Annual Report

Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre

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Les Amis du Centre du patrimoine de la G.R.C.

Rapport annuel



Tom Light, O.605 September 14, 1929 – November 25, 2014



John Worthington, Regimental #21011 August 5, 1940 – January 18, 2015



Tony Brezinski, Regimental #18373 February 28, 1935 – January 23, 2015

The Friends Group

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The *Friends* Group is a non-profit national organization dedicated to the enhancement of the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre; founded by the Regina Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association. As a member of this group you will support and promote the group objectives of:

- 1. To promote the interests of the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre with special reference to the educational function;
- 2. To assist the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre in publicizing their activities;
- 3. To bring to the assistance of the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre on a voluntary basis, the talents and the abilities of the public at large;
- 4. To encourage and support research into the study of the History of the RCMP;
- 5. To undertake such other activities as from time to time may be deemed appropriate by the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre.

Note: The registered name of the Heritage Centre is "Mounted Police Heritage Centre", and the registered name of the *Friends* is *Friends of the Mounted Police Museum*, but as noted throughout the report, we use other names as trade names for reporting purposes, advertising, and promotions, etc.

On the cover:

Thomas Meredith Light, a Member of the Friends' Board of Directors from 1993 to 1998 and the President from 1999 to 2007;

John Leslie Duncan Worthington, a Member of the Friends' Board of Directors from 2009 until his passing on January 18, 2015, and a Member of the Board of Directors of the RCMP Heritage Centre from 2007 until May of 2014; and,

Antoni Elias (Tony) Brezinski, a Member of the Friends' Board of Directors from 1997 to 1999.

Photos by Kenn Barker



The President's Report

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Again it is my pleasure as President of the *Friends of the Mount Police Heritage Centre* to present the 2014 President's Report.

Our core function is to do all we can to support programming, education and historical collections at the RCMP Heritage Centre, thus enabling it to carry on the vision of commemoration and sharing the story of the RCMP to the world. 2014 marks a quarter of a century that we have worked towards this end, past and current members.

With this is mind, it is with sadness I report the loss of individuals who led the way and/or played key roles for us. Tom Light, who served as President of the *Friends* for eight years; John Worthington who served for many years on the Boards of both the Heritage Centre and the *Friends*; and Tony Brezinski a past Director of the *Friends*. Our thoughts and prayers go out to their families.

This past year proved to be interesting and challenging. We saw an increase in our overall revenue which can be attributed to two key areas. First, we were able to finally get our cheque insert/mail out campaign done in the last quarter of the year which resulted in more than 300 new members of the *Friends*. I welcome each of you to our family. The second contributing factor was a significant increase in the Cadet Troop load for 2014. Increased cadet usage of the washers and dryers in the dorm buildings resulted in a substantial increase in revenue for us.

Mosaic made a substantial donation to the Heritage Centre and included therein was a unique challenge to the *Friends*. Mosaic is prepared to match the *Friends*' contribution to the Heritage Centre over a five year period to a total of \$220,000.00. The limit set for 2014 was \$35,000. We rose to and exceeded that amount. For 2015, Mosaic has set their matching contribution target to be \$50,000.00. With your continued support and efforts we are confident to reach that milestone

To qualify as a Life Member an individual had to have made an overall contribution \$1,200.00 to the *Friends*. This year we were pleased to welcome 27 new Life Members.

As members of the *Friends* and if not yet done so, I encourage you to consider becoming involved in activities at the Heritage Centre. I also ask you to reach out to your immediate circle of friends. Those who may be looking to support a not-for-profit organization or charity in your communities. Have them look to the Heritage Centre, either directly or through the *Friends*, as their primary area of interest. We are always looking for support and volunteers.

In closing I wish to again recognize the strong working relationship and partnership between Heritage Centre employees, those who work in Historical Collections and the *Friends*. Together we make a strong, formidable team that can rise to any challenge.

Bob Smart, President

RCMP Heritage Centre Report – 2014 in Review

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In last year's report, I asked you to "*stay tuned*" for some exciting announcements in 2014. That first announcement came with the very generous donation of \$1,000,000 from The Mosaic Company at a major media event in April. The Mosaic gift is designed to help us "grow the experience" in on-site programming and community outreach.

Included in this major donation was a very unique component we like to call the "Mosaic Challenge"; the setting aside of \$220,000, to be drawn down annually over five years, matching dollar for dollar (to a set but increasing maximum) what the *Friends* project to donate to our cause in each of those years. The *Friends* have met the maximum to date, and have actually exceeded adding significant value to their contribution. The Mosaic challenge not only benefits us right now, it also serves as a tangible testament to a quarter century of uninterrupted financial and volunteer support provided by the *Friends*.

Right on the heels of that announcement, and in conjunction with the Force's birthday in May, the Regina Hotel Association (RHA) announced their \$95,000 sponsorship of the new "People Movers" or electric trams we unveiled that day. These environmentally friendly vehicles, sometimes referred to as golf carts on steroids, enabled us to further "enhance the experience" by touring people through the grounds here at the home of the Mounted Police, comfortably, effectively and efficiently. The People Movers have proven to be a popular and much appreciated option to the standard walking tours.

In May we also formally recognized and expressed our gratitude to Mosaic and the RHA for their valuable contributions, as well as eleven other donors, with the unveiling of granite plaques on our "Donor Wall" in the Regimental Lobby. The list of recognized Donors included a nice mix of public and private entities as well as individuals contributing \$5,000 or more directly to the Heritage Centre. We were thrilled to have Commissioner Bev Busson (Retired), on hand to help honour those who support us so generously.

Commissioner Busson, who was a member of Troop 17, 74/75, the first female Troop, also honoured us by officially opening our feature exhibit celebrating "40 Years of Women in the RCMP". This interesting display ran through the busy tourist season and was followed by an exhibit developed by the Nikkei National Museum, titled "A Call for Justice" which opened at the Heritage Centre in October. The RCMP Heritage Centre was the first organization to host this exhibit after the inaugural showing at its home base in British Columbia. We were honoured to partner with the Regina Japanese Canadian Club, making Regina the first city to host this travelling exhibition. In December we extended its stay for an additional three months, until the end of March 2015.

