Don Cyr and Gerry Semenuk, Canadian Club #1417, of the restoration projects that Ontario Questers have donated money towards over the years. There is also be general information about "Who are Questers?" and what we do as well as some of our memorabilia on display. For more information about two future free admission days, please call the museum at 519-253-1812.

In November, I was approached by Lynn Teahan on behalf of Maple Leaf #311 to see if Questers could help with the restoration of a painting that Willistead Manor had just acquired. The painting is of Elizabeth Talman Walker, the granddaughter of Hiram Walker and the daughter of Harrington Walker. I sent out an email to all Chapter Presidents in December to see if we could do a combined Chapter Grant to Willistead for this restoration project. Today, I have received word from 5 Chapters that they would be willing to contribute towards this project. The amount of the project is just over \$2,900.00 and I have received confirmation of \$2,200.00. If there is a Chapter looking for a project to donate to, please call me and I can see if your Chapter can be part of this initiative. Well that is all for now, looking forward to seeing all of you at the 2019 International Questers Convention.

Remember, "It's Fun To Search And A Joy To Find."

Melissa Morris-French, President  
The Ontario Provincial Organization of The Questers

Please wear your name badge at all Quester events.

# 2018 FALL CONVENTION REPORT

The 2018 Fall Convention was held at the Serbian Centre in Windsor where we enjoyed their facilities once again. Beth Wipperman, the International President, attended the Convention and brought greetings from the International Executive Board. She thanked everyone for the warm hospitality extended. Focus is centered on increasing membership as Questers celebrates its 75th Anniversary, and the International would like input from every Quester regarding by-laws and the fact that the Chapter Officers really drive the organization. Cost savings regarding emailing of the QQ was also discussed.

Provincial Treasurer Marilyn Portt awarded \$25 to Denise Deluca-Walsh, President of the Talbot Trail Chapter, for the most members in attendance at the business meeting (88%).

After the business meeting, Julka Vlajic from the Serbian Museum outlined its commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of WW1 – most profoundly the hardships suffered by the Serbians during the War and the bond between the Serbian and Scottish people.

We were treated to another delicious meal in the dining room.

The table centerpieces were provided by the Maple Leaf Chapter and made up of mini pumpkins, flowers and leaves.

Our speakers after the luncheon were Debra and Robert Honor who presented both the genealogical and architectural histories of the Bellevue house in Amherstburg.

This year, the Provincial Executive gave out two Provincial P&R grants. The first grant went to the John R. Park Homestead near Colchester in the amount of \$1200 to cover the cost of supplies for artifact conservation. Melissa Morris-French, President and acting P&R Chair presented Samantha Keller, the Curator and Education Coordinator with the cheque. The second grant went to the Park House Museum in Amherstburg in the amount of \$1000 to update window treatments on four windows in the parlour. Melissa presented the cheque to Valerie Buckie, the former curator of the Museum who is also a member of Questers.



President Melissa Morris-French presenting a P&R grant to Samantha Keller of the John R Park Homestead



President Melissa Morris-French presenting Valerie Buckie with a P&R Grant for the Park House Museum



International President Beth Wipperman presented the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Certificate to Jackie King, the President of Pelee Past.

Talbot Trail chapter organized and ran the Harvest Table which raised \$471.80 to support the Maple Leaflet. A big thank-you goes to all the workers behind the tables and all those who brought homemade goodies, plants, books etc. to be sold.

Denise Deluca-Walsh from the Talbot Trail chapter organized the Silent Auction which raised \$1,600.38 and is the major fundraiser for the Preservation and Restoration Fund.

Submitted by

Lucinda Morris – 2nd Vice-President



International President Beth Wipperman presenting Jackie King, President of Pelee Past #1498, with their 5 year Anniversary Certificate

## CONVENTION CORNER

It won't be long before we welcome Questers from throughout the organization to meet at Caesars-Windsor and celebrate 75 years of searching, finding, preserving, restoring and exploring. Ontario is fortunate to be the hosts at this most important event. The Core Committee has planned a variety of programs and tours to showcase our unique area. All plans are in place – we are now at the fine-tuning stage.

By now, I'm sure that you have registered for the Convention and are looking forward to serving as official hosts, guides, assistants and whatever during the event. If you are still looking for a place to help, please contact Micheline Li Wan Po or Judy Tenzer – they will be happy to slot you in.

