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Form 990-EZ

Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

2014

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Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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Information about Form 990-EZ and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning**

, 2014, and ending

, 20

B Check if applicable☐ Address change☐ Name change☐ Initial return☐ Final return/terminated☐ Amended return☐ Application pending**C** Name of organization

MANECCS

Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

375 CHURCH STREET

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code

NORTH ADAMS, MA 01247

D Employer identification number

20-3260634

E Telephone number

(413) 662-5479

F Group Exemption

Number

G Accounting Method☐ Cash☒ Accrual

Other (specify)

I Website: www.maneccs.org**J** Tax-exempt status (check only one) - ☒ 501(c)(3) ☐ 501(c)() (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527**H** Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).**K** Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other**L** Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets

(Part II, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

\$ 15,375

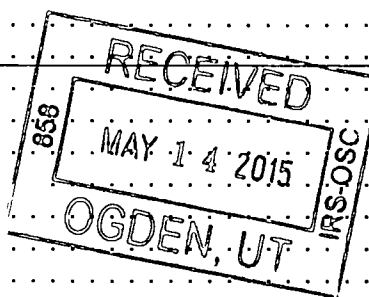
Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (see the instructions for Part I)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	5,225
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	7,400
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	2,750
	4	Investment income	4	
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c		
d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d		
7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a		
b	Less cost of goods sold	7b		
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c		
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	15,375	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	7,404
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	400
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	7,804
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	7,571
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	4,253
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18 through 20	21	11,824

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II ☐

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	4,253	11,824
23 Land and buildings	0	0
24 Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	0	0
25 Total assets	4,253	11,824
26 Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	0	0
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	4,253	11,824

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III ☐What is the organization's primary exempt purpose? Canadian Studies Education

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

Expenses
 (Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations, optional for others)

28 <u>September 25, 26 and 27 2014 Biennial conference at Niagara Falls, Ontario. More than 40 scholars participated in programs increasing knowledge of Canada.</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	28a	7,237
29 <u>Published on-line MANECCS News and Views, which reports activities at member campuses as well as giving scholarly perspectives on Canada.</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	29a	0
30 <u>Continual updating of the MANECCS website, which provides the public with access to the organizations activities and links to source materials.</u> (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	30a	167
31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here ☐	31a	
32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	7,404

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated (see the instructions for Part IV)Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV ☐

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
HOWARD CODY SECRETARY	2.00	0	0	0
ROBERT BENCE TREASURER	1.00	0	0	0
JOAN WHITMAN HOFF VICE-PRESIDENT FOR MEMBERSHIP	1.00	0	0	0
JOSEPH MCGINN PAST PRESIDENT	1.00	0	0	0
STEPHANIE BANGARTH PRESIDENT	1.00	0	0	0
ERICK WEEKS COUNCILOR AT LARGE	0.00	0	0	0
BRENDAN BURKE COUNCILOR AT LARGE	0.00	0	0	0
CLAIRE CAMPBELL COUNCILOR AT LARGE	0.00	0	0	0
ROBERT BOOKMILLER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	0.00	0	0	0
ROSS FOX COUNCILOR AT LARGE	0.00	0	0	0
NASSISSE SOLOMON STUDENT COUNCILOR AT LARGE	0.00	0	0	0

Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☐

	Yes	No
33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		X
34 Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		X
35 a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?		X
b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
35b		
c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		X
35c		
36 Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
36		
37 a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions		
37a		
b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?		X
37b		
38 a Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?		X
38a		
b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved		
38b		
39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter.		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9		
39a		
b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities		
39b		
40 a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ; section 4912 ; section 4955		
b Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		X
40b		
c Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958		
d Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization		
e All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T		X
40e		
41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed		
42 a The organization's books are in care of ROBERT BENCE Telephone no. 413-662-5479 Located at 72 PORTER STREET ROOM 11, NORTH ADAMS, MA ZIP + 4 01247		
b At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country		X
42b		
See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country		X
42c		
43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041-Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year		
43		
44 a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
44a		
b Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ		X
44b		
c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?		X
44c		
d If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
44d		
45 a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?		X
45a		
b Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)		X
45b		

- 46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
46		X

Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47-49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI ☐

- 47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
47		X

- 48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

48		X
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- 49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

49a		X
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- b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?

