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The new Executive of the OAS would like to wish all members a Happy New Year!
...Which brings us to a most important announcement below:

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!

ALL memberships are now due for renewal starting January 1, 1972. We hope that members will renew their memberships immediately either by mail, phone, or coming to the meeting and asking for the new treasurer, Miss Martha Warnes. The renewal of memberships seems to necessitate a great deal of running around for the treasurer, issuing constant reminders. Would you believe that some people did not pay their dues until the last month of 1971? This year drastic action will have to be taken to spare our new treasurer some of the frustrations encountered by her predecessor. So if you don't receive your Arch Notes and your membership dues have not been paid - please take the hint and mail your cheque either to the President or the Corresponding Secretary or the Treasurer Miss Warnes, at 241 Redpath Ave., Toronto 12. No reminders will be sent out to the tardy ones! Please cooperate to ease the burden on your already overburdened Executive!
PLEASE USE THE FORM AT THE BOTTOM OF PAGE 4 AND NOTE THE INCREASED COSTS OF MEMBERSHIP.

HEARTS AND FLOWERS by Marie Zaputovich.

Some of you may not have known that Miss Lorna Procter had to relinquish her post of Treasurer with the OAS because of illness. Happily Lorna is now well on the road to recovery, she even came to the Christmas Banquet. Those of us who worked with Lorna on the Executive know how faithfully she fulfilled not only her duties but also those of other members as well. She was a pillar of strength, working all hours for the OAS. Would that we had more like her! Her drive for the scrupulous fulfillment of her many duties certainly had a part in undermining her health. I sincerely hope, and I am sure that you will join me in this wish, that Lorna will continue to come to all the meetings, mingle with her many friends, attend all the digs, for many, many years to come. The OAS Executive won't seem quite the same without her, she fussed over us all, and she will be sincerely missed. But we hope that when her strength has completely returned we can continue to draw on her many years of experience and wisdom with regard to the OAS. Many thanks, Lorna and hope to see you at all the meetings!

Another member who has served the OAS in a a most efficient and devoted capacity is Dr. Conrad Heidenreich, the former editor of our Publication Ontario Archaeology. The present standard of excellence in quality of articles and editing is entirely of his doing. Few members are perhaps aware of the tremendous amount of work which goes into this position in the form of reading the numerous submitted articles and the rewriting of the accepted ones. And then, of course, Dr. Heidenreich had the ungrateful job of finding a printer, trying to work within our limited budget, and in spite of all the agravations steadily improving on the quality of the publications to the extent that a Canada Council grant was awarded to aid in the publishing costs. The excellent quality of the last two publications was cited by the Council as one of the reasons why the grant was given. To Dr. Heidenreich for his maintenance of superior quality and Mr. Thomas Kenyon of Hamilton who did the artwork on the new covers, can go our sincere thanks for this happy turn of events! Many thanks for your past years of labour, Conrad!

To Dr. J. V. Wright, our President during 1971 our most sincere thanks for stepping into the breach in our time of need! Dr. Wright commuted to Toronto from Ottawa to attend our monthly meetings and in so doing, set an example for all in OAS dedication. With such dedicated members how can we fail? It was a pleasure to have Dr. Wright as our President and we hope that he will occasionally make that long trip from Ottawa to Toronto on those third Wednesdays of each month to visit with us. Thank you.

And with this vote of thanks to the three members above, I would like to welcome the new President, Dr. Savage, Treasurer, Miss Warnes, and Editor; Dr. Hurley to their new posts in the OAS. On behalf of the members I would like to say Welcome and Thanks for contributing your precious time in the forthcoming year.

BRIEF RESUMES ON YOUR NEW PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT:

Dr. Howard Savage, the new President of the OAS graduated in Medicine at the University of Toronto and then proceeded to do post-graduate work in Paediatrics at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children and the Texas Children's Hospital at Dallas, Texas. He completed special courses in Graduate Ornithology at the Department of Zoology, University of Toronto, as well as Graduate Vertebrate

Paleontology, Department of Zoology, University of Toronto. Dr. Savage has worked at various sites throughout Canada and in the British Honduras doing Faunal Analysis. He has published his findings in numerous publications. At present he divides his time between the Royal Ontario Museum and the Department of Anthropology at the University of Toronto. The OAS is honoured to have Dr. Savage as the new president and extremely grateful to him for taking the time to fulfill these duties.