If you are staying in the hotel during the convention, please remember to use the code on page 3 in the Winter edition of The Quester Quarterly to guarantee special Convention rates and to help meet the room booking requirements.

See you at the Diamond Jubilee!

If you have any additional questions, please let me know.

Beverly Cyr  
Convention Chairman

## CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

If you are not attending the International Convention being held here in Windsor from APRIL 29 – MAY 2, 2019, please select someone from *your Chapter* who is attending, to take your place. They will act as the voting delegate for your Chapter. Please check page 15 of the Winter 2018 issue of The Quester Quarterly for the **DELEGATE AUTHORIZATION FORM**. It can be printed from the Quester Quarterly Website on line.

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# CHAPTER NEWS

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## *In Memoriam*

Joe Hagg  
Windsor Rum Runners #1441  
December 10, 2018

### PELEE PAST #1498

Have you ever experienced a High Tea? Members of the Pelee Past Questers were treated to this delightful experience in October at the home of one of our members. There were three courses of savouries, sweets and of course, scones. These were accompanied by clotted cream and preserves. Pots of tea circulated on the pretty tables. By the end of the afternoon we were all far more knowledgeable about the differences between teas and tisanes. We had been requested to bring along a tea cup or similar article and we shared the family histories of the pieces. Our hostess shared with us her research into the history of Tea and its travels across the World. China held a monopoly



L to R Beth Smith, vice-president, Carolyn Coad, Maureen Myers and Jackie King, president, enjoying their tea.



Some teas and tisanes

on the trade in Tea, so India and Britain worked to break this. The story involves the illicit removal of the bushes and some of the experienced growers to India and Ceylon, the trade in opium and wars, and the end result of widespread opium addiction among some Chinese men. If you are using real bone china, add the milk first! In an ordinary mug, later will suffice. A Fall afternoon, good friends and tea beside the fire is a welcome experience.

*By Jackie King, President*

### MAPLE LEAF #311

At our June, 2018, meeting, Maple Leaf Questers visited the lovely and important historic St. John's Church in old Sandwich. The church began as a log cabin in 1796, and its modified structure was of course set ablaze during the War in 1813. The current building dates mostly from 1871, with the house added in 1906 followed by the sanctuary and vestry in 1919. The indoor exploration was followed by a stroll through the cemetery, remarking on the headstones, particularly the ones for which we provided funds to aid in restoration work. The burials there date to 1793. They include folks who served at the Battle of Waterloo, the U.S. Civil War, and World War One, as well

as, of course, the War of 1812. One “resident” was an escaped slave. The headstones and markers display quite a variety of styles and materials, probably reflective of the different lives that they honour.

In September, members each brought significant books to show and share stories about. One of the most beautiful was a cherished antique photo album of her husband’s family, shared by Lee Kiborn. Other people showed books which had had great meaning for them throughout their lives.

In October the chapter listened to a presentation by Bill Wicken, History Professor at York University, whose subject was the history of murder. He illustrated how the Criminal Code of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries differed from ours today, and how gender and class affected the execution of the law, for example by a jury assuming that a woman could not have possibly committed a particularly heinous crime

Our November program, in honour of Remembrance Day, consisted of Bonnie Storey recounting for us the story of her distant relative, Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae. He, of course, is famous for the stirring poem, *In Flanders Fields*. It was fascinating to learn that he apparently discarded the poem after writing it out of grief for the loss in battle of a friend. Judy Tenzer recounted the genesis of the also famous *Winnie the Pooh*, and its connection to Canada through the very real bear cub, Winnipeg, who was taken to London, England during WW1 and subsequently left at the zoo there by Canadian veterinarian Harry Colebourn. Judy also introduced us to a wonderful children’s book about the story, *Winnie’s Great War*, the sequel to *Finding Winnie*. Irene Eberwein informed us about the Canadian Historical Documentation and Imaging Group, known as “Canadigm”, which has created digital recordings of artifacts in a cave in France where Canadian soldiers left many carvings as they waited to go “over the top” for the Battle of Vimy Ridge, from which some would not return. The carvings that they left there range from simple scribblings of their names, as if to prove they were there, to beautiful pictures of women and a complete mail box where they might pretend to leave their letters to loved ones. The entire exhibit recently came to Windsor, and several natives of the city are known to have left drawings, including Irene’s great-uncle, James Pinnegar, who died of complications of war wounds in 1928.