49b		
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- 50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
NONE				

- f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ▶

- 51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

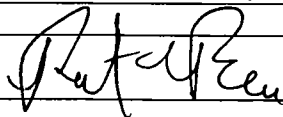
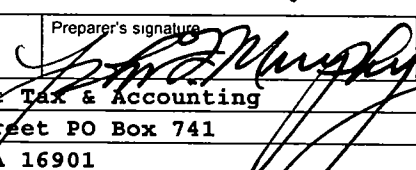
(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

- d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ▶

- 52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **Note.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

☒ Yes ☐ No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	ROBERT BENCE Signature of officer		Date 5/11/15
	ROBERT BENCE, TREASURER Type or print name and title		
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name John F. Murphy	Preparer's signature 	Date 05-06-2015
	Firm's name ▶ Pearl Street Tax & Accounting	Firm's EIN ▶	Check ☒ if self-employed
	Firm's address ▶ 16 Pearl Street PO Box 741 Wellsboro PA 16901	Phone no 570-724-7110	PTIN P00019098

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions

☐ Yes ☒ No

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support
Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

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▶ **Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.**

▶ **Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

MANECCS

20-3260634

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions.

The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box.)

- 1 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2 ☐ A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E.)
- 3 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: _____
- 5 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II.)
- 6 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7 ☒ An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 8 ☐ A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).** (Complete Part II.)
- 9 ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions - subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III.)
- 10 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See **section 509(a)(4).**
- 11 ☐ An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in **section 509(a)(1)** or **section 509(a)(2).** See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
- a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.**
- b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.**
- c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.**
- d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). **You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.**
- e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization
- f Enter the number of supported organizations: _____
- g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total						

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2014

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
 (Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	18,070	7,640	6,485	3,550	7,975	43,720
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	18,070	7,640	6,485	3,550	7,975	43,720
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						43,720

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	18,070	7,640	6,485	3,550	7,975	43,720
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						43,720
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶ ☐						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	100.00	%
15 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	100.00	%
16a 33 1/3% support test - 2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☒			
b 33 1/3% support test - 2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐			
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2014. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐			
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test - 2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐			
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions ▶ ☐			

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.

If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or bus under sec 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2010	(b) 2011	(c) 2012	(d) 2013	(e) 2014	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI)						
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here** ▶ ☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2014 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐

b 33 1/3% support tests - 2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ ☐

20 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ▶ ☐

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

MANECCS

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Employer identification number

20-3260634

01. List of grants and similar amounts paid (Part I, line 10)

Activity **Planning for MANECCS Biennial Conf Sept 25-27 2014**

Grantee **NIAGRA FALLS SHERATON**

Street **5875 Falls Ave**

City, State, Zip **Niagara Falls, Ontario**

Amount **7,404**

02. Other program services (Part III, line 31)

September 25, 26 and 27, 2014 Biennial conference at Niagara Falls, Ontario. More than

40 scholars participated in programs increasing knowledge of Canada. (See Exhibit I)

Published on-line MANECCS News and View which reports activities at member campuses as

well as giving scholarly perspectives on Canada. (See Exhibit II)

Continual updating of the MANECCS website, which provides the public with access to the

organizations activities and links to source materials. (See Exhibit III)



Biennial Conference on Canadian Studies

Sheraton on the Falls, Niagara Falls, ON

September 25-27, 2014



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Exhibit I

Thursday September 25th

Welcome Reception

Place tba.

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Friday September 26th

Registration and Coffee

Upper Fallsview Studio A

7:30 - 8:30 AM

1. Defining Canada

Strategy Room 5&6

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ Charles Greenawalt II, Millersville U, "Defining Canada Through the Music of Stan Rogers"
- ❖ Joan Whitman Hoff, Lock Haven University, "What is African Canadian Philosophy?"

2. 19th Century North America

Strategy Room 7

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ Adam Coombs, UBC, "Country Before Party: The Influence of Classical Republicanism on Anti-Party Thought in Late Nineteenth Century Canada"
- ❖ Bob Timko, independent scholar, "Egerton Ryerson: Building a spiritual and intellectual Foundation for a Canadian Identity"

Break/Coffee

Upper Fallsview Studio A

10:00 - 10:15 AM

3. Symbols, Nationalism and Identity I

Strategy Room 5&6

10:15 - 11:45 PM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ Ian Muller, WLU, "Blacklist dodging: Reuben Ship's *The Investigator* and Canadian Cold War Identity"
- ❖ Bonnie Reilly Schmidt, U of Waterloo, "'Carrying a Stupid Purse': Female Mountie Uniforms and the Gendered Ideals of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, 1974-75"

4. Canadian Literature

Strategy Room 7

10:15 - 11:45 PM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ Ashley Hsu, Curtis Institute of Music, "The Surrealism of Alice Munro"
- ❖ Abigail Barnett, Edinboro University, "Women in Canadian Literature, Ecriture Feminine and the Postmodernist Classicist Revival: Anne Carson and Margaret Atwood"
- ❖ Jeanne Minahan McGinn, "On Falling"

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Keynote Speaker	Upper Fallsview Studio A	12:30 – 1:30 PM
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Jim Bradley's talk will be a retrospective account of Canadian – American environmental relations and his longstanding experience in this portfolio. Jim Bradley is the MPP for St. Catharines. He was first elected to the Ontario legislature in 1977 and has been re-elected eleven consecutive times. He was appointed Minister of the Environment in October 2011. Bradley currently serves as the Chair of Cabinet and has served as Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Municipal Affairs and Housing, Transportation, Tourism, Minister Responsible for Seniors and Government House Leader. He served as interim leader of the Ontario Liberal Party from November 1991 to April 1992. Before his election to the legislature, Bradley was a teacher with the Lincoln County Board of Education. He also served as a member of the St. Catharines City Council from 1970 to 1977.

