



Society Settles into Interim Home

On December 8, 2017 the Society received the keys to 51 Poplar Street in Deep River. The building will be the Society's interim storage facility for the next few years. Nuclear R&D related equipment, artifacts, documents, photos, media clippings, and memorabilia telling Canada's nuclear R&D history will be collected, catalogued, organized, repaired, and prepared for display. The Society is leasing the building from AECL on very favourable terms and staff from CNL are maintaining the building, which constitutes a key contribution in kind to our project.



Recent Additions to the Collection

- Mould for casting glass samples used in radioactive waste disposal studies
- Lloyd Elliott collection of nuclear physics books
- Device for ultra high-precision measurements of gamma ray deflections in crystals
- Photo collection from Dave Walker
- Polarizing microscopes used to characterize mineralization of borehole cores

Our thanks go to Susan Miller, the Elliot family, Walt Woytowich, Bruce Walker, Mike Ward, and Mike Erikson for donating these items.

How you can get involved

We are currently looking for help to:

- catalogue artifacts, documents and books
- research and write the history of artifacts
- repair and clean up artifacts for display
- run our website
- complete a five-year business plan and contingency plans
- complete our set of policies and procedures
- write occasional newsletters
- put sustainable funding in place

The success of the project will depend on the level of support it receives from the people of North Renfrew. We need your help whether you're an expert or not! Our stakeholders include North Renfrew residents, students, visitors to the area, municipalities, historians, and commercial and not-for-profit nuclear organizations.

The Society always welcomes donations of items suitable to display in and equip our future museum. At the moment we are hoping to locate a dummy CANDU fuel bundle, surplus tables, office chairs, display shelving, and cabinets.

If you have something you may be able to donate, please call:

Jim Ungrin (613-584-3055), or
Michael Stephens (613-594-9210), or
Morgan Brown (613-717-1588)

Society Holds Informal Meeting of Members at Deep River Library

On Feb. 13, the Society held an informal meeting of members in the Program Room of the W. B. Lewis Public Library in Deep River. The Board updated members on the progress being made and what the next steps will be, encouraged members and interested parties to get involved, and collected attendees' ideas on how they would like to see the project develop.

Artifacts Committee Lays Foundation for Cataloguing and Documenting Holdings

The Artifacts Committee is making great progress at putting into place the policies and procedures that will be needed to catalogue and document the Society's holdings. Hundreds of books and artifacts have been catalogued. We are inviting a professional archivist from the Arnprior Archives to visit us this spring to advise us on current professional procedures for cataloguing and preserving documents.



Society Directors and Officers

Michael Stephens (Board Chair, President)

James Ungrin (Director)

Morgan Brown (Secretary)

Don Barrington (Treasurer)

Missing from Photo:

Allan Symons (Membership)

Committees

The Society's Board has established several committees to advance the project to develop a museum in several areas:

- Artifacts (J. Ungrin)
- Communications (S. Golesorkhi)
- Facilities (M. Stephens)
- Finances and Fundraising (D. Barrington)
- Membership (A. Symons)

If you would like to get involved in one or more of these areas, please contact the chair (name in parentheses).

Board Continues to Advance Society Planning

The Board is currently reviewing a draft five-year Strategic Plan and is drafting a corresponding Business Plan. Together these plans describe the overall goals of the Society and the practical aspects of what is being done and still needs to be done to make them a reality.

In the Collection