Our Chapter celebrated the Christmas season with a tour of Willistead Manor partially to view the portrait of Elizabeth Talman Walker which our Chapter had proposed as a restoration project. Provincial President Melissa Morris-French was present as a guest to consider the proposal that other Chapters might wish to assist with this project. As usual, the volunteers at the Manor had done an amazing job of decorating the mansion for the Christmas season, and we all thoroughly enjoyed the tour. It is always a treat to review the contributions Questers have made to this historic building. After the tour, we had a wonderful luncheon at the Windsor Club.

Our meetings continue to be varied and interesting, and we look forward to the next series.



Maple Leaf members at Willistead Manor

*By Irene Eberwein, Secretary*



## SPIRIT OF WINDSOR #1154

In June, the Spirit of Windsor members met at the Kingsville Historical Veterans Museum. The curator led us down memory lane. The Museum is located in the Kingsville Historical Park. The museum was established to promote interest, education and research in the Military and Civic history of Kingsville and Essex. One of our members, Colleen Norquay donated some of her husband's military hat badges from the Second World War. We enjoyed lunch at a local restaurant.

A planned tour of the Tecumseh Historical Museum in September unfortunately did not take place through a misunderstanding, so we continued to Torino's restaurant, where we were able to have a private area for our meeting. Later we were served a delicious lunch.

Anne McDonald graciously welcomed us to her home for our October meeting. Carol Mentor led us through the history of the kitchen and its place in the home. She displayed some antique kitchen utensils.

We met at Lily Kazzilly's in November for a beautiful view of the river while enjoying a delicious lunch. We were privileged to have Bev Cyr as our guest, giving us a brief description of the upcoming International Convention to be held in April 2019 at Caesars Convention Center. The program, presented by Camilla Heckadon and Paulette Little, was very interesting on the topic of A Musical Look at the Past, including many pieces of sheet music wonderfully preserved from early 20's and 30's with memories of Paulette's mother who was a talented singer on the radio.

We concluded our year in December with conversation and a lovely lunch served at the Olde Towne Bake Shoppe, in old Sandwich Town.

*By Joyce Webb, President*

## WINDSOR RUM RUNNERS #1441

Our annual social in July was the start of the summer and fall season for the Windsor Rum Runners. August found us at the J.P. Wiser's Distillery. Hiram Walker bought 468 acres from the Montreuil family in 1856, and the distillery opened in 1858. He had started distilling whisky in his grocery store in Detroit, but because of on and off Prohibition in Michigan and the absence of liquor taxes in Ontario, he started distilling here. It is now the largest



Rum Runners in the Visitor Centre at J.P. Wiser's

distillery in North America and produces 4½ million cases per year. The distillery uses river water which it treats itself, and after use, it cleans the water before returning it to the river. Grain is delivered to the storage silos at the west of the property at the rate of 15 trucks per day during the harvest season, many from local 4<sup>th</sup> generation farmers. At the end of the distillation process, the remaining grain/water mixture is dried and sold back to farmers as cattle feed. Four different grains are used, rye, corn, barley, and wheat. All the alcohol is single grain, which is then blended into the various products after ageing. The grain goes to a hammer mill which grinds it to open up the starch. Hot water, steam, and enzymes are added in a fermentation tank to convert the starch into sugars. After cooling, yeast is added which starts the fermentation process converting the sugars to alcohol. After 1 day, 5% of the mixture