5. Niagara Region Tourism Studies **Strategy Room 5&6** **1:30 - 3:00 PM**
Session Chair: tba

- ❖ **Brian de Ruiter, Brock U, "Still Protecting Canada" Ghosts and the War of 1812 in Niagara-on-the-Lake"**
- ❖ **Joan Coutu, U of Waterloo, "A New Line of Defense: Tourism and Canadian History in 1930s Ontario"**
- ❖ **Anna Kumechko, Brock/SUNY Buffalo, "Seasonality in the Tourism of Greater Niagara, Canada and the USA"**

- ❖ Charles Deshaies, U Maine, "The Little By-Election That Actually Mattered: The South York 1942 Campaign"
- ❖ Charles Greenawalt II, Millersville U, "Justin Trudeau, Savior or Scavenger – Just Watch Me"
- ❖ Howard Cody, U Maine, "Prospects for Canada's Fifth Party System"

7. Media Representations	Strategy Room 5&6	3:15 - 4:45 PM
Session Chair: tba		

- ❖ Dylan McLean, UB-SUNY, "Firearms and Political Meaning: Evidence from Internet Discussion Forums"
- ❖ Eric Weeks, Bridgewater State, "Watching the Border: The American-Canadian Border as a Filmed Plot Device"
- ❖ Marsha Ann Tate, Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, "Revisiting the Due South Due South Cyberfandom on Its Twentieth Anniversary"

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8. Symbols, Nationalism and Identity II Strategy Room 7

3:15 - 4:45 PM

Session Chair/Discussant: tba

- ❖ Andrew Holman, Bridgewater State, "In The Field: Lacrosse and Identity in the 'All-Canadian' Team Tour of Australia, 1907."
- ❖ Ross Fox, UofT/ROM, "The Beaver as Symbol of Upper Canada"

Dinner in the "Honeymoon Capital of the World"

Saturday September 27th

Registration and Coffee

Upper Fallsview Studio A

7:30 - 8:30 AM

9. Canada - US Energy Issues

Strategy Room 5&6

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ David Yerger, Indiana U of Pennsylvania, "The Shale Gas Revolution: Its Current and Potential Impacts on Ontario's Economic Relationship with the USA and Western Canada."
- ❖ Brendan Burke, Suffolk U, "Network Responses to the Threat and Reality of Climate Change."
- ❖ Barry Rabe, U of Michigan, "The Durability of American and Canadian Climate Policy"

10. Migrant Voices: Oral Histories of Contemporary Immigrants and Refugees in Canada

Strategy Room 7

8:30 - 10:00 AM

Session Chair: Christopher Stuart Taylor, Government of Ontario

- ❖ Nassisse Solomon, Western U/MER, "Space, Race, and Recreation: The Mystique of the Falls and the Attraction of Immigrant Families in Leisure Time"
- ❖ Jon Malek, Western U/MER, "Shores of White Sand to Snow Banks: Memories of Migration in the Winnipeg Filipina/o Community"
- ❖ Shezan Muhammedi, Western U/MER, "40 Years After Expulsion: Oral Histories of Ugandan Asian Refugees in Canada"

Break/Coffee

Upper Fallsview Studio A

10:00 - 10:15 AM

11. Depictions of Niagara Falls

Strategy Room 5&6

10:15 - 11:45 PM

Session Chair: tba

- ❖ Carla Puppin, Curtis Institute, "Water, Water Everywhere: Depicting Niagara Falls in the Visual Arts"
- ❖ Sonya Marie de Lazzer, Brock U, "Niagara's Sublime: Introducing Locality to the Aesthetic History of the Niagara Horseshoe Falls"
- ❖ Margaret Ball, East Stroudsburg U, "The Shaw Festival and the Development and Influence of Stage Managers in Canada"

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12. Migration and Borders: Then and Now Strategy Room 7

10:15 - 11:45 PM

Session Chair: Stephanie Bangarth, King's University College at Western University

- ❖ Andrew McLaughlin, U of Waterloo, "Refuge amongst Friends: The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation and the Underground Railroad"
- ❖ Robert McLaughlin, U of Hartford, "Ulster Loyalism in Canada, 1970-1986: Canada's Dirty Little Secret"
- ❖ Andy Cameron, Brock U/U Buffalo, "Industry of Inequality Distilled Through US and Canadian Migrant Workers"