We also hosted the simple but powerful "Faceless Dolls" exhibit, originally created by the Native Women's Association of Canada and recreated by KidsFirst Regina who we partnered with to help increase awareness of the 1,281 missing and murdered aboriginal women in Canada. Our total admissions grew 14% over the previous year with a significant increase in school and group visitations.

Our regular school programming continued to grow again this past year in response to our improvements and additions. We hired extra summer students to assist with our new "people mover" driving tours as well as the walking tours. We also brought on two students to look after and ride (wearing replica NWMP uniforms) the two retired musical ride horses stabled at "Depot". They participated in additional community outreach events and parades, including the North American Indigenous Games opening ceremonies and the WWI commemoration ceremonies at the War memorial located at the Saskatchewan Legislature.

Our Arctic Adventures program in February has continued to attract more and more people and for the first time we brought on a sponsor, Cabela's. Our Heritage Christmas program this year saw the largest turnout for a single day event since the Heritage Centre opened on May 23, 2007, with well over 700 people in attendance. We are unsure if the increased traffic was because of the visit by Mrs. Claus or the free reindeer pancakes.

The "Play for Peace" program sponsored by Scotiabank saw its largest attendance since it was implemented in 2011. Our 2nd annual "Rough Rider to Roughrider" Regimental Dinner more than doubled in size in 2014, requiring a move to the Drill Hall at "Depot". It was very successful and we were excited to have Mosaic take on the role of presenting sponsor, in addition to their big gift.

Retail sales are bucking the national trend, improving year over year at both the "Depot" Trading Post and the Central Trading Post gift store at the Centre. Once again we were awarded with a 4.5 rating from Trip Advisor. Our fans on Twitter have grown 39% over last year and Facebook followers grew by 14%.

Overall 2014 was a very good year for us as we continue to "grow the experience". That does not mean we are content but it does mean we are moving forward and growing.

We are growing, in no small way because we have a great story to share, a good product we can improve upon, a growing and expanding base of generous sponsors and donors who are interested in helping us share this unique Canadian story.

Finally, we are succeeding thanks to you, our volunteers and members of the *Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre*. Your generous contributions of time, talent, and treasures are really the core of what makes the Heritage Centre work and the effort worthwhile.

The Tradition Lives Here.

A.E. Nicholson CEO RCMP Heritage Centre



From the Managers' Desk – RCMP Historical Collections Unit 2014 Report

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We would again like to acknowledge the very important role the *Friends* play in the preservation and protection of our story as supporters of the RCMP's Historical Collection.

2014 has been a relatively quiet year in terms of reaching out to the *Friends* for assistance. Our feature gallery exhibit "40 years of Women in the Force" did not require a financial contribution. The work was performed in-house with existing resources and materials. Our work on the new 'Musical Ride Exhibit' has been financed through a sponsorship deal negotiated by the RCMP Heritage Centre.

The Unit received several new donations in 2014. They include printed media, paintings, photographs, and tactile items. The collection of new donations, and the costs associated, has been managed from within the Unit's own budget. On the horizon for 2015 though, is the partial refurbishing of the 1967 Cadillac which has been stored on the Depot grounds for the past 20 plus years. This custom vehicle is armour plated and has bullet proof glass. It was purchased by the RCMP to provide protective services for visiting dignitaries and Canada's Prime Minister. Eventually it was rotated out of operational service and acquired by the RCMP Museum. It is our hope to have this unique re-painted vehicle placed on display within the Heritage Centre gallery. The *Friends* have offered to pay for this work and the process is ongoing.

Two very significant events occurred in the Unit in 2014. The first was the retirement of Wendy Kraushaar from her position as the Historical Collections Assistant. Wendy enjoyed 25 years with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Depot Division. She now contributes to the success of the Heritage Centre in her part time role as Coordinator of Volunteers. We have hired Thelma Brown as the new Assistant. Thelma comes to us from "F" Division. Secondly Rhonda Lamb, the substantive Manager of the Historical Collections Unit (HCU), is taking leave to deal with a serious medical concern. This has provided me with a terrific opportunity to work in the Unit. I thank the employees of the HCU, the staff of the Heritage Centre, and the *Friends* for making my experience here exciting and informative.

We are extremely grateful to the *Friends* for their ongoing support of the Collection and the work that we are doing to preserve and care for the RCMP's history. It is greatly appreciated by the Force overall and by our Unit in particular. Thank you for your generosity and support.

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Martin Castle A/Manager, RCMP Historical Collections Unit

Twenty-Fourth Annual General Meeting

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The Twenty Fourth Annual General Meeting (AGM) of *The Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre* was held in Regina, Saskatchewan, on Wednesday March 26th, 2014, in the Heritage Room at the Heritage Centre. The meeting started at 6:10 PM.

Fifty persons were in attendance at the meeting, and the President was in possession of 401 proxy votes.

Regrets were received from the Commissioner; Assistant Commissioner Butterworth-Carr, C.O."F" Division, and Jean Freeman, long-time member of the *Friends*, and actress with "Corner Gas".

President Bob Smart welcomed all guests, particularly Assistant Commissioner Louise LaFrance, C.O. "Depot" Division; C/Supt.Kevin Jones, representing C.O. "F" Division; Al Nicholson, CEO RCMP Heritage Centre; staff members of the Heritage Centre; and other honoured guests – Jean Thue, widow of Ivan Thue, one of our founding members; Malcolm Wake, former curator of the museum, and a founding member of the *Friends*; Doreen Light, wife of Tom Light, past president; Murray Grant and Willem de Lint, long-time members and regular attendees; Jim Sutherland of Winnipeg, a member of the *Friends* who travelled to Regina to attend this meeting; Steve Smedley, Director, who is leaving the Board this year, but who will continue with his "cheque insert" project; and Lorna Loftus, perennial best volunteer at the Heritage Centre.