is alcohol, rising to 11% after 3 days. We saw how the liquid appeared to be boiling when it was reasonably cool due to the production of carbon dioxide in the fermentation process which produces bubbling. The fermentation tanks hold 218000 litres. The mixture after fermentation is called Distillers Beer and is stored in Beer Wells. The mixture is later pumped to the top of a distillation column which is approximately 5 stories high. It descends past trays with holes in them at 2ft intervals while steam is passed upwards. This carries the alcohol to the top where it is extracted. The alcohol is distilled a second time to make it smoother. Sometimes, it is distilled in a pot still where different alcohol flavours come out at different times and can be used for different products. Canadian whisky became popular in the USA during the American Civil War when most of the American distilleries in Kentucky were in the middle of the war zone. Prohibition in the USA in the 1920s caused a severe decline in the Canadian whisky business. Most Canadian distillers were originally millers, who could not store grain, but could store the whisky made from the excess grain. Henry Corby was the first major distiller in Belleville, making rye whiskey. American whisky, bourbon, uses corn. Rye adds spice to the alcohol, corn adds sweetness, barley adds a nutty flavour and wheat adds the flavour associated with bread. Shortly after, Gooderham and Worts started their distillery in Toronto. They produced a four grain whisky, and used the double distillation process to produce a smoother whisky. J.P. Wiser's distillery in Prescott was bought by Corby in the 1920s. Harry Hatch was the head salesman for Corby, and during Prohibition, organized 250 fisherman who were almost out of business to smuggle whisky into the US. When he asked to become a part owner of Corby's, he was fired, so he went to Toronto, bought Gooderham and Worts who were in decline, moved his fishing fleet there and continued supplying the US. Corby was now in rapid decline so he bought them, and in 1926, he bought the Hiram Walker distillery from Hiram's grandsons in 1926. The Hatch family sold the business in the 1980s when whisky consumption was starting to decline. The famous Canadian Club brand was sold to Jim Beam in Kentucky. All of the other brands associated with the various distilleries are still produced. The single grain whiskies are aged in barrels at Pike Creek, where 1.6 million barrels are in storage. The ambient heating and cooling of winter and summer drives the whisky into and out of the wood and gives it the distinct flavours. Different barrels are used for different flavours. The single grain whiskies are then blended and bottled for the different brands. Finally there are between 400 and 500 workers at the distillery, depending on the season.

Our September meeting was on the sinking of the steamboat "Arabia". Anne and Ted Symonds attended the International Convention in Kansas City in May, and visited the Museum dedicated to the sinking. The Arabia was built in 1853 and initially ran on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. New owners in 1856 moved it to the Missouri River, the longest river in the US. The Arabia was 171' long and 54' wide and could carry about 200 tons of cargo and passengers. The Missouri river was very fast flowing and erosion of the banks caused the path of the river to change thereby putting tree stumps into the water. Because of these hazards, pilots who knew the local hazards were used. On a routine trip from St. Louis to Omaha, the pilot was looking into the setting sun, missed seeing a tree stump which tore a hole in the boat, which then sank rapidly near Parkville, just north-west of Kansas City. All 130 passengers, which included women and children, were saved and the only casualty was a mule which was tied up and forgotten in the panic. Attempts to salvage the cargo were made in subsequent years, one in 1877 and another in 1897, but all failed. The erosion of the banks caused the river to move about 800 m to the east. In 1987, Bob Hawley and sons Greg and David started researching the probable site of the wreck and used a magnetometer to find it in the middle of a cornfield. The landowner agreed to let them excavate there provided they started after the harvest and finished before spring planting and would take 15% of the proceeds of the findings. Work started in November 1988, using a large excavator, other machinery, and 20 water pumps and generators to pump away the water from the high water table in the area. Because of the time constraints, they installed floodlights and worked round the clock. The Arabia was about 45 feet below the ground. By early December 1988, they found dishes. After finding many other artifacts, the pumps were turned off in February 1989. The wooden structure of the Arabia was left in the ground, and the land filled back in. In 1991, a museum was built in the old Market Place of Kansas City and the artifacts were put on display.

Toledo was our destination in October and we stayed at the Maumee Bay Lodge and Conference Centre, in Oregon, just east of Toledo. After breakfast, we toured the National Museum of the Great Lakes in Toledo. This museum described many wrecks that have occurred in the Lakes, and the various safety measures used to prevent them. The formation of the Lakes was shown and the various ships and cargos with their ports were well described. Some members toured the Col. James M. Schoonmaker, a former Great Lakes freighter, which is docked at the museum. This was followed by lunch was at the Oliver House, and after lunch, we were given a tour of the House. This former hotel was commissioned by Major William Oliver and opened in 1859. This 171 room hotel was the

finest in Toledo, but by the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century it was reduced to a rooming house. Today, it houses multiple restaurants and meeting rooms, small offices, and the Maumee Brewing Company.