Lunch

Upper Fallsview Studio A

11:45 - 12:45PM

Keynote Speaker

Upper Fallsview Studio A

12:45 - 2:00 PM

Richard B. Wright, award-winning Canadian author

Richard Wright is the author of 14 books, including the multiple award-winning novel, *Clara Callan* (2001) which won the Governor General's Award for Fiction in 2001 and the Giller Prize and the Trillium Book Award that same year. He is also a Member of the Order of Canada. Wright studied radio and television arts at the Ryerson Institute of Technology (now Ryerson University). He worked briefly as a radio and newspaper journalist, and then joined Macmillan Company of Canada. Wright worked first as an editor and then as a sales manager. He returned to university to study English Literature at Trent University (BA 1972). After graduation he became a teacher at Ridley College, a position he held until his retirement in 2001.

- ❖ **Session Chair: David Staines, University of Ottawa**

This keynote is sponsored by the Association of Canadian Studies in the United States

13. Teaching Canada Panel Discussion Strategy Room 5&6

2:00 - 3:45 PM

Session Chair: Robert Bence, Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts

- ❖ Nick Baxter-Moore (Brock) & Munroe Eagles (UB), "Teaching - and Reaching - Across Borders: Interdisciplinary Methods in the Borderland"
- ❖ Claire Campbell, Bucknell University, "Too peaceable a kingdom: Canadian studies as a tool for change"
- ❖ Leroy Wright, Kathy Wright, Russell Dodson, student tba, Mansfield University, "From Mansfield to the Maritimes: Learning across Borders"

Break/Coffee

Upper Fallsview Studio A

3:45 - 4:00PM

14. MANECCS Executive Meeting

Strategy Room 7

4:00 - 5:00 PM

- ❖ MANECCS Business meeting: everyone welcome! Come help shape the future of MANECCS.
- ❖ Concluding Remarks and Observations for the 2014 Biennial Conference

Dinner in the "Honeymoon Capital of the World"

Exhibit I

Sunday September 29th

Informal Visiting/Departure

Acknowledgements

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the membership of MANECCS I would like to express deep gratitude for the generous support of the following individuals and organizations for helping to make this year's biennial conference such a wonderful success:

- ❖ The Association for Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS)
- ❖ The Canadian Studies Program, Bridgewater State University
- ❖ The Pennsylvania Canadian Studies Consortium
- ❖ Center for the Study of Canada – SUNY Plattsburgh State
- ❖ Academic Dean's Office, King's University College at Western University
- ❖ University of Toronto Press

Sincerely,

Dr. Stephanie Bangarth
Vice-President and 2014 Biennial Coordinator, MANECCS

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(Author's Note: Dr. Keough's talk was well-received by the audience of graduate students and faculty members. Her presence at the colloquium series was possible via contacts made through Canadian Studies. It was at the ACSUS Biennial in Tampa, Florida in November of 2013 that I met Dr. Keough and had occasion to hear her conference presentation which I knew would be of interest to the members of MER where I currently serve as its Director. It is worth noting that this connection was made possible through the world of Canadian Studies. It also speaks to the importance of showcasing our work through biennial conferences. Stephanie Bangarth, King's University College at Western University)

Blogging and the Use of Images in "Teaching Canada"

Claire Campbell (Bucknell University), who is one our new Councilors-At-Large, has created a blog in which she discusses methods and tools for teaching about Canada. In the first installment of her blog, Claire shows readers eleven of her favourite images for teaching about Canada. Take a look at them here: October 1, 2014.



The second installment is an exploration of "wilderness" as it is reflected in Canadian cultural and historical consciousness. See what she has to say here: October 14, 2014. In the third installment the focus is on the concept of "north" from its romance to its place in the economic and social reality that is Canada. Take a close look here: November 12, 2014.

Claire's blog is part of the Network in Canadian History & Environment (NICHE) website. According to the website, NICHE "is a confederation of researchers and educators

who work at the intersection of nature and history, seeking to provide [an historical] context" which, in turn would facilitate "understanding today's environment."

Perhaps Claire's hope and vision for the blog is best portrayed in her own words: "Teaching to Americans has me wondering what are the absolutely essential things non-Canadians should know about Canadian history, let alone Canadian environmental history." As teachers of all things Canadian, most, if not all of us, have asked the same question. The blog helps us to begin to find those "essential things" which non-Canadians should know about Canada.

Visit the blog and see if your choices for the "absolutely essential" match Claire's.



A Changing of the Guard

MANECCS would like to recognize the following members for their indefatigable service to the Executive Board over the past years.