President Bob called on Al Nicholson, CEO of the Heritage Centre; Rhonda Lamb, Manager of the Historical Collections Unit; and Barrie Nowell, Editor of the *Friendly Notes* and Annual Report. Al gave a brief, but quite comprehensive report on the activities of the Heritage Centre during the year, and the many upcoming events planned for the near future. Of particular importance was his success in bringing some financial stability to the operation, particularly with the City of Regina, the Province of Saskatchewan, and the federal government, and the RCMP, stepping up with financial support. He mentioned several announcements that will be forthcoming in May 2014, and commented on the "matching program" with Mosaic company. Al also mentioned the corporate membership program which hopefully, will attract members and memberships. Rhonda thanked the *Friends* for six years of assistance, particularly mentioning, the refurbishing of the painting "Beyond the Law", financed by the *Friends*, and the purchase of the George Hunter collection of photographs along the MacKenzie River in the early 1920s. Barrie reviewed the recent quarterly newsletters, and annual report.

Motion/S/C Bill Greenslade/Barrie Nowell – That we accept the Board of Directors report.

Motion/S/C Bob Mills/Malcolm Wake – That we accept the financial report.

Motion/S/C Marj Ostrum/Tex Shearer – That we have Select Bookkeeping as our auditor for 2014.

Motion/S/C Steve Smedley/Pat Smith – That we confirm Directors as follows: 3 years – Barker, Greenslade and Nowell; for 2 years – Cocks, Klatt, Ostrum, and Worthington.

Presentation of Life Membership plaques and pins were made to Ted and Lois Andrew and to Tex and Bernice Shearer.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM on a motion by Kenn Barker.

President Bob invited everyone to partake of dinner (prepared by Division Mess) and refreshments.

Ron Ostrum, Secretary

Board of Directors – 2014

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The following persons served on the *Friends* Board of Directors in 2014:

President - Bob Smart
Past President - Bill Greenslade
Secretary - Ron Ostrum
Directors - Kenn Barker

Bob CocksMurray KlattBarrie Nowell

Force Observer - John Worthington
- Superintendent Gerry Gourlay

RCMP Historical Collections Unit Observer - Rhonda Lamb RCMP Heritage Centre Observer - Al Nicholson



Individuals in the above photo, back row, left to right: Superintendent Gerry Gourlay, Observer on the Board representing the RCMP; Bill Greenslade, Immediate Past President and Director; Barrie Nowell, Director; Al Nicholson, Observer on the Board representing the RCMP Heritage Centre; Bob Cocks, Director; and Ron Ostrum, Secretary.

Front row, left to right: Bob Smart, President; Rhonda Lamb, Observer on the Board representing the RCMP Historical Collections Unit; Louise LaFrance, Assistant Commissioner, C.O. "Depot" Division; Chief Superintendent Kevin Jones, representing C.O. "F" Division; and Kenn Barker, Director.

Missing from the photo: John Worthington, Director.

Farewell to Tom Light

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Retired Chief Superintendent Tom Light, Regimental #O.605, passed away in Regina on November 25, 2014.

Tom joined the Force in 1948 at the age of 19. Most of his 35 years of service was in "F" Division (Saskatchewan) or "D" Division (Manitoba). He was commissioned in 1966 and transferred to "D" Division as Staffing Officer for 3 years and then as Detective Inspector for 4.

Tom returned to "F" Division where he served as Officer Commanding Saskatoon Sub-Division; Officer Commanding Prince Albert Sub-Division; and, finally C.I.B. Officer at "F" Division HQ in Regina. He retired in 1983 with the rank of Chief Superintendent.



Tom Light, Regimental #0.605. Photo by Kenn Barker.

Tom joined the *Friends* in 1993, serving as a Director until March 1999 when he was appointed President of the Board. On December 31, 2007, Tom suffered a stroke and resigned his post.

The *Friends* was Tom's passion and many major accomplishments occurred during his time on the Board. As President, Tom, was the guiding force and an active participant in

the planning and design of the new Heritage Centre, the transfer of horse program and gift shop operations to the Centre, and the *Friends*' move from the museum to the new facility.

Tom was an avid fisherman, hunter of geese, pheasants, and upland game, and built his summer cottage on Nemeiben Lake, an isolated lake some 40 miles north of La Ronge, SK (accessible only by boat).

As well as a man of accomplishment, Tom was a man of impeccable integrity and honesty. He will always be remembered, and will be truly missed.

The Passing of John Worthington

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Retired S/Sgt. John Worthington, Regimental #21011, passed away on January 18, 2015 in Regina.

John was born at Timmins, Ontario and raised on a farm at R.R.#1 Oakville, Ontario. After finishing High School, he joined the RCMP on July 16, 1959 in Toronto, Ontario and was posted to "N" Division in Ottawa, Ontario for basic training. Upon graduation in May of 1960, he was posted as a percussionist to the Regimental Band of the RCMP in Ottawa. He remained and played with the Band touring Ontario, Eastern and Western Canada twice, as well as the Eastern U.S. States as far south as Boston. In September of 1964 he was transferred to North Battleford, SK, to General Police Duties. Later in December of 1964 he was transferred to Lloydminster, SK, on to City Detachment where he remained for 2½ years until moving on to Rural Detachment and Highway Patrol. His marriage to Judy who he met when she was employed by the CIB Branch for the Force in Ottawa, took place in Ottawa



John Worthington, Regimental #21011. Photo by Kenn Barker.

in June of 1965. In June of 1969 he and his family were transferred to Cumberland House Detachment where he was the N.C.O. I/C.

