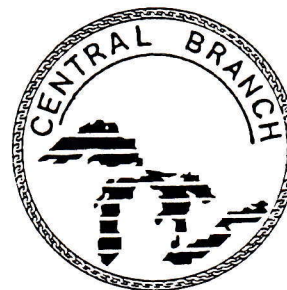


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Central Branch Committees

Membership/Nominations/Elections

T. Herron, J. Biggar, J. Campbell, A. Koudys.

Lighthouse

T. Herron, J. Weller, P. Travaglini, A. Leyzack.

Social Events

BBQ: J. Biggar, P. Travaglini, A. Koudys,
J. Campbell.

H2O: A. Leyzack, P. Travaglini, B. Power,
J. Miles, B. Tinney, D. Pyatt.

AGM: J. Campbell, A. Leyzack, J. Biggar,
A. Koudys, T. Herron.

International Members

T. Herron, P. Travaglini, L. Robbins, J. Weller.

Seminar

W. Warrender.

NewsLetter

J. Weller, T. Herron, A. Leyzack, L. Robbins,
K. Weaver.

Wade Essay Award

W. Warrender, A. Leyzack.

Heritage Launch

A. Leyzack, W. Warrender, J. Dixon, B. Power,
H. Duller.

Notes from the Branch Vice-President

Our Branch Nominations Committee has completed their task of soliciting nominations for the 1997 Central Branch executive.

Unfortunately, there are no members who would like to run for V-P or Secretary-Treasurer, but we do have enough interest in the executive members positions to have an election. So, enclosed with this newsletter is your ballot. Please think about who you feel would be an active executive member, and take the time to vote.

The ballot box will be located on the round coffee table by Linda's desk, for In-House members. For members outside the building you may vote by fax, Email or regular mail. If anyone is interested in taking over the V-P or Secretary-Treasurer positions... please let us know. The results of the election will be announced at the AGM.

Also included with this newsletter is your AGM registration form. This should be an excellent evening. Once again it is at the Mimico Cruising Club, and dinner will be similar to last year. Guests are welcome. The date is Thursday December 5th. If you plan on attending, please fill out the registration form and forward with payment to Andrew Leyzack. The deadline for registration is November 29th.

We have a new member... Mike Romanchuk, who is with Ontario Hydro. Welcome aboard! All CHS term employees have received a CHA membership brochure and our seasonal employees will also receive membership information.

Lighthouse is just days away from press. By the time you receive this newsletter it will be at press. The next one, Edition 54, is now under construction. I am looking for papers for the Spring Edition 55. If you have a paper that our readers would find interesting, please send it along for review.

Hope to see you at the AGM!

– Terese

Next Meeting

The 1996 AGM of Central Branch of CHA is on Thursday 5 December 1996 at Mimico Cruising Club, Humber Bay West Park, Etobicoke (Toronto). Cocktail reception at 16:30, AGM at 18:15, dinner at 19:00.

Our Guest Speaker will be confirmed in the next few days. We are enclosing an AGM registration form with this newsletter.

Central Branch of CHA

Treasurer's Report to 6 November 1996

Balance forward 2 Oct, 1996: \$ 4,164.04

Receipts

Membership Dues (1996)	\$ 180.00
Membership Dues (1997)	30.00
	\$ 210.00
	\$ 4,374.04

Expenditures

General Mtg. No. 4 & 5	\$ 78.56
Postage	63.59
Barbeque	135.14
CISM/Bank Service Charges	nil
	\$ 277.29

Balance 6 November: \$ 4,096.75

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[Note: To assist the Editorial team, some Lighthouse income and expenditures (reported below) are handled by the Central Branch treasurer. The balance is held available and is passed to Lighthouse on request.]

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Lighthouse "Convenience" Account
from 31 December 1995 to 6 November 1996

Balance (Audited) forward 31 Dec. 1995: \$ 1,164.59

Receipts

Subscriptions (1996)	\$ 1,346.44
Subscriptions (1997)	\$ 120.00
	\$ 1,466.44
	\$ 2,631.03

Expenditures

Transfer to Lighthouse	\$ 1,000.00
	\$ 1,000.00

Balance 6 November, 1996: \$ 1,631.03

The AGM Committee greatly appreciates the assistance of our corporate sponsors.

Their contributions help to provide a quality evening for friends and colleagues to gather and share a little Christmas cheer in a very lovely setting.

Two or three sponsors have already offered to help support the AGM. Other sponsors are encouraged to join their ranks and enjoy the benefits of assisting in this special event.

Thanks to our sponsors, the cost of the evening is kept very reasonable.

Minutes of General Meeting of CENTRAL BRANCH held on 6 November 1996

1) This year's 5th General Meeting was held at Bill and Helen Warrender's residence in Burlington. Terese welcomed everyone, thanked Bill and Helen for their hospitality, and called the meeting to order at 19:20.

Attendees:

Terese Herron - V.P.- Chair
Andrew Leyzack - Secretary-Treasurer
Mike Bennett Jon Biggar Brian Power (later)
Ab Rogers Sam Weller Bill Warrender
Doug Cuthbert - Guest Speaker

2) The minutes of the 2 October 1996 meeting were circulated in the September/October newsletter and were available at the meeting.