Marsha Ann Tate. Marsha has just finished her term as Past President. It was during her stewardship that we saw a renewed emphasis in Canadian social history and popular culture. While President and Vice-President Marsha provided invaluable support in the maintenance of the MANECCS website. Marsha is the original web enthusiast for MANECCS. Marsha is author of several books and many articles on Canadian culture and the founder of Tate Research & Training Services and also works as an adjunct faculty member at Pennsylvania Highlands Community College, where she teaches communications, computer and English courses. She maintains

websites on Canadian Media Industries Research and the American Summer Colonies at Cohouge and Muskoka. Her current research involves an extensive study of the popular television show *Due South*.

Robert Bookmiller. Bob was one of the original pioneers of the MANECCS Board and it was during his tenure that we moved to greater cooperation with other regional Canadian Studies associations. Bob was the lead organizer for one of the largest MANECCS gatherings in Harrisburg in 2004 and put together the joint MANECCS/SACS conference held in Washington, D.C. in 2008. Bob is Associate Professor of Government and Political Affairs at Millersville University and the Director of the university's International Studies Program.

Richard Kay. Richard served MANECCS as a Councilor over the period of four conferences. He was a champion of our Scholar Exchange program and a supporter of MANECCS' interest in publishing materials about Canada. A leading scholar on constitutional law, Richard is Associate Dean for Research and Faculty Development and Wallace Stevens Professor of Law at University of Connecticut School of Law.

Holly Garnett. Holly was our first Student Councilor and is currently finishing her doctorate at McGill University in Political science. She student member of the Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship. Her research focuses on election administration and voter participation.



Eakin Visiting Fellowship

The McGill Institute for the Study of Canada (MISC) is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for the Eakin Visiting Fellowship in Canadian Studies for the Fall 2015 and Winter 2016 terms.

The Fellowship is awarded for periods of one or two academic semesters to an active scholar focusing on studies related to Canada. It is awarded for periods of one or two academic semesters to a scholar with a Ph.D., normally on sabbatical from their own academic institution. The position is open, in terms of rank and discipline, to dynamic scholars who can enrich the study of Canada with fresh perspectives. The Fellowship may also be awarded to an individual outside of the academic community, whose writing, research or public career are making a significant contribution to intellectual life in Canada.

The incumbent is expected to teach one undergraduate course in Canadian Studies at McGill University, deliver the Eakin Lecture (one Fellow per year), participate in the activities of the Institute, and pursue exchanges with colleagues at McGill and other institutions.

The Fellowship will offer a stipend of \$12,000 per semester.

Applicants are invited to send:

- Letter of Application
- Curriculum Vitae
- Letter of Reference
- Course Proposal for an Advanced Seminar in Canadian Studies (one page maximum)
- Indication of term preference: Fall 2014 or Winter 2015 or full academic year

Please send application materials by **January 9, 2015** to

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or by email

Phone: (514) 398-8920

Fax: (514) 398-7336

The Eakin Visiting Fellowship in Canadian Studies was created with the generous support of the Eakin Family in memory of William R. Eakin.

(Editor's Note: MANECCS members Claire Campbell and Andy Holman have been recipients of this Fellowship.)

Around MANECCS

At Bridgewater State

On October 30, Bridgewater State University was privileged to have Linden MacIntyre on campus to present the Canadian Studies Program's 14th Distinguished Canadian Address. MacIntyre, a renowned television investigative journalist with CBC's successful program *The Fifth Estate* (1990- 2014), is also an acclaimed novelist and the winner of the 2009 Scotiabank Giller Prize for his book, *The Bishop's Man*. MacIntyre's talk was timely and insightful, focusing as it did upon the recent terror-related violence in St-Jean, Quebec and on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Presenting the evidence about the episodes from a critical perspective, he advised the audience at BSU that while we combat terrorism we must also avoid "fearism," or the tendency among western populations to be less critical of government authority in the wake of terror attacks.



More News at Bridgewater State

Bridgewater State University will hold its first travel course to Nunavut, Canada during the Summer of 2015. The course, which will run from June 30 to July 16, with first spend several days in Ottawa before traveling to Nunavut for a multi-disciplinary investigation of the Canadian Arctic. For more information contact Brian Payne at brian.payne@bridgew.edu.

Brian Payne, Associate Professor of History at Bridgewater State University, will present the second annual Bridgewater-McGill Plattsburgh Lecture on "The Best Fishing Station: The Fisheries of Prince Edward Island in the Era of Reciprocity Trade and Confederation Politics." The first presentation will be at Plattsburgh State University on April 1 and the second presentation will be at McGill University in April 2.

At Bucknell University

The Northeast-Atlantic Canada Environmental History Forum will hold its fourth annual workshop at Bucknell University in the summer of 2015. Plans are still tentative but any interested individual should contact Brian Payne at brian.payne@bridgew.edu.