In June of 1971, John and his family were transferred to Regina, SK where he became the Federal Coordinator of the Migratory Bird and Small Vessel Regulations Section, for the Province of Saskatchewan. In April 1973 he was transferred to Regina Sub-Division as the NCO in Charge of Regina Custom and Excise Section for Enforcement in Southern Saskatchewan. In May of 1976 he was transferred to Regina GI Section and in June of 1976 was promoted to the rank of Sgt. In July 1978 he was promoted to the rank of S/Sgt. after having been temporarily transferred to "F" Division Headquarters, as the Assistant Security Coordinator for the Royal Visit to the Province in that year. At the completion of the Royal Visit he was transferred to a newly opened section in Saskatchewan as the NCO I/C of the Internal Investigations Unit for the Province, in Regina. He remained within that Unit until resigning to pension from the Force in late July of 1981, accepting a management position with Saskatchewan Government Insurance Corporation in Regina, SK, as their Senior Insurance Fraud Investigator. He remained with that Corporation and in that position for 19 years, until retiring to pension in late July of 2000.

John became a Director on the *Friends*' Board in 2009 and remained on the Board until his passing. John also served on the Board of Directors of the RCMP Heritage Centre from 2007 until May of 2014. John was a talented musician and a lover of the history of the Force, serving as a docent at the Heritage Centre guiding many visitors through and explaining the many artifacts and exhibits.

John will be forever remembered and will be sadly missed.

Remembering Tony Brezinski

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Deepest sympathy goes out to the family of Tony Brezinski, Regimental #18373. Tony passed away suddenly on January 23, 2015 in Weslaco, Texas, where he and his wife, Collen, have spent the last 17 winters.

Tony served on the *Friends* 'Board of Directors from 1997 to 1999.

After serving 25 years in the RCMP, retiring as Sergeant, Tony then went on to be the Manager of Loss Prevention for Western Canada for Sears Canada.

Tony was an exceptional person: a man of profound integrity, faith, tireless energy and compassion for his worldwide community along with a love and dedication for all of his family. In retirement, Tony was epitome of a true volunteer: he shared his passion for people through endless charitable work



Tony Brezinski, Regimental #18373. Photo by Kenn Barker.

with the Lions Club, CNIB, RCMP Veterans, *Friends* of the RCMP Heritage Centre, and his church. Tony received many accolades and recognitions for his service including the Governor General's Caring Canadian Award, RCMP Veteran Association Life Membership, Saskatchewan Centennial Volunteerism Award, Lion's Club Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, and the Lion's Foundation of Canada Fellowship Award. Although the awards were appreciated, they were never why Tony gave so much of himself. Tony simply loved life, people, and his environment and wanted to leave it happier and healthier than how he had found it.

One of Tony's great passions was sharing the gift of fellowship through music with family, friends and countless strangers that heard him play at nursing homes, festivals, music jamborees, dances and backyards, both in Canada and in Texas.

Tony will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

Financial Contributions to the RCMP Heritage Centre and to the RCMP Historical Collections Unit.

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The purpose of the *Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre* is to assist and promote the RCMP Historical Collections Unit and the RCMP Heritage Centre.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE RCMP CENTENNIAL MUSEUM

1990-2006 Approximately \$950,000.00 – \$1,000,000 (Recorded in the various Annual Reports)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO THE MOUNTED POLICE HERITAGE CENTRE/ RCMP HISTORICAL COLLECTIONS UNIT: 2007 -2011 INCLUSIVE:

Recorded in the Annual Reports \$1,333,446.10

Donations to RCMP Heritage Centre for 2012:	
May 26, 2012 – Cash grant	\$15,000.00
May 2012 – Signs & Frames	
Nov 29, 2012 – Christmas decorations	
Dec 2012 – Volunteer Dinner (Joes Deli)	
Dec 20, 2012 – Cash Grant	\$40,000.00
Dec 20, 2012 – Coffee grant (2013)	\$800.00
TOTAL	\$61,498.81
Donations to the RCMP Historical Collections Unit for 2012	
Jan 27, 2012 – Robert Wright – Appraisal (Constantine)	\$ 678.00
Feb 23, 2012 – Grimshaw Appraisal (Constantine)	
May 10, 2012 – Camaro renewal	\$11,677.49
Dec 2012 – Painting "Beyond the Law" refurbish	\$7,350.00
TOTAL	\$20,016.82
Total contributions to Mounted police Heritage Centre and RCMP H Unit in 2012 are \$81,515.63.	istorical Collections
Donations to the RCMP Historical Collections Unit for 2013	
Mar 29,2013 – George Hunter Photos – 25% payment	\$5,171.25
Sept 5, 2013 – George Hunter.	\$15,513.75
TOTAL	\$20,685.50

Donations to RCMP	Heritage Centre 2013
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May 2, 2013 – Purchase table at Roughrider/Rough Rider dinner	\$1,250.00
Dec 2, 2013 – Volunteer dinner	\$2,094.30
Dec 20, 2013	\$10,000.00
TOTAL	\$13,344.30

Total contributions to the Mounted Police Heritage Centre and the RCMP Historical Collections Unit in 2013 is \$34,029.80*

*This is the first year of the Mosaic "matching grant" of \$25,000.00; therefore, the value of our contributions in 2013 really was \$59,029.80.

Donations to RCMP Heritage Centre 2014

Mar 2014 – Share table for Mayors luncheon	\$200.00
Sept 22, 2014 – Table for Roughrider dinner	\$1,050.00
Sept 25, 2014 – Cash grant	. \$35,000.00**
Oct 24, 2014 – Corporate memberships July 1-Sep 30	\$2,500.00
Oct 24, 2014 – Cash grant	\$10,000.00
Nov 26, 2014 – Coffee grant to HC	\$800.00
TOTAL	\$49,550.00

**This is the 2nd year of our Mosaic "matching grants", therefore the value of our \$35,000.00 is doubled, and the total value of our contributions amounts to \$84,550.00

Total contributions to Mounted Police Heritage Centre and RCMP Historical Collections Unit in 2014 are \$49,550.00 or \$84,550.00 with Mosaic's matching contribution.



