



CAGONT Annual Report 2013

In 2013, the Canadian Association of Geographers – Ontario Division (CAGONT) was pleased to hold a Joint Annual Meeting with the East Lakes Division of the Association of American Geographers (ELDAAG). The Department of Geography and Planning at the University of Toledo hosted 154 geographers from October 25-26 in Toledo, Ohio. The CAGONT Executive would like to take this opportunity to thank Patrick Lawrence and his team for hosting a very successful meeting.

The Student Paper and Presentation Awards for CAGONT affiliated students were given to:

- Hannah Hori, University of Toronto Scarborough, \$200, Ph.D. Research Paper
- Jerry Jien, University of Toronto Scarborough, \$200 Ph.D. Paper
- Colleen Middleton, Ryerson University, \$100, Undergraduate Paper
- Amber Silver, University of Waterloo, \$100, Ph.D. Paper Presentation
- Colleen Middleton, Ryerson University, \$100, Masters Paper Presentation

A joint poster competition was held with **Kinson Leung, University of Toronto** - **Scarborough**, being awarded 2nd place and \$50 USD in the graduate poster category.

Full details on the awards are available from: <u>http://www.geography.ryerson.ca/CAGONT/CAGONT2013/index.htm</u>

Outgoing CAGONT President **Marilyne Jollineau**, **Brock University** chaired the CAGONT portion of the joint business meeting. There were some changes on the executive due to terms coming to an end. The current CAGONT Executive consists of:

- Wayne Forsythe, Ryerson University, President
- Peter Kedron, Ryerson University, Vice President
- Marilyne Jollineau, Brock University, Past President
- Tanzina Mohsin, University of Toronto Scarborough, Treasurer
- Dan Harrington, Queen's University, Secretary
- Evan Cleave, University of Western Ontario, Student Representative
- **Steven Tufts, York University**, Representative from the department that will hold the next CAGONT Annual Meeting
- **Bill Gough, University of Toronto Scarborough**, Representative from the department that held the last CAGONT Annual Meeting

CAGONT would like to thank **Bill Crumplin, Laurentian University** (the outgoing Past President) and **Jerry Jien, University of Toronto - Scarborough** (the outgoing Student Representative) for their efforts on behalf of CAGONT.

Bill Crumplin, Laurentian University was the recipient of the 2013 <u>Service to Ontario</u> <u>Geography Award</u>. The citation read:

Dr. William Crumplin (known to everyone as Bill) is an Associate Professor in the Department of Environmental Studies at Laurentian University. He has been a keynote speaker on several occasions presenting links between obesity, urban sprawl and contemporary lifestyles in northern Ontario. More recently he has investigated the ecological impacts of various cultural activities including selected competitive sports and the western meat based diet.

We honour him with the Service to Ontario Geography Award for his significant and lasting contribution to scholarship, teaching and broader service to Geography in Ontario. A university professor since 1992, Bill has been involved in Ontario Geography since 1994 when he took up a position at Algoma University in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario where in addition to teaching, he also served as Registrar from 1998 to 2001.

He was instrumental in organizing the CAGONT 2007 conference at Laurentian and served as the President of the Canadian Association of Geographers - Ontario Division (CAGONT) from 2004 to 2010. He is currently the CAGONT Past President and has been in that role since 2010. Today marks the end of his term and it is appropriate that we honour him with the Service to Ontario Geography Award.

A change was approved to the CAGONT Constitution for replacing a person in the case of an emergency.

• Motion: In the event an Executive member is unable to complete their term, the remaining Executive members will appointment a replacement, who is a member of the CAG, until the next Annual General Meeting. **Bill Gough, University of Toronto** - **Scarborough** moved; **Bill Crumplin, Laurentian University** 2nd – approved unanimously.

The Treasurer, **Tanzina Mohsin**, **University of Toronto - Scarborough**, provided the following financial information.

• Previous year balance \$12,650 last year; \$3848 in revenue; \$2114 in cheques; end of year balance of \$14,384.

Mark your calendars: the **2014 CAGONT Annual Meeting** will be hosted by the Department of Geography, York University in Toronto from October 24-25. More details to follow soon!

The Executive would like to encourage members to consider nominating individuals for the <u>Service to Ontario Geography Award</u>. It would also like to remind students about the <u>Student</u> <u>Paper Competition</u>. Annual prizes are as follows: Undergraduate \$100, Master's \$150, and Doctoral \$200. Additional information about this competition and previous winners can be found at: <u>www.geography.ryerson.ca/cagont/#Awards</u>.

Thank you to the membership for another great year. The Executive looks forward to seeing many of you at <u>CAGONT 2014</u> at York University in Toronto, October 24-25, 2014!



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Check out CAGONT on Facebook. There are 161 group members and counting!