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Teaching Canada: The Story Continues

Our 2014 Biennial Conference concluded with a panel discussion that showcased different approaches to "Teaching Canada." The discussion exposed three different approaches and methodologies, viz., university partnerships which create an opportunity for teaching across borders, using Canadian Studies as an instrument of change, and immersing U.S. students in the regional culture of the Maritimes. This issue of News & Views begins with a continuation of those discussions. Here we explore the use of images in teaching about Canadian history and the Canadian environment, and we read a report on the value of scholarly exchanges in the teaching of Canada.

The Value of Visiting Scholars in Canadian Studies

On Thursday October 30th, the Collaborative Graduate Program in Migration and Ethnic Relations at Western University in London, ON welcomed Dr. Sara Beth Keough, Associate Professor of Geography at Saginaw Valley State University to present her research to our Fall Colloquium Series. Dr. Keough is well-known to Canadian Studies circles in the United States through her involvement in ACSUS.

The Collaborative Graduate Program in Migration and Ethnic Relations (MER) at Western University brings together graduate students and faculty to study questions of migration, ethnic relations, cultural diversity, conflict, acculturation and the integration of

migrants, from the perspective of various social science, arts and humanities disciplines. To that end, Dr. Keough's talk, "Migration into Fort McMurray, Alberta: Implications for Urban Planning and Social Capital in a Resource-Dependent Community" focused on the city of Fort McMurray and explored two themes that have arisen as a result of internal migration to this region: first, at a regional scale, the impact of Fort McMurray's population growth on urban and regional planning and second, at a more localized scale, the experience of one cultural group, Newfoundlanders, in their efforts to build and maintain social capital in both their destination and place of origin. As a result of the booming oil economy in Alberta, other parts of Canada have experienced population losses to the province, and in particular the city of Fort McMurray which has seen unprecedented growth as migrants from other regions of Canada flock to the oil sands region in search of lucrative jobs in that industry. Dr. Keough's research, based on interviews with urban planners and Newfoundland migrants, reveals the inherent connection between local conditions in Fort McMurray and global forces that impact the demand for natural resources and the flow of human capital.

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Teaching Canada: A Panel Discussion

(Editor's Note: Material for this news story was provided by Munroe Eagles, Claire Campbell, and Lee Wright)

The capstone session of the conference will take a look at how faculty can be more creative in advancing their teaching about Canada and be more innovative in developing a Canadian Studies curriculum.

Nick Baxter-Moore (Brock) and Munroe Eagles (Buffalo), with some additional participation of their students, will be discussing their experience with a cross-border (CANAM) research methods seminar that is one of three required courses in the newly launched Joint MA in Canadian American Studies by Brock and UB. The course is distinctive in several ways. First, it is a requirement of the first international joint degree program to be offered by either university. Second, it involves alternate seminar meetings on each campus. Third, it is taught by members of each institution (Munroe and Nick offered it in the fall of 2013 and will do so again this fall). They intend to reflect on some of the challenges and rewards of explicitly and intensively organizing graduate education across borders.

Claire Campbell (Bucknell) asks us how we plan for our programs to be academically rigorous, hoping to inspire curious, critical, and engaged citizens from classroom discussion. Yet it seems that our students - both in and outside of Canada - often expect to have their romantic and mythic ideas about Canada re-presented and affirmed rather than deconstructed, evaluated, and put into context. And many of our colleagues seem to hold the same impression. This is enormously frustrating, not least because we are trying to *improve* the country, not simply praise it; seeing the nation as project, as work in progress.

Based on her history of teaching in Denmark, Nova Scotia, Quebec, and Pennsylvania, Claire

wants to discuss:

- some reasons that Canadian Studies continues to have this image problem;
- examples of creative teaching which have challenged conventional curricula and simplistic thinking, which constitute the field's "secret identity";
- the benefits of thinking about Canadian Studies from the outside, whether outside the academy or the country;
- how greater diversity would enhance both our thinking and our academic legitimacy.

Kathy Wright, Lee Wright, and Russ Dodson (Mansfield) will discuss the 2014 PASSSHE Summer Honors program which provided students with a unique, invigorating experience exploring the Canadian provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. The Canadian Maritimes region is known for many things. Among these include a fascinating geological history and a people who have learned to work with what they have. This multi-disciplinary program focused on the physical geography of the region which spans more than 1.2 billion years and also explored food sustainability in an environment which utilizes localized resources from both the land and sea.

The summer program consisted of 28 students from 14 PASSHE universities. The students had multiple varied experiences ranging from seeing the highest vertical tide changes in the world to going lobster fishing to enjoying a traditional First Nations Mi'kmaq feast. Most of the students had not previously traveled to Canada and none had traveled to the Maritime region. One of the students from the program will join the Mansfield faculty in their discussion.