On October 24, 2014, Friends' President Bob Smart presented a cheque for \$35,000 to Al Nicholson, CEO of the RCMP Heritage Centre. The \$35,000 cheque was from money raised through the efforts of the members and volunteers of the Friends. This donation was then matched by Mosaic Company through the RCMP Heritage Centre Matching Program. A big thank you goes out to the members and volunteers of the Friends who have contributed so generously and worked so hard to help generate funds to support the operations of the Heritage Centre.

Membership Report

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The "cheque insert" project mentioned in last year's annual report where Canada Post sent out membership applications to everyone receiving an RCMP pension was successful. Thanks to Director Steve Smedley, as a result, we received 319 new members, and our total membership increased to 1162, and that is after a severe purge of our data base, for delinquent membership renewals, and lost addresses.

Ron Ostrum, Secretary

Canada Day Draw

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The winner of this year's Canada Day Draw was Al Pidt of Eastend, Saskatchewan who was the lucky winner of the *Friends*' July 1st (Canada Day) Draw. Mr. Pidt's name was drawn from the names of all members of the *Friends* and the prize he received was a copy of the book *Behind the Badge – History of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police "Depot" Division*. Every year, around July 1st, a random draw is made from all paid up members of the *Friends*, and the winner is presented with a gift.

Friendly Notes

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The first issue of *Friendly Notes* newsletter was published in the fall of 1991 and has been published quarterly ever since.

More and more members are taking advantage of receiving the *Friendly Notes* electronically. The benefits of this include: convenient and timely access to the *Friendly Notes* – you receive the *Friendly Notes* a week to ten days earlier; environmentally friendly; and, reduces costs of printing and mailing.

In Memoriam

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We continue to receive "In Memoriam" donations from across Canada, particularly the New Brunswick RCMP Veterans Association, and the Ladies Auxiliary of the Regina Division of the Veterans Association, and from Lt. Col John T. Minarik, of Scarborough, ON. In Memoriam donations of \$100.00 or more are recorded on our electronic donor wall.

Past President's of the Friends

1989	Ivan Thue	1998	Kenn Barker	2007	Tom Light
1990	Ivan Thue	1999	Tom Light	2008	Bill Greenslade
1991	Ken Campbell	2000	Tom Light	2009	Bill Greenslade
1992	Dick Crawford	2001	Tom Light	2010	Bill Greenslade
1993	Ivan Thue	2002	Tom Light	2011	Bill Greenslade
1994	Ivan Thue	2003	Tom Light	2012	Bill Greenslade
1995	Kenn Barker	2004	Tom Light	2013	Bob Smart
1996	Kenn Barker	2005	Tom Light	2014	Bob Smart
1997	Kenn Barker	2006	Tom Light		

Life Members

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Appointment to Life Membership is made only after careful consideration and approved by the Board of Directors. Although no particular criteria have been established, it is usually the result of significant financial contribution to the *Friends*. A very attractive plaque has been designed for presentation to Life Members as well as a very nice Life Member lapel pin.

The late Ted and Lois Andrew, Regina, SK

Ed and Helen Ard, West Kelowna, BC

B. H. M. (Harry) Armstrong, Ottawa, ON (Deceased)

Irene J. Asbil, Rawdon, PQ (Deceased)

Beth Babcock, Regina, SK

Kenn and Reta Barker, Regina, SK

E. S. W. Batty, Surrey, BC (Deceased)

R. C. (Bob) Bannister, Yorkton, SK (Deceased)

Nolan and Dorothy Baynes, Victoria, BC

Bruce Beaudreau, Langley, BC

David and Amelia Beiersdorfer, Victoria, BC

D/Commissioner Roy Berlinguette (Rtd.) and Jean, Navan, ON

Lynda and Bob Belter, Campbell River, BC

Don Black, Regina, SK

Irene F. Black, Grande Prairie, AB

Dr. Jack Boan, Regina, SK

Deputy Commissioner Harper (Rtd.) and Rose Ann Boucher, Deer Valley, SK

Richard Boucher and Monika Zoltowska, Montreal, PQ

Dr. Miloslav and Inez Bozdech, Red Deer, AB

W. H. M. (Bill) Brace, Clandeboye, MB (Deceased)

June E. Bradley, Saskatoon, SK

Deputy Commissioner G. B. (Gerry) Braun (Rtd.), Tappen, BC

Adrienne Brezovski, Ottawa, Ontario

James P. Brown, Orleans, ON

Ian and Shirley Brownlee, Calgary, AB

The late Tony and Colleen Brezinski, Regina, SK

Alma C. Burnett, Kelowna, BC

Don Campbell (Watrous Mainline Motor Products Ltd), Watrous, SK

Daniel and Marion Carroll, Ottawa, ON

George and Fran Cass, Winnipeg, MB

David Cathcart, North Vancouver, BC

Fernand Charron, Lachute, PQ

Mel and Betty Cheavins, Yorkton, SK

Ching Dong Wong, Calgary, AB

P. Bryce Christensen, Lyman, WY, USA

Mike and Audrey Clegg, Nanaimo, BC

Bob and Yvonne Cocks, Regina, SK

Darlene and Wayne Collins, Edmonton, AB

James and Sophie Cooley, Amprior, ON

Antoine and Patricia Couture, Brossard, PQ

Mrs. Anne Dane, North Vancouver, BC

Durward R. R. da Silva and family, La Have, NS

Willem de Lint, Regina, SK

Clare and Vera Dent, Dartmouth, NS

Jack and Arlene deVlaming, Big River, SK

Bill and Betty Doak, Kamloops, BC

Shirley A. Dodds, Regina, SK

George and Gwen Donald, St. Albert, AB

Ben and Barb Duncan, Parksville, BC

Richard M. Dundas, Conception Bay S, NF

Shirley Evans, Kamloops, BC

John and Luba Ewashko, Winnipeg, MB

Ken and Joyce Fader, Regina, SK

Richard A. Floyd, Sherwood Park, AB

Jock and Viola Forbes, Winnipeg, MB

John E. Forsdick, Edmonton, AB

Joe Gallenger, Regina, SK (Deceased)

