

LAMBTON
FEDERATION OF
AGRICULTURE
ANNUAL
BANQUET AND
ANNUAL MEETING

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 1992
BROOKE-ALVINSTON COMMUNITY
COMPLEX, IN ALVINSTON

PROGRAM FOR THE BANQUET/ANNUAL MEETING

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BROOKE-ALVINSTON COMMUNITY COMPLEX

6:45 P.M.	GRACE	BILL ABRAHAM
	DINNER	
7:45 P.M.	WELCOME	ROBERT MATER
	INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE & GUESTS	HARM DOUMA
	THANK THE LADIES	ROBERT JOHNSTON
	INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKER	JOHN DEVET
	GUEST SPEAKER	HON. EUGENE WHELAN
	THANK THE GUEST SPEAKER	WAYNE ANNETT
	GREETINGS FROM:	
	COUNTY OF LAMBTON <i>County of Lambton</i>	WARDEN BILL BILTON
	ONTARIO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD	BRYAN BOYLE
	ONTARIO FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE	DONA STEWARDSON
	MEMBERS OF PROVINCIAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS	
	PRESENTATION TO THE WINNER OF THE BILL & DOROTHY BURSARY	
8:55 P.M.	ANNUAL MEETING	
	CHAIRMAN OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS	BRYAN BOYLE
	ELECTION OF DIRECTORS - NOMINATION REPORT FOR DIRECTORS FROM EACH TOWNSHIP	JOHN DEVET
	NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT	
	NOMINATIONS FOR 1ST VICE PRESIDENT	
	NOMINATIONS FOR 2ND VICE PRESIDENT	
	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE LAST ANNUAL MEETING AS CIRCULATED TO THE MEETING	
	APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS CIRCULATED TO MEETING	
	APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR 1992-93 FISCAL YEAR	
	RESOLUTIONS	
	NEW BUSINESS	
	ANNOUNCEMENTS	
9:15 P.M.	ADJOURNMENT	
	DANCE TO FOLLOW	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

BY: Darrell Randell

The year, 1992, has been a landmark year for the Lambton Federation of Agriculture and for all Ontario farmers. The whole board of directors has executed their responsibilities seriously, and displayed a staunch concern for the welfare of our industry.

The historic Ottawa Rally in February, with 40,000 farmers on Parliament Hill, has become a benchmark in Canadian farmer memory. Nearly 300 people from Lambton were there and will never forget that day. It kindled a recognition that, although our 3% of the population is splintered into many different commodities and spread thinly across the whole country, we are fundamental to Canada, and can be a force to be reckoned.

In the spring, after a discussion with representatives from the producer groups in the county, the LFA sent a resolution to OFA about the inability of farmers to make necessary capital reinvestments in their businesses. This resolution passed at OFA and has become a major theme in Provincial lobbying efforts. Agriculture, and the whole economy, is in endangered as long as farmers cannot feel secure when making investments in machinery and buildings.

LFA is very happy that after many years of hard work, we are close to seeing Stable Funding for farm organizations. It will give farmers in Ontario the loud and strong voice that is sorely needed and will also ensure a much more equitable share of the Province's treasury for a too often overlooked rural Ontario.

I see a great need for all farmers to listen to each other and then work together co-operatively. If we fail to do this there is no need to worry about animal rightists, environmental extremists, giant multi-national corporate abuses, or even public apathy. We will have doomed ourselves! We have made progress and it must continue.

On behalf of the LFA Board of Directors and all our members I wish to thank our secretary-treasurer Lois Wakefield, and our fieldman Earl Morwood. Their hard work, experience, and sound counsel has served us all well.

This is the end of my two years as your president and the final point is to thank one person who has also worked hard for the LFA and is as up to date on the issues as anyone can be. She has taken thousands of phone messages and listened to the rough drafts of everything I have said or written. Thank you, Nancy.

FIELDMAN'S REPORT

BY: Earl Morwood

This has been another great year for the Lambton Federation of Agriculture. A veteran president. A very supportive secretary. A board which puts out upon request. Lots of issues. The 1985 checkoff for GFO's which has become a stable funding mechanism is very close to fruition. Thanks to LFA. Results. A rally to Ottawa that had several busloads of caring Lambton farmers in its midst. Results.

A very informative regional meeting that involved all of the commodity boards in presentations to the concerned politicians in attendance. Results.

An opening night presentation at the Petrolia playouse with dinner with Agricultural Minister Buchanan and all of the commodity groups again. Jack and Dona on stage. Results.

Membership that has increased this year for the first time in a while. Results.