- Moved B. Warrender/M. Bennett CARRIED

3) Treasurer's Report: (A. Leyzack) Andrew presented the treasurer's report for the period 2 October to 6 November 1996. Andrew also reported on the difficulties of maintaining our Branch's Royal Bank account for the purpose of international money wires. The account, which requires a minimum \$1,000.00 balance to offset service charges, recently went stale by reason that incoming wires do not indicate an active account. Lastly, the bank statements don't always identify the origin or sender of the money and with no other supporting documentation have created accounting problems. A discussion resulted in the following action:

Action: Terese to query Susan Pugh at CIG with regards to extending their Mastercard services to non-members for Lighthouse subscriptions as a means of replacing the wire service, & to explore other avenues.

4) Correspondence: (T. Herron) Terese reported on correspondence from prospective new applicants for membership. See Membership committee report.

5) Committee Reports:

Heritage Launch Project: (A. Leyzack) Andrew reported on recent correspondence with the War Museum, Museum of Civilization, Ottawa. Sean Hinds has been finalizing an agreement with War Museum director Vic Suthren regarding funding for future launch maintenance. The launch has gone to winter quarters in a barn at Andrew's parents' farm in Cayuga, Ontario. With heat and room to work, the committee and crew will schedule dates to meet there this winter to carry out scraping and painting to Surveyor's hull and topsides.

Membership: (J. Campbell) Terese reported that Mike Romanchuk of Ontario Hydro has joined; the winner of the CHA National Student Award has also expressed an interest in joining the Branch. Notices for '97 membership will be with the December newsletter.

Actioned: Terese asked George Fenn and Mike Bennett to approach the new CHS term employees for '97 membership.

Outstanding Action 1 : Membership committee still to report back comments from former sustaining members.

Outstanding Action 2: Andrew still to forward H₂O sponsor mailing list to Past President Dave Pugh to assist him with a Sustaining Member campaign.

Social Events: The **AGM** committee has met to begin planning for this year's event, December 5 at the Mimico Cruising Club, Toronto. See Seminar report for prospective speakers.

Seminar: (B. Warrender) Either Steve Blasco, who presented *Titanica* at the '93 Canadian Hydrographic Conference, or Ted Cowan, the DFO economist who recommended the moratorium on the Cod Fishery, will be our Guest Speaker for the AGM Dinner.

Lighthouse: (T. Herron) Terese reported that Edition 53 of the journal will be going to press early next week and should be in the mail in two weeks.

6) Nominations: There was a motion to close the Nominations for the 1997 Executive.

- Moved B. Warrender/J. Biggar CARRIED

Terese reported that although 9 people were nominated to V-P and 6 for Secretary-Treasurer, none accepted, thereby leaving her and Andrew to retain those positions by default. The following members have accepted their nominations and are in the running for the '97 executive committee: Dan Dixel, Jon Biggar, Chris Gorski, Mike Johnston, Al Koudys, Jacqueline Miles, Fred Oliff, Paola Travaglini, Bill Warrender, Sam Weller.

Voting will end noon, Dec. 5, the day of the AGM.

7) With no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 20:10.

- Moved S. Weller/M. Bennett CARRIED

Doug Cuthbert, who is a Civil Engineer with Environment Canada and a member of the International Joint Commission Operation's Control Board, spoke on Great Lakes outflow and water levels.

In what was one of the best special interest presentations to date, Doug covered such topics as the Chicago water diversion, and whether or not the Americans are "stealing" Canadian water, while dispelling any myths we may have had about Niagara Falls being shut off at night. They actually do turn down the tap during the tourist "off season".

Afterwards the beer tap was turned up to aid with pizza consumption.

Central Branch 10th Annual Summer BBQ

This year's gathering of friends and family for CHA's annual barbecue was held on September 21 and was graced with sunny skies and warm temperatures.



Chef Tim

We thank our gracious hosts Andrew Leyzack and Jacqueline Miles for their excellent hospitality. The variety of potluck salads and desserts was delicious and our thanks go to master grillers Andrew Leyzack and Tim Janzen.



Waiting to be fed, guys?

The youngsters contributed to the after dinner entertainment with the bobbing for apples fest. They left with big smiles and sore jaws after collecting a booty of double bubble.



The Candidates Speak

Each person who accepted nomination to the Central Branch Executive was offered space in this NewsLetter to speak to the members.

Jon Biggar: I am looking forward to working for you on the Branch Executive. I enjoy our evening meetings and will work to help support any activities that I can

Mike Johnston: I have worked for the CHS for the past five years, mainly in the Nautical Publications Division. Currently I am working in the Product Maintenance Division continuing work on a new chart of McGregor Bay.

Fred Oliff: Hello there! Since 1992 I have been a term hydrographer with the Canadian Hydrographic Service, Central & Arctic Region. For the past four years, as President of the Waterloo-Wellington Canoe Club, I have developed the kind of leadership and public relations skills that will be of benefit to the CHA. I ask you to consider me for a position on the Executive. I hope to increase my involvement with Lighthouse, both in an editorial capacity and also as author of articles for Ends of the Earth.

Sam Weller: I have been active on your Executive for several years and have been editor of our NewsLetter since it began in July 1987. If re-elected to the Branch Executive, I will be glad to continue with the NewsLetter as well as other committee work as needed, and to encourage closer ties with all members.

We are happy to offer our ad-spot this month to Sustaining Member NovAtel Inc., "Your source for Precision & Performance."

Founded in 1983, and with their HQ in Calgary, NovAtel is a world-class leader in the development and manufacture of GPS products including GPSCards, GPSAntennas and accessories.

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