J. Pat Gannon, Edmonton, AB

Andre and Deborah Gauthier, Kentville, NS

Bob and Mary Gilholme, Surrey, BC

Robert T. Goett, Maple Creek, SK

Ruth E. Gongos, Winnipeg, MB

Ken E. Goodrich, Ottawa, ON

Lloyd and Vivian Gordon, Regina, SK (Deceased)

Supt. Gerry Gourlay (Rtd.) and Darlene, Rivers, MB

The late Royden and Marie Graziano, Surrey, BC

George F. Green Jr., Duluth, MN USA

Sgt. W. R. (Wes) Guymer (Rtd.), Maple Ridge, BC

Ben Gwaltney, Richmond, BC

Alan R. Hammond, Regina, SK

Frank Hart, Regina, SK

Bob and Kae Harvey, Kamsack, SK

Alex and Mary Hawrys, Victoria, BC

Bob and Bev Head, Cochrane, AB

Elizabeth Heidt, Regina, SK

LeRoy Hibert, Genelle, BC

John and Nadia Hodgson, Regina, SK

Ross R. Hogg, Edmonton, AB

Graham W. and Helen W. Hosker, Dearborn, MI USA

Vic Huard, Regina, SK

Mrs. Phyllis Huber, Ottawa, ON

E. E. (Ted) James, Regina, SK (Deceased)

Orla W. Johansen, Richmond, BC

Grace Johnston, Edmonton, AB

G. Norman Jones, Surrey, BC (Deceased)

Brad and Sue Kearns, Kipling, SK

E. D. (Ted) Knowles and Family, High River, AB

Jack Kucherawy, Prince Albert, SK

Stewart and June Langdon, Kamloops, BC

Sam Larmour, Calgary, AB

Willard and Verla Leach, Pickering, ON

Rob and Judy Leatherdale, Okotoks, AB

Jack and Ruth Lee-Knight, Calgary, AB

Margaret A. Leeuw, Edmonton, AB

Boyd C. Lensen, Calgary, AB

Arthur C. Levins, Calgary, AB

Terry and Lucille Lewis, Westbank, BC

Gwen and Lloyd Libke, Cobourg, ON

The late Tom and Doreen Light, Regina, SK

Lorna and the late Bill Loftus, Regina, SK

W.G. (Bill) Logan, Regina, SK (Deceased)

Al Lund, Delta, BC

O. A. (Mac) MacGillivray, Regina, SK (Deceased)

W.A.F. (Bill) MacKay, Regina, SK

Donald B. MacMillan, Stellarton, NS

Doug and Geri Madill, Saskatoon, SK

Ted and Lori Madill, Regina, SK (Deceased)

The late E.J.J. (Ted) and Joy Mahoney

Margret Maidens, Delta, BC

The late Calvin and Alice Mains, Hay River, AB

Bert and Darlene Malfair, Kamloops, BC

Florence Mannix Pallesen, Calgary, AB (Deceased)

The late Stan and Eileen Martin, Regina, SK

Alex and Arlene Matches, Surrey, BC

Wayne K. Mauthe, Unity, SK

Kenneth A. McEwen, Ottawa, ON

Assistant Commissioner Darrell and Ferne McFadyen (Rtd.), Saskatoon, SK

Gabriel McGovern, Dublin, Ireland

Bill and Locksie McLeod, Regina, SK

Helen McMaster, Brantford, ON

Bob and Betty Mills, Regina, SK

Al and Sue Mosher, Saskatoon, SK

Robert Mow, Cochrane, AB

John and Ina Mudge, Penticton, BC

Herb and Anne Muma, Lebret, SK

George and Joan Murphy, Regina, SK

Commissioner J. P. R. Murray (Rtd.), Ottawa, ON

Gordon H. Nesbitt, Courtenay, BC

Al and Jan Nicholson, Regina, SK

Barrie and Pat Nowell, Regina, SK

Kenneth O'Brien, Kanata, ON (Deceased)

Dona and Kevin O'Callaghan, Regina, SK

Ron and Marj Ostrum, Regina, SK

Cst. P. J. M. Pallesen, M. Ed., M. Sc., M. A., Calgary, AB

George and Ellen Parchomchuk, Saskatoon, SK

Bob and Betty Parrell, Regina, SK (Deceased)

Everett and Jessie Paynter, Calgary, AB

Larry Pearson, Weyburn, SK

Larry and Sally Pearson, Red Deer, AB

Bill Pickerill, Penticton, BC (Deceased)

Regis Pollock, Galion, OH, USA

Richard Pound, Montreal, PQ

Bertha and George, Powell, St. John's, NF

Gord and Carolle Prawdzik, Regina, SK

Walter Precourt, Regina, SK (Mosaic Company)

D/Commissioner Larry Proke (Rtd.), Surrey, BC

Jim Prokopanko, Minneapolis, MN, USA (Mosaic Company)

Josh and May Purney, Nanaimo, BC

Raymond and Gilberte Quintal, Orleans, ON

Willard and Nell Ramsay, Winnipeg, MB

Joan (Steele) Ray, Medicine Hat, AB

The late Larry and Marilyn Reddy, Regina, SK

The late Bob and Fran Reid, Burnaby, BC

Frank and Denise Richter, Kelowna, BC

Glen and Marlene Ridgway, Colgate, SK

Doug and Gladys Roberts, St. Catherines, ON

Mel Schulhauser, Beuna Vista, SK (Deceased)

Lawrence I. Scott, Stony Plain, AB

Glen Scrimshaw, Duck Lake, SK

Israel C. Shank, Salt Spring Island, BC (Deceased)