Mr. Victor Konrad is a graduate student in the Geography Department of York University. His special interest is the identification of Archaeological Sites as non-renewable resources which can be excavated and ultimately developed for public education and tourism. During 1971, Mr. Konrad directed and completed a comprehensive survey of the archaeological resources of Metro Toronto through a grant from Opportunities for Youth. We are indeed grateful to have Mr. Konrad taking time out from his busy schedule to be the Vice-President of the OAS.

As an added note to the above - both Dr. Savage and Mr. Konrad are amateur archaeologists, a fact which should be of special interest to OAS members.

A DELAYED ACTION ANNOUNCEMENT FROM DR. HEIDENREICH

Dr. Heidenreich had originally planned to say only that the printing of the Ontario Archaeologist No.17, 1971 would be delayed until funds were available. Hopefully, he expected this happy event to occur early in 1972. However, he has now heard that the OAS has obtained a Canada Council Grant for 1972, which will cover the publication costs of one issue. Publication No.17, therefore, will now proceed full steam ahead!

PLEASE NOTE!

LAB SESSIONS FOR 1972

Mr. C. S. (Paddy) Reid, of the Department of Anthropology, University of Toronto, has invited OAS members and their friends to Lab Sessions in the Archaeology Lab., Sidney Smith Hall, 100 St. George Street, Toronto, on Friday evenings, January 14th and 21st, 1972 from 7.30 p.m.

Last summer, Paddy and his field crew excavated at the Milton site a prehistoric component (occupied about 1400 AD) and a satellite ossuary of historic dating, and recovered considerable ceramic, lithic, and faunal and human bone material. Washing, cataloguing and examining of a portion of these findings remain to be done.

This is your opportunity to see and work with excavated archaeological material. Try to come!

AND ONCE AGAIN.....

CALLING ALL MEMBERS! Your membership renewals are now due for 1972. Please make sure your cheques (in the increased amount of \$5.00 for Singles, \$8.00 Family, \$5.00 Institutional) are mailed to the Treasurer. Use the form at the bottom of the next page.

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

As your incoming President, I am honoured to have been elected to this position, and can only hope that its responsibilities will be met, and some of its potentialities realized.

Major OAS activities during 1971 included excavations at the McLeod and DeWaele sites, monthly meetings during the spring, fall and winter with a variety of interesting and informative speakers, the enjoyable December banquet, and the publication of two issues of Ontario Archaeology and nine issues of Arch-Notes. Monthly meetings were very well attended with standing room only prevalent at many.

Active Executive and Committee heads, and participating and interested members have made these accomplishments possible. A large debt of gratitude is owed to all these by your 1972 Executive.

While the 1972 activities will hopefully duplicate or exceed those of this past year, your President hopefully foresees other developments.

Lab sessions have been an instructive and enjoyable OAS activity in the past. Two such sessions scheduled for January are hereby in Arch-Notes, and will provide a guide for further dates. Considerable material from OAS digs in past years remains to be washed, catalogued and inventoried, before publication can be considered.

The excavation of Ontario archaeological sites by other than well qualified personnel, professional or otherwise, remains a problem of increasing magnitude and concern. Information about a site and the people who lived there, is lost during haphazard or incomplete digging, and cannot be condemned too strongly. Close supervision of all site excavations, then valid interpretations of the findings, and publication in an accredited archaeological journal should follow one another invariably.

A closer association of the parent body and the chapters within the OAS appears desirable and beneficial to all concerned. Exchange of information, preliminary site reports, etc., not only in print, but also in attendance at one another's meetings and digs, and the ensuing informal discussions, should be of great mutual assistance. Let's make an even better archaeological year than the ones before. See you at the next meeting!

Howard Savage, President,
Ontario Archaeological Society.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

The undersigned makes application for membership in The OAS and agrees to be governed by its constitution, by-laws and rules as long as membership continues.