November found us in the Serbian Centre where we were treated to a fashion show of costumes of the former Yugoslavia. The speaker told how the costumes showed the status of the bride. Her costume had embroidered ears of wheat to indicate the bride's fertility. Other symbols had significance regarding the area. Necklaces were often of coins which was the dowry. Her costume was from the 1900s in the Central Serbian region. The next costume was from the mountainous area near Bosnia where mining was a large industry. This costume was much simpler. Further costumes were from SE Serbia and from East Central Serbia near Romania. The influence of the Ottoman Empire was shown in a costume with pants of Turkish style. Finally, there was a costume from the Serbian valley area where vegetable farming was carried out. After the costume display, we were given a demonstration of various folk dances and dance steps from the different regions.

The year ended with an appropriate presentation by Judy and Ernie Tenzer on Christmas Customs and Traditions. Judy told us about many of the German traditions of the season. The Advent Calendar is the first preparation for the Christmas season. The Advent Wreath is another German tradition, where an evergreen wreath is placed on the dining room table four Sundays before Christmas. The Christmas tree is only revealed on Christmas Eve. Saint Nikolaus Day is celebrated on December 6<sup>th</sup>. Children put freshly polished boots outside their bedroom doors on the previous night. Overnight, Nikolaus and his assistant, Knecht Ruprecht, leave small presents in the boots. More than 2500 German cities have a Christmas Market in their centre during Advent as does Kitchener. Food and Christmas Crafts are on sale. A variety of decorations are placed on the tree, and there is a special place for wooden carved angels and other decorations which come from the Erzgebirge (Ore Mountain) region of Germany near the Czech border. Tinsel comes from the legend that a spider web turned into silver on Christmas morning. The typical German meal is of duck, goose, rabbit or a roast. This main dish is accompanied by German delicacies such as apple and sausage stuffing, red cabbage and potato dumplings. The dessert is often Stollen, considered one of the best Christmas pastries in the world! A great program to prepare us for the Christmas Season.



Serbian  
costume

By Brian Atkinson

### The Ontario Past Presidents Society

On September 18, 2018, 26 OPPS members learned why Colonel Thomas Talbot decided to drop 20 Irish settlers into the French Assumption Parish in 1824 from guest speaker Rosemary Halford when she addressed the OPPS luncheon at Lilly Kazzilly's. Talbot's plan was a wise one and led to the formation of present day Maidstone.

As the Ontario Questers will be very busy this Spring hosting the International Convention at Caesars Windsor, the next OPPS luncheon will not take place until September.

*Submitted by O.P.P.S. Chair, Lynn Teahan*

### South West Ontario Heritage Council (SWOHC)

On Friday January 12, 2019, Bev and Don Cyr and I attended the South Western Ontario Heritage Meeting at the Leddy Library at the University of Windsor. We had a presentation from Librarian Katharine Ball on the South Western Ontario Digital Archives which house photographs, journals, documents, and newspapers from the early 1800's to 1960, but not later because of copyright laws.

The meetings for the year are set and are listed on page 11. Anyone who is a Quester is always welcome.

*Submitted by Melissa Morris-French*

# ONTARIO QUESTERS

## ATTENTION CHAPTER TREASURERS

It is time to collect the 2019/2020 dues for your chapter. The dues are \$35.00 in Canadian funds per member. Send chapter cheque, payable to **The Ontario Provincial Organization of The Questers** and include:

1. A list of all paid members, on the Official Form as instructed from Headquarters. Please indicate: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
2. A list of 2019/2020 members' addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses.

PLEASE SEND BEFORE MAY 1, 2019

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Windsor, ON, N9G 1J1

## FUTURE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

April 30-May 2, 2019  
Caesar's Windsor  
Windsor, Ontario

May 1-3, 2020  
Omni Interlocken Resort  
Broomfield, Colorado

May 14-16, 2021  
Best Western Ramkota  
Hotel Rapid City  
South Dakota

## SWOHC

The Ontario Questers are members of "The South-Western Ontario Heritage Council".

Meetings begin at 9:30am, featuring a speaker, followed by a tour of the host facility.

Please call Melissa Morris-French, 519-981-0353, or e-mail to [presidentontarioquesters@gmail.com](mailto:presidentontarioquesters@gmail.com) for meeting details.