And many other significant events that produced results. This board of directors has been right on. Keep up the flow.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

By: Harm Douma

The 1991-92 membership year was a good one for membership in Lambton County. We did several high profile events which helped to spread the word to the farmers of Lambton regarding the importance of being an OFA member in these challenging times in agriculture. The rally to Ottawa certainly helped our annual membership drive in February when we signed up 25 new members and talked to a whole buch more farmers who probably will want to join during our canvas this year.

We also signed up over 20 new members at the London farm show this year. This was the first time that we have gone hog wild on promotion at the London farm show. We sold 78 new members altogether at the show.

We also sold memberships at the poultry show in London i April. We sold 25 at this show. We also sold memberships at the Pork congress in Straford. As you can see we are doing more shows which allows us to reach more of our farmers in Lambton.

This year 1993 we will do all of these shows, have a big blitz and be at the Toronto Farm show.

Times they are a changin' and so is the federation.

Thank you to all who helped this year with membership and thanks to all of you who are members.

We ended the year with 1020 members which was an increase of nine members. It has been some time since we have increased this much in one year.

LAND AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

By: Leonard McMurphy

It has been stated that "Protection of the Environment has become one of the major challenges of our time." There probably is no sector more aware of this than those of us employed in Agriculture.

The Lambton Federation of Agriculture Land and Environment committee this year attempted to deal with a variety of concerns. At a local level as well as Provincially.

Some of the activities of the committee included briefs to the Sarnia Clearwater Council concerning their rural severance study. Also, to the Ministry of Natural Resources in response to the proposed changes to the Ontario Tree Act, and to the Lambton County Council concerning their strong stand to protect and enhance woodlots in the county, but their failure to provide any incentives in this direction.

The committee was involved in bringing to the Lambton Board the concerns of two LFA members which resulted in resolutions being sent to the Provincial level.

The first was on behalf of Wm. E. McGuire calling for change in the Ontario Expropriation Act, so that anyone who suffered the misfortune of being expropriated could realize fair and realistic values for their loss.

The second on behalf of Ivan Fowler whose resolution called for Provincial Tax exemption on building materials for manure storage. It was felt that the growing concern and pressure for improved manure storage was for the environment and all society and therefore should be tax exempt.

The committee also has been involved in communicating concerns for such items as pipelines, hydro lines, Provincial Land use studies and storage pool developments.

In all, we feel this has been a very active and productive year for the Land and Environment committee.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

By: Dan Young

In 1992 three scholarships were awarded. Gary Martin from Sombra Township received the five hundred dollar Bell-Federation scholarship for a student entering the second year of a four year degree course in agriculture. Gary is attending O.A.C. at Guelph University. Kevin Minielly from Plympton township received the two hundred dollar Kerrigan scholarship. He is a student at O.A.C. Guelph University. Catherine Covemaeker received the Bill and Dorothy Abraham Scholarship of two hundred and fifty dollars. She is attending Rigetown College.

Our congratulations to these three young people. We wish them success.

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

By: Wayne Annett

The waste management committee of the Lambton Federation welcomes this opportunity to express some of the concerns we see in the waste management area. Recently Lambton County has had several proposals to develop or expand landfills in this County. Much of this interest was for imported garbage, but we also realize that Lambton County must soon develop a new landfill site for its residents. While no one wants this development in their back yard we would like to propose some solutions to lessen the impact.

We feel an all out effort should be made to encourage the 3R's, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, along with composting. We would encourage the County to develop a user pay system of waste management to encourage the full use of this option. We feel this would result in landfills being smaller and lasting longer, thus protecting more farmland and causing less disruption to the community. We would encourage strict enforcement of dumping along roadsides, by people trying to not pay for garbage pickup.

We feel the user pay system increase the awareness of all taxpayers and tenants as to the true cost of waste management. We thank you for your time.

L.I.T.C.

By: Stan Stefanik

Most of the L.I.T.C. courses were successful this year. Farm maintenance, rural electric, planting and harvesting were well attended, and Supporting Your Soil had twenty to twenty-four people making it the most popular course.

Farm Business Management and Shop Practice/Small Engines were cancelled due to low interest.

The Community Leadership course which I participated in was new this year and most comments on it were positive.

Some of the changes that we felt were needed included, better screening to keep non-ag people to a minimum, and give first times first change. Timing was also discussed, having day or evening seminars to suit each commodity.

Courses for next year that we hoped to have again were Computer 1 & 2, Community Leadership, and Supporting Your Soil.