PLEASE CHECK TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP DESIRED

ACTIVE:.....\$5.00 INSTITUTIONAL:.....\$5.00
FAMILY:(Husband & Wife)..... 8.00 Date:.....
Signature:..... Address:.....
Name:.....
(Please Print) Phone:.....

All cheques and postal money orders should be made payable to:

THE ONTARIO ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

(All memberships effective from January 1st, 1972 to December 31st, 1972.)

MONTHLY MEETING

This month's general meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 19, 1972 at 8:00 pm in the Archaeology Laboratory, Room 561, Sidney Smith Hall, 100 St. George St., Toronto.

The speaker for this meeting will be Mr. Victor Konrad, our new Vice-President, a graduate student of the Department of Geography at York University. Mr. Konrad's topic for the evening will be "Archaeological Resources of Metropolitan Toronto".

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The following is from a letter to the Editor from the Curator of the Hiram Walker Historical Museum, R. Alan Douglas:-
"Representations have been made to the Hiram Walker Historical Museum by Mr. Gary A. Logan, 604 West M Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, directed toward obtaining information as to the locations of archaeological features, both historic and pre-historic. This person proposes to remove materials from sites in Ontario. He speaks of woning an extensive collection developed from sites widely distributed in the United States.

"Mr. Logan has been told in part that compliance with his request would violate Points 4 and 5, Section D, of the Code of Ethics for Museum Personnel adopted by the Museums Section of the Ontario Historical Society in 1965.

"The foregoing is for the information of anyone receiving a similar approach."

Archaeological sites and artifacts are non-renewable resources, and members would be doing a great service by giving the above information as wide circulation as possible.

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NOTE:- At the last executive meeting in 1971, it was decided to alter the publication schedule of ARCH NOTES. This alteration will occur sometime in 1972, and members will be advised well in advance of the change.

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And we would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to Mrs. Marti Latta as the Society's new Programme Convener.

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For those of you who are wondering, our new executive was elected by acclamation. No other nominations were received at or prior to the December meeting. Consequently, the positions went uncontested, and - for better or for worse - that's it for this year!

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The Ottawa Chapter is alive and well and doing great things! Volume 1, Number 1 of ARCHAIC NOTES (sporadic publication of Ottawa Chapter, Ontario Archaeological Society) has found its way to the Editor's Desk.

President:- Clyde C. Kennedy, 30 Nanaimo Dr., Ottawa (K2H 6Y1)

Vice-President:- Don S. Robertson, 35½ Faraday Cres., Deep River.

Roscoe Wilmeth spoke at the November 19th meeting of the Ottawa Chapter on the "Problems of Radiocarbon Dating" or "You've Mixed My Samples". Following the talk, there was a discussion on the various aspects of radiocarbon dating, and someone mentioned a recent article by Colin Renfrew in the October 1971 Scientific American - "Carbon 14 and the Prehistory of Europe. It would appear to have been a very enjoyable meeting.

"Ottawa, Don't Shoot"

"It was decided that the Ottawa Chapter would begin its field work at home and an archaeological survey would be made of Ottawa and lands immediately adjacent. The survey is to be planned at future meetings."

"January Tabagie"

"The annual dinner meeting of the Ottawa Chapter will be held on Friday, January 21, as agreed early in the year. At the November 19 meeting Jim Pendergast volunteered to act as convener, with the assistance of Lou Wylie. Details will be circulated later.

"OAS members from Toronto, Windsor and elsewhere are invited; they should inform Jim Pendergast if they intend to come so that he can make dinner reservations."

BRAVO, OTTAWA!

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The Fifth Annual Meeting of the Canadian Archaeological Association is being hosted by Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's in February 1972. Any members of the O. A. S. interested in attending and wanting further details should contact ARCH NOTES Editor, John Reid.

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Hopefully, for February ARCH NOTES, we will have abstracts of the talks given at the November (Ken Dawson) and December (Roscoe Wilmeth) General Meetings.

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DON'T FORGET TO PAY YOUR 1972 MEMBERSHIP DUES!!!!!!