



CAGONT Annual Report 2017

The Canadian Association of Geographers - Ontario Division (CAGONT) held its Annual Meeting at Queen's University from October 20-21, 2017.

Numbers of note:

- Total papers/posters: 136 including
 - 116 papers,
 - 18 posters and
 - 1 evening panel session
 - 1 plenary lecture by Dr. Audrey Kobayashi

A huge thank you on behalf of the CAGONT Executive to Warren Mabee, Sandra McCubbin and the entire team in the Department of Geography and Planning that made the conference a tremendous success.

The **Student Paper Awards** were given to:

Jennifer Langill (University of Toronto), **Best Masters Paper** and \$200 for *"The Relevance of James Scott's the Moral Economy of the Peasant (1976) in Present-Day Peasant Studies"*

The **Best Student Posters** were awarded to:

Alyssa Aiello (Queen's University), \$200 for *"An Analysis of Canadian News Media in 2016 on the Portrayal of Indigenous Leadership in Renewable Energy Projects"*, and

Margot Flemming (University of Waterloo), \$200 for *"Validation of remotely sensed snow products in the Grand River Watershed"*

The Executive Committee would like to encourage members to consider nominating individuals for the [Service to Ontario Geography Award](#). This year there were no submissions. Please consider making a nomination for the 2018 award.

The CAGONT Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held on October 20, 2017. Some terms on the Executive Committee came to an end and elections were held. The executive currently consists of the following members:

- **Sarah Mason-Renton, University of Western Ontario/University of British Columbia**, President (2017 - 2019)
- **Susan Elliott, University of Waterloo**, Vice President (2017-2019)
- **Wayne Forsythe, Ryerson University**, Past-President (2017-2018)
- **Evan Cleave, University of Western Ontario**, Treasurer (2016-2018)
- **Andrea Rishworth, University of Waterloo**, Secretary (2016-2018)
- **Sandra McCubbin, Queen's University**, Student Representative (2017-2018)

- **Siera Vercillo, University of Western Ontario**, Student Representative (2017-2018)
- **Warren Mabee, Queen's University**, Representative from the department that held the last CAGONT Annual Meeting (2017-2018)
- **Matt Farish, University of Toronto**, Representative from the department that will hold the next CAGONT Annual Meeting (2017-2018)

CAGONT would like to thank **Wayne Forsythe, Ryerson University** (the 2016-2017 President), **Stine Hansen, McMaster University** (the 2016-2017 Student Representative), and **Susan Elliott, University of Waterloo** (the 2016-2017 Representative from the department that held the last CAGONT Annual Meeting) for their efforts on behalf of CAGONT.

The Treasurer, **Evan Cleave, University of Western Ontario**, provided the following financial information.

- Total balance from previous year: \$15 783.23; \$3 000.00 in revenue; \$2 617.29 in expenses; end of year (September 2017) balance of \$16 165.94

The Executive Committee would like to remind students about the [Student Paper Competition](#). Annual prizes are as follows: Undergraduate \$200, Master's \$200, and Doctoral \$200. Additional information about this competition and previous winners can be found at:

www.geography.ryerson.ca/cagont/#Awards.

Funds are made available by CAGONT to support student participation in the Annual Meeting. Guidelines are established each year and are normally published on the pertinent Annual Meeting website. To be eligible, students must be members of the Canadian Association of Geographers in the year that the meeting is held and must present at the Annual Meeting.

The Executive Committee also decided to set aside funding to assist students and postdoctoral fellows (income \$45 000 or less) in attending the [CAG/IGU 2018](#) meeting in Quebec City. Applicants must be from a CAG institution in Ontario and must be a 2018 CAG member. Individuals will be awarded up to \$225 each, dependent on the number of applicants. Deadline March 15. Further details will be available on the CAGONT website.

The **2018 CAGONT 2018 Annual Meeting** will be held at the **University of Toronto – St. George** on October 19-20, 2018. More details to follow...

Thank you to the membership for another great year. See you at CAGONT 2018!

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