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Around MANECCS

At Bridgewater

Andy Holman

Dr. Brian Payne, a MANECCS Executive Board member and a professor of History at Bridgewater State University, has been named



BMP Lecturer in Canadian Studies for 2014-15. In the coming year, Dr. Payne will deliver lectures at McGill University in Montreal and at Plattsburgh State University on the subject of "Free Fish, Free Fisheries: The Local and Continental Implications of Free Trade in the Fisheries of the Gulf of St. Lawrence." The BMP lectureship connects the Canadian Studies programs at McGill, Plattsburgh and Bridgewater State through this annual event. Last year, Dr. Erin Hurley (McGill University) presented the inaugural lectures. The program

is a good example of the ways that Canadian Studies programs in Canada and the US can expose their students to scholarly voices across borders and regions.

At ACSUS

Munroe Eagles

The 2015 ACSUS Association of Canadian Studies in the United States) biennial conference will be held October 14-17 at the Tuscany Suites and Casino, Las Vegas, NV. A formal call for proposals will go out in the fall of 2014, but anyone interested should contact the Program Chair, Munroe Eagles, at eagles@buffalo.edu. This conference promises to be one of the most exciting yet. The venue is off-strip but it is located within easy walking distance of Caesar's Palace, the Bellagio, and other Vegas Attractions. Las Vegas enjoys superb accessibility from virtually any North American city, and it is an amazingly welcoming city to the 50 million or so visitors who travel there each year. ACSUS is able to take advantage of the city's low cost and as a result the 2015 should be one of the least expensive ACSUS biennial meetings in recent memory.

**MANECCS Annual Membership
Meeting**

**Saturday September 27, 2014
4:00 PM**

**Sheraton on the Falls
Niagara Falls, Ontario
Strategy Room 7**

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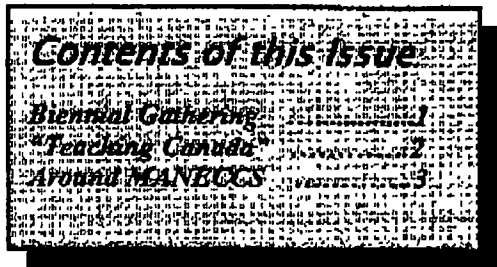
Celebrating Thirty-Three Years of Canadian Studies

On September 26 and 27, fifty scholars, students, and government representatives will gather in Niagara Falls, Ontario for the MANECCS Biennial Conference. Festivities will actually begin at 6 PM on Thursday September 25 with an informal gathering of the conferees. The conference begins in earnest with breakfast at 7:30 AM on Friday September 26, and it concludes with the annual meeting of the membership from 4 to 5 PM on Saturday September 27. Both Friday and Saturday feature luncheon keynote addresses. The capstone of the conference is a panel on "Teaching Canada" from 2:00-3:45 PM on Saturday. This promises to be an exciting panel with ideas which can lead to a reinvigoration of Canadian Studies in the United States. All attending the conference are urged to attend this panel discussion. Details of the panel appear elsewhere in this newsletter.

What else can be expected by the conferees? This biennial gathering features sessions on *Defining Canada, 19th Century North America, Symbols and National Identity, Canadian Literature, Canada/US Energy Issues, Oral Histories of Immigrants and Refugees to Canada, Depictions of Niagara Falls, Niagara region Tourism Studies, Canadian Politics, Media Representations of Canada, and Migrations and the US/Canada Border.*

Friday's luncheon keynote will be given by the Hon. James Bradley (MPP-St. Catharines) on the topic of "Canadian - American Environmental Relations: A Look Back, A Look Ahead." Saturday's luncheon keynote will be given by award-winning Canadian author, Richard B. Wright.

The MANECCS conference has received generous support from: *The Association from Canadian Studies in the United States (ACSUS); The Canadian Studies Program at Bridgewater University; The Pennsylvania Canadian Studies Consortium; The Center for the Study of Canada at SUNY Plattsburgh; The Academic Dean's Office, Kings University College at Western University; The University of British Columbia Press; and The University of Toronto Press.*



Please visit the conference website (<http://maneccsbiennial2014.wordpress.com/>) for more detailed information about the conference, including a number of abstracts, a list of presenters, and other features of the conference.

EXHIBIT II

the Niagara Region: An Interdisciplinary Case Study."

Topics for this special theme include, but are not limited to:

- The History and Geography of the Region (this could include a focus on wine production) as well as its military significance of the region in early Upper Canada/New York state, War of 1812, Underground Railroad, First Nations, etc.
- Environmental Issues
- Strategic Importance and Security - historically and currently
- The Falls in Popular Culture: Art, Literature, Media, History
- Economic significance - International Business and Tourism
- Theatre, Performing Arts, and the Shaw Festival



Hotel Information

We have reserved a block of rooms for conference participants at the Sheraton on the Falls Hotel (5875 Falls Ave., Niagara Falls, ON L2G 3K7).