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

November 22, 1991

The Annual Banquet and Meeting was held on November 22, 1991 at the Community Centre in Camlachie, with over 225 people in attendance.

Stan Stefanik introduced the Head Table and Guests M. P.'s and M.P.P's, and from neighbouring counties. Leonard McMurphy thank the ladies for the delicious meal.

John DeVet introduced the Guest Speaker Paul Klopp, M.P.P. from Huron County.

Greetings from the County of Lambton by Warden Ron Snow, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food by Byran Boyle; Ontario Federation of Agriculture, executive member Don Stewardson; Member of Parliament, Ellen MacKinnon, MPP; Ken James, M.P. and Ralph Ferguson, M.P.

Annual Meeting:

Chairman of the Election of Officers, Byran Boyle
The scrutiners are: Earl Morwood; Bob Down and Dugal McCallum.

John DeVet gave the nomination report

Bosanquet	Stan Stefanik Harm Douma	Plympton Herm Leystra Stan Stefanik nominated John Schoonjans; George Edwards nominated Ron Smith
Warwick	Bill Stevens	
Brooke	Tony Verberne Stan Chalupka	Clearwater Dan Young
Windsor	Jamie Armstrong	Emmiskillen - Roy Elliott
Paris	Leonard McMurphy	Moore -
Sombra	Darrell Randell	

Moved by Don Craig and seconded by Joyce Anderson to close nominations.

Ron Smith and John Schoonjans declined to run in Plympton, therefore Herm Leystra is Plympton Township representative.

Directors at Large

Moved by Darrell Randell seconded by Dan Young CARRIED

To have the full board 3-5 directors.

Directors at large

Doug McCormick	Rob Johnston
Joyce Anderson	Janet Mater
Time Williams	

Nominations for Director at large: Stan Stefanik nominated Jim Armitage, Jerry Burns and Dave Core

Jerry Burns and Dave Core decline. Jim Armitage agreed to be a director a large.

Moved by Bert McKinlay and seconded by Bill Bilton to close nomination.

Nominations for President

Wayne Annett nominated Darrell Randell

Moved by Joyce Anderson and seconded by Dona Stewardson to close nominations.
CARRIED

DARRELL RANDELL RE-ELECTED PRESIDENT OF LFA FOR ANOTHER ONE YEAR TERM.

Nominations for 1st Vice President

Robert Mater nominated

Moved by Clayton McGregor and seconded by Darrell Randell to close nominations.
CARRIED

ROBERT MATER ELECTED 1ST VICE PRESIDENT OF LFA.

Nominations for 2nd Vice President

Nominated for 2nd Vice President - Stan Stefanik; Harm Douma and Leonard McMurphy.

Moved by Bill Bilton and seconded by Darrell Randell to close nominations.
CARRIED

Stan Stefanik and Leonard McMurphy declined.

HARM DOUMA ELECTED 2ND VICE PRESIDENT.

Minutes of the last Annual Meeting

Moved by Sam Dunseith and seconded by Bill Stevens CARRIED

To approve the minutes of the last Annual Meeting as circulated to the meeting.

Financial Statement

Moved by Joyce Anderson and seconded by Ron Smith CARRIED

To approve the financial statement as circulated to the meeting.

Appointment of Auditor

Moved by LaVerne Wray and seconded by Grace Dunseith CARRIED

To appoint World Data to be auditor for the 1991-92 fiscal year.

Resolutions - none
New Business - none

Moved by Joyce Anderson and seconded by John DeVet CARRIED
To adjourn at 9:40 p.m.

ATTENDANCE REPORT

TOWNSHIP	NAME	PERCENTAGE ATTENDANCE
Warwick	Bill Stevens	90%
Brooke	Tony Verberne	80%
OFA Director (West)	Wayne Annett	100%
OFA Director (Southeast)	Robert Mater	80%
OFA Director (Northeast)	Dona Stewardson	100%
Bosanquet	Harm Douma	80%
Dawn	Leonard McMurphy	90%
Moore	Joyce Anderson	90%
Sombra	Darrell Randell	100%
Sarnia	Dan Young	80%
Past President	John DeVet	90%
Brooke	Stan Chalupka	80%
Enniskillen	Roy Elliott	80%
Euphemia *	Jamie Armstrong	62%
Director at Large *	Tim Williams	25%
Director at Large *	Janet Mater	75%
Plympton *	Herm Leystra	62%
Director at Large *	Jim Armitage	50%
Director at Large	Rob Johnston	60%
Director at Large *	Doug McCormick	62%
Bosanquet	Stan Stefanik	70%
* new members started	December/91	
10 regular meetings held		
Average attendance at	regular meetings 78.5%	

Other committees that our board of directors sit on.