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April 26, 2019 The Questers  
Hosting at Museum Windsor to  
show the Questers Collect Exhibit

July 12, 2019 The Steam & Gas  
Museum, McGregor

October 18, 2019 The Marsh  
Collection, Amherstburg

## QUESTER FUNDRAISING PROJECTS

Quester International By-Laws, Article XIX, Section 7A states:

"Chapters in Chartered States/Provinces which solicit support from other chapters or from the public for preservation and/or restoration projects must obtain prior written approval for each scheduled fund-raiser and each specific preservation and restoration project from the State/Provincial Executive Board."

Just a reminder that anytime your chapter has a fundraiser, which solicits money from a person who is not a member of your chapter, you must receive prior approval from the Ontario Provincial Executive Board. The board would like to support your project and help promote it.

## What is the International Grant Fund?

The International Grant Fund makes P&R funds available to individual chapters throughout the organization to assist in P&R projects at the local level. All Quester chapters can apply - (obtain a copy from the International P&R chairman). Grants are awarded in even numbered years at the International Convention.

## How Does the Provincial Organization Award P&R Funds?

The Ontario Provincial Organization has established a two-phased P&R programme. In the even-numbered years, the Provincial Executive Board will (upon the recommendation of the P&R Committee) select one worthy project within Ontario for a P&R grant. In the odd-numbered years, chapters may apply for a provincial grant to assist them in their individual P&R projects (deadline June 1<sup>st</sup>). Application Forms are available from the Provincial P&R Chairman. Both grants are awarded at the Annual Provincial Convention in the Fall.

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## 2019 QUESTER CALENDAR

JANUARY 2019	FEBRUARY 2019	MARCH 2019
<p><b>Jan 15<sup>th</sup></b> - Deadline for Spring Issue of Maple Leaflet submissions. Send To: The Maple Leaflet Editor the_maple_leaflet@hotmail.com</p> <p><b>Jan 15<sup>th</sup></b> - International ballot mailed</p>	<p><b>Feb. 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for Quester Quarterly Spring issue submissions</p> <p>Register for International Convention, Caesars, Windsor</p>	<p><b>March 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Postmark deadline for Founders Award entry</p> <p><b>March 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Chapter dues and membership forms mailed from Headquarters</p> <p><b>March 15<sup>th</sup></b> - Postmark deadline for International ballot</p> <p><b>March 15<sup>th</sup></b> - Postmark deadline for Provincial Officers' Election</p>
APRIL 2019	MAY 2019	JUNE 2019
<p><b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for Chapter Presidents' Reports to Ontario Provincial President</p> <p><b>April 1<sup>st</sup></b> - <u>Chapter Treasurers</u> - Collect annual dues this month and send to Provincial Treasurer</p> <p><b>April 30<sup>th</sup> - May 2<sup>nd</sup></b> - International Convention, Caesars, Windsor</p>	<p><b>May 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for chapter membership dues</p> <p><b>May 23<sup>rd</sup></b> - Ontario Spring Council LOCATION: St. Nicholas Macedonian Hall, 5225 Howard Ave., LaSalle</p>	<p><b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b> – Deadline for Chapter P&amp;R Grant Applications</p> <p><b>June 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for Quester Quarterly Summer issue submissions</p>
JULY 2019	AUGUST 2019	SEPTEMBER 2019
<p><b>July 15<sup>th</sup></b> - Deadline for Fall Maple Leaflet submissions to be sent to: The Maple Leaflet Editor the_maple_leaflet@hotmail.com</p>	<p><b>August 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for Quester Quarterly Fall submissions</p>	<p><b>September 4<sup>th</sup></b> - Chapter Officers Workshop Registration: 9:30 am Meeting: 10:00 am Location: Riverside United Church Lunch provided. Executive Board Meeting at 1 pm</p>
OCTOBER 2019	NOVEMBER 2019	DECEMBER 2019
<p><b>October 1<sup>st</sup></b> - Deadline for Quester Quarterly Winter issue submissions</p> <p><b>October</b> Ontario Fall Convention Place and Date TBA</p>		<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>Registration form on line for <b>INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION</b> – May 2020 Omni Interlocken Resort, Broomfield, Colorado</p>