Tex Shearer, Regina, SK

Gloria Silcox, Regina, SK

Thomas and the late Allison Simpson, Delta, BC

Kim Slade, Mallorytown, ON

Patrick W. Smale, Middleton, NS

Robert H. Smith, Collingwood, ON

William J. Smith, Baddeck, NS

Michael and the late Myrna Spurgeon, Regina, SK

The late Ed and Renee Steele, Wymark, SK

Dr. George Stefanik, Tustin, CA USA

Lloyd G. Stewart, Toronto, ON

Alvin Stobbe, Rabbit Lake, SK

Joan Stunden, Ottawa, ON

Ken and Vi Sutherland, Bowsman, MB

Gerry Tetzloff, Sherwood Park, AB

Evelyn Thachik, Creston BC (Deceased)

Dr. Madhao and Mrs. Kusum Thakre, Regina, SK

Elizabeth Thibeault, Ottawa, ON

The late Ivan and Jean Thue, Regina, SK

John Tokarcsik, Regina, SK

Norman and Joanne Thomson, Nipawin, SK

C/Superintendent Lynn Twardosky (Rtd.), North Saanich, BC

Walter Uhryniw, Ottawa, ON (Deceased)

Michael D. Van Kats, Orleans, ON

The late Rita and Tony Wachowicz, Saskatoon, SK

Wai Chiu, Calgary, AB

Malcolm and the late Grace Wake, Regina, SK

R.D.S. Ward, Wetaskiwin, AB

Doug Weber, Redcliff, AB

Frank B. Weeks, Regina, SK (Deceased)

Hal Whetstone, Vancouver, BC

P. Stephan White, Courtenay, BC

W. Verne Williams, Vernon, BC

Doris Wilson, Salmon Arm, BC

Frank Wilson, Watrous, SK

Gail Witherspoon, Red Deer, AB

The late Bob and Helen Wood, Langley, BC

The late John and Judy Worthington, Regina, SK

Allen and Elizabeth Wrenshall, Rideau Ferry, ON

Doug and Beryl Wright, Bedford, NS

Peter and Joan Wright, Delta, BC

Doug Zorn, Meadow Lake, SK

Life Membership Presentations

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During 2014, the following were presented Life Memberships:

The late Ted and Lois Andrew, Regina, SK Dr. Jack Boan, Regina, SK Dr. Miloslav and Inez Bozdech, Red Deer, AB Adrienne Brezovski, Ottawa, Ontario Mike and Audrey Clegg, Nanaimo, BC James and Sophie Cooley, Amprior, ON Shirley Evans, Kamloops, BC Richard A. Floyd, Sherwood Park, AB Andre and Deborah Gauthier, Kentville, NS Supt. Gerry Gourlay, (Rtd.) Hamiota, MB The late Royden and Marie Graziano, Surrey, BC Bert and Darlene Malfair, Kamloops, BC Gabriel McGovern, Dublin, Ireland George and Joan Murphy, Regina, SK Al and Jan Nicholson, Regina, SK Barrie and Pat Nowell, Regina, SK George and Ellen Parchomchuk, Saskatoon, SK Larry and Sally Pearson, Red Deer, AB Walter Precourt, Mosaic Company, Regina, SK Jim Prokopanko, Minneapolis, Minnesota, USA Patrick W. Smale, Middleton, NS Gerry Tetzloff, Sherwood Park, AB Evelyn Thachik, Creston BC (Deceased) Norman and Joanne Thomson, Nipawin, SK R.D.S. Ward, Wetaskiwin, AB

Doug Weber, Redcliff, AB W. Verne Williams, Vernon, BC

Unfortunately photos are not yet available for all of the presentations. Photos that did capture the presentation events prior to and during 2014 are shown on the following pages.

• Mike and Audrey Clegg, Nanaimo, BC

On March 8, 2013, at the regular meeting of the Central Vancouver Island Vets' Association Meeting, President Gary Forbes of Vancouver Island, presented RCMP Veteran Mike Clegg and wife Audrey with a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The presentation is in appreciation of their service and generous contribution over the years. Photo courtesy of Gary Forbes.



• Evelyn Thachik, Creston, BC

On February 28, 2014 on the occasion of her visit to the Creston B.C. Veterans' Meeting, Mrs. Evelyn Thacik was presented with a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin by RCMP Veteran Sgt. P.H. (Hank) Schauerte, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The presentation was in appreciation of her generous contributions and support of the RCMP Heritage Centre and Historical Collections Unit. Photo courtesy of Hank Schauerte.



• W. Verne Williams, Vernon, BC

On April 5, 2014, on the occasion of the Okanagan Division Luncheon in Vernon, B.C., President Neil Collette presented a Life Membership plaque and a Lapel Pin to Veteran Verne Williams, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The presentation is made in appreciation of Neil's support and generous contributions over the years. Photo by Bob Fairhurst.



Patrick W. Smale, Middleton, NS

On May 8, 2014, Middleton Nova Scotia Veterans' Association was the scene of a presentation of a Life Membership Award presented by President Gerry LaPierre, assisted by Co. Director Vic Gorman, to Patrick Smale of Middleton Nova Scotia. The Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin were presented on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre for his generous support over the years. Photo by Sandy Glenn.



• Barrie and Pat Nowell, Regina, SK

On May 23, 2014, the RCMP Heritage Centre was the location of a program hosting "Donor Appreciation Night" sponsored by the RCMP Heritage Centre and the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The occasion recognized and honoured several Regina businesses by President Al Nicholson, for their generous contributions. At the event, Friends' President Bob Smart presented RCMP Veteran Barrie Nowell and wife Patricia with a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pins on behalf of the Friends, in recognition of their generous contributions and long service. Photo by Kenn Barker.



Dr. Jack Boan, Regina, SK

On Sunday, July 27, 2014, a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin was presented to Dr. Jack Boan, Professor Emeritus of the University of Regina, and a contributing member of the Friends. The presentation was made by Barrie Nowell, Editor and Director, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre, for his generous contributions and support. Friends of Dr. Boan in the photo attending the presentation at the Pasqua Hospital in Regina, are, standing left to right, Barrie Nowell, George Mollard, Dr. Harry Clarke, and Murray Grant. Photo courtesy of Murray Grant.