Dona Stewardson -

- OFA Executive
- OFA chairperson - Environment Steering Committee
- Advisory Committee - Mr. Laughren's Fair Tax Commission
- Working Group - Environment and Tax
- Advisory Committee - Proposed Environmental Bill of Rights - Ruth Grier - Minister of Environment E.B.R.
- Environment Canada - Environmental Partners Friend (E.P.F.)
- Canada -Ontario Environmental Sustainability Accord Committee - Advisory Committee (C.O.E.S.A.)
- Land Use Task Force - report to Sewell
- Commission on Planning and Development
- Canadian Federation of Agriculture (OTTAWA) National Task Force
- GLPPC - Environment Canada Great Lakes Pollution Prevention Centre - Sarnia Advisory Committee.
- Workshops - re: review of the Ontario Drainage Act.

Darrell Randell -

- St. Clair River Bi National Public Advisory Committee - Agriculture representative.
- I.C.I. Phosphates Planning Committee
- Lambton Emergency Agriculture Funding.

Leonard McMurphy -

- Lambton Emergency Agriculture Funding.

November 10, 1992.

Directors and Members,
 Lambton Federation of Agriculture:

Dear Members.

Re: 1992 year end.

We have reviewed your accounting records as at September 30, 1992, with your secretary and have found your books and records to be in balance for the year then ending.

The statements and records were verified and found to be in balance and properly kept in accordance with good accounting principles.

There are two Scholarship accounts and one Bursary account, the balances in these accounts were verified with three separate pass books, one with the Royal Bank and two with Royal Trust.

The Records indicate that there are two GIC deposits, one with the Royal Trust in the amount of \$10,000.00 with an interest rate of 10.25% to mature October 1994. The second deposit of \$2,000.00 with The Premier Trust to mature in 1993.

We appreciate the opportunity to have served you during 1992 and look forward to the new year of 1993.

yours truly,


 World Data Service Ltd.

LAMBTON FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE
 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

OCTOBER 1, 1991 - SEPTEMBER 30, 1992

RECEIPTS:		EXPENDITURES:	
Cash on hand Oct.1,1991	\$ 658.82	Salary & Benefit	\$ 2,533.88
Levies and Grants	9,283.32	Postage	584.73
Annual Meeting	2,945.00	Telephone	868.23
Ottawa Rally	14,481.00	Office Supplies	606.06
Miscellaneous	3,164.00	Meeting & Mileage Expense	4,014.38
OFA Rebate	2,660.00	Secretary Expense	1,180.20
Scholarship Funds	700.00	Bank Charges & Interest	60.56
		Outside Services	214.00
		Scholarship	700.00
		Insurance	236.00
		4 H Award	200.00
		Miscellaneous	3,661.15
		Ottawa Rally	11,459.72
		Ottawa Trip	2,827.00
		Regional Meetings	322.60
		Advertising	490.24
		C S T	110.05
		Annual Meeting	2,893.27
		Bank Balance Sept.30,1992	930.07
TOTAL:	\$33,892.14	TOTAL:	\$33,892.14

BELL - FEDERATION SCHOLARSHIP
October 1, 1991 - September 30, 1992

INCOME:

Bank Balance October 1, 1991	\$	4,423.17
Bank Interest		182.73
Bank GIC Interest		<u>1,027.80</u>
TOTAL	\$	5,633.70

EXPENSES

Scholarship	\$	<u>500.00</u>
Bank Balance September 30, 1992	\$	5,133.70

GIC \$10,000 Royal Trust - Rate 10.25% - Mature October 1994.

BILL & DOROTHY BURSARY

INCOME:

Bank Balance October 1, 1991	\$	1,277.00
GIC - Interest		225.75
Bank - Interest		<u>56.12</u>
TOTAL	\$	1,558.87

GIC \$2,100.00; RATE 8.25% - Maturity May, 1995

EXPENSES: NIL

KERRIGAN SCHOLARSHIP

INCOME:

Bank Balance October 1, 1991	\$	328.37
GIC - Interest		217.50
Bank - Interest		<u>11.70</u>
TOTAL	\$	557.57

EXPENSES:

Scholarship	\$	200.00
Bank Balance - September 30, 1992	\$	<u>357.57</u>

GIC \$2,000.00 Rate 10.75% - Maturity December, 1992.

INVESTMENT - MONEY FROM BUS TRIP

GIC \$2,827.00 Rate 5.25% - Maturity October 8, 1992.