• Larry and Sally Pearson, Red Deer, AB

On the occasion of the Red Deer Veterans' Association September Meeting, President Roy Beaton, presented a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin to Larry and Sally Pearson, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The presentation was in appreciation of their contributions and support of the Friends and the Heritage Centre over the years. Photo by G.L. Smith.



• R.D.S. (Bob) Ward, Wetaskiwin, AB

On September 17, 2014, at the Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta RCMP Veterans' Executive and supper meeting, President Jerry Plastow presented a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pins to Bob Ward, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The award was in recognition of Bob's generous support and contributions over the years. The accompanying photo, left to right, features Bob Ward, Past President Kees Kikkert, and Jerry Plastow, President. Photo courtesy of RCMP Veterans' Association.



Marie Graziano, Surrey, BC

Sheldon Boles and Keith Leishman of Vancouver Division Veterans' Association presented Marie Graziano with a Life Membership Plaque from the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre on November 26, 2014 at her residence in Surrey, B.C. Some quality time was spent reminiscing about the time she and her late husband, Roy, spent in the Force. Keith Leishman (left) is President and Sheldon Boles (right) is Director of Communications & Outreach, Vancouver Division, RCMP Veterans' Association. Photo courtesy of Sheldon Boles.



• Norm and Joanne Thomson, Nipawin, SK

On November 27, 2014, a Life Membership Plaque was presented to Norm and Joanne Thomson on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. The award presented by Bob Hemsworth of the Prince Albert Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association was in recognition of their generous support and contributions over the years. In the photo, viewed from left to right are Joanne Thomson, Norm Thomson, and Bob Hemsworth. Photo by Sharon Curniski.



- Shirley Evans, Kamloops, BC
- A. Bert and Darlene Malfair, Kamloops, BC

On December 7, 2014 at the Kamloops Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association's Christmas Dinner, President John Maheux and Secretary Reid Tait, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre, presented Shirley Evans, Kamloops, and A. Bert and Darlene Malfair, also of Kamloops, Life Membership Plagues and Lapel Pins. The awards were in recognition of their generous support and contributions over the years. In the photograph, left to right are Secretary Reid Tait, Bert Malfair, Darlene Malfair, Shirley Evans, and John Maheux. As part of the presentation, Don Klancher gave a short account of the history of the Heritage Centre. Bert, Darlene and Shirley all responded with being very happy about the reasons for their donations, and encouraged others to become members of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre. Photo by Bob Drost, Kamloops Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association



George and Ellen Parchomchuk, Saskatoon, SK

On December 9, 2014 at the Saskatoon Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association's Christmas Social, President Ted Markus, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre presented George and Ellen Parchomchuk of Saskatoon, a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pins. The presentation was in recognition of George and Ellen's, generous support to the Friends over the years. Photo courtesy of the Saskatoon Division of the RCMP Veterans' Association.



• Adrienne Brezovski, Ottawa, Ontario

On February 3, 2015 Joan Panich (left), Director, Honors & Recognition, RCMP Veterans' Association, Ottawa Division, on behalf of the Friends of the Mounted Police Heritage Centre presented Adrienne Brezovski, Ottawa, Ontario, a Life Membership Plaque and Lapel Pin. The presentation was in recognition of Adrienne's generous support of the Friends. Photo by Graham Muir, RCMP Veterans' Association, Ottawa Division.



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FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE HERITAGE CENTRE

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (unaudited)

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2014

REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To the Directors of FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE MUSEUM

I have reviewed the balance sheet of FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE MUSEUM as at **December 31, 2014** and the statements of income and accumulated surplus for the year then ended. My review was made in accordance with generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted primarily of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to me by the organization.

A review does not constitute an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on these financial statements.

Based on my review, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that these financial statements are not, in all material respects, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Regina, Canada February 23, 2015

> Bob Ursulescu Accountant

FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE MUSEUM

BALANCE SHEET

DECEMBER 31	. 2014	2013
UNAUDITED		
ASSETS		
CURRENT ASSETS Cash and Bank Accounts Receivable	\$ 70,329 16,660 86,989	28,741 5,734 34,475
CAPITAL ASSETS (note 2)	371	529
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 87,360	35,004
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts Payable	\$2,108_	1,643
EQUITY Accumulated Surplus	\$ 85,252 \$ 87,360	33,361 35,004

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FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE MUSEUM

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND ACCUMULATED SURPLUS

YEAR ENDED DECMBER 31	2014	2013
UNAUDITED		
REVENUE		
Memberships and donations	\$ 72,783	35,120
Vending machine commissions	61,263	14,186
	134,046	49,306
EXPENSES		
Honorariums	7,200	7,200
Interest and bank charges	327	271
Postage	4,310	5,199
Professional fees	3,762	6,727
Promotion	4,427	6,199
Supplies and printing	7,327	6,863
Amortization	158_	227
	27,511	32,686
SURPLUS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES BEFORE		
GIFTS TO QUALIFIED DONEES	106,535	16,620
Gifts to qualified donees	54.644	33,651
DEFICIT OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES	51,891	(17,031)
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	33,361_	50,392
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS, END OF YEAR	\$85,252_	33,361_

See accompaning notes

FRIENDS OF THE MOUNTED POLICE MUSEUM

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DECEMBER 31	2014	2013
DECENTION OF	2014	2013

UNAUDITED

1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The organization amortizes its capital assets over their estimated useful lives utilizing the diminishing balance method. The amortization rates used are: Equipment & Furnishings; 30%

2 CAPITAL ASSETS

		Accumulated	Net book	MEL BOOK
	Cost	Amortization	Value	Value
Equipment & Furnishings	\$ 6,428	6,057	371	529

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- 3 The organization is incorporated under the Canada Business Corporations Act and is registered at Revenue Canada as a Public Foundation Charity.
- 4 Being a registered charity, the corporation is not required to pay corporate income taxes.