The Sheraton on the Falls (<http://www.sheratononthefalls.com/>) is an award-winning resort and conference hotel with a number of restaurants and other amenities on site, including themed restaurants such as the Hard Rock Café and Planet Hollywood, indoor and outdoor pools (overlooking the falls from the rooftop!), and is convenient to area attractions such as Casino Niagara, world class wineries, and a number of golf courses. We have negotiated a competitive rate of \$129 CDN/night for conference attendees in rooms that were newly appointed in 2012.

Book your accommodations **before August 25, 2014** at this website reserved for MANECCS biennial conference attendees: <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/maneccs14>.

You can also reach the hotel by phone at (905) 374-4445 or 1-888-229-9961. Be sure to mention that you are with the MANECCS conference so that you get the conference rate!

Travel

Here is some general travel information.

Niagara Falls is a city accessible to both Canadian and American scholars. If you are flying it is only minutes from four International Airports: 15 minutes from Niagara Falls International Airport (IAG); 30 minutes from the Buffalo Niagara International Airport (BUF); 45 minutes from the Hamilton International Airport (YHM); and 90 minutes from Toronto Pearson International Airport (YYZ) and Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport (YTZ). If you are coming by train, VIA Rail and Amtrak provide daily service to Niagara Falls with connections throughout Ontario, Quebec and New York. If you are coming by bus the Niagara Falls bus terminal services Coach Canada, GO Transit, Greyhound Canada, Megabus, and Niagara Transit. More information about ground transportation from Buffalo Niagara International Airport is available at the following site: <http://buffaloairport.com/Canadian/Ground.aspx>.

Don't forget your passport!

EXTENSION OF DEADLINE

The deadline for the submission of proposals for the Biennial meeting in Niagara Falls has been extended to April 15, 2014,

Please email all inquiries and materials by April 15, 2014 to:
Stephanie Bangarth, PhD
sbangar@uwo.ca

Around MANECCS

At Bridgewater

Andy Holman

Thursday, March 20: Canadian Studies Lecture, Dr. Anna Wacławek (Concordia University, Montreal, Canada), "Graffiti and Street Art"

Anna Wacławek teaches in the Department of Art History at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada and author of *Graffiti and Street Art* (Thames & Hudson, 2011). Her book analyses the increasingly important roles of street art in urban visual culture. This talk was offered in concert with Prof. Steve Smalley's BSU class on Graffiti and Street Art.

Tuesday, March 25: Inaugural BMP Lecture in Canadian Studies, Dr. Erin Hurley (McGill University, Inaugural BMP Lecturer in Canadian Studies), "Performing the Nation in Quebec"

Erin Hurley writes and teaches about theatre and identity-making. She is the author of the award-winning book *National Performance: Representing Quebec from Expo 67 to Céline Dion* (Toronto, 2011). In this talk, Dr. Hurley examined the relationship between nationalism and theatre performance in the

French-speaking province of Quebec. The BMP Lecture in Canadian Studies is an annual series that connects lecturers and audiences at Bridgewater State, McGill University and Plattsburgh State University of New York on timely and scholarly topics.

Monday, April 14: Canadian Studies and First Nations Lecture, Dr. Marianne Stenbaek (McGill University), "Sovereignty Starts at

Home: Inuit Nunaat and Sovereignty,"

Heritage Room, Maxwell Library, 1:50-3:15 pm

Marianne Stenbaek teaches courses on Inuit and First Nations literature, and on Northern Regions at McGill. She is author and editor of several books and articles on Nunavik and Greenland and is presently writing a book on Nunavimmiut writings (Inuit from Nunavik) with Minnie Grey, a distinguished Inuk.

The talk is co-sponsored by BSU's Canadian Studies Program and its U.S. Indigenous and Ethnic Studies Program.

Thursday, April 17: Canadian Studies Annual Spring Symposium.

Also in the works is the Annual Spring Symposium which, this year, will focus on the timely issue of US and Canadian Veterans' Health Issues. The Surgeon-General of Canada, Brigadier-General Robert Bernier will deliver the keynote address. Also participating are Dr. Terence Keane (Boston University), a leading PTSD researcher, Dr. Stephanie Belanger (Royal Military College of Canada), Director of the Canadian Institute for Military Veterans Health Research, Dr. Victoria Bacon (Bridgewater State), Mr. Joseph Miller (University of Maine), and Dr. Joel Sokolsky (former Principal of RMCC and holder of the 2013-14 Killam Professorship in Canadian Studies at BSU).

At MCLA

Bob Bence

The North American Model United Nations (NAMUN) is organized and conducted by University of Toronto students. This year (19-23 February) Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (MCLA) was one of 29 Canadian and U.S. universities sending teams of delegates to participate in both historical and contemporary international decision-making committees.

While the challenging UN simulations are valuable learning experiences, just as important is the very Canadian venue. At the opening meeting a choral rendition of *O Canada* preceded the keynote address by The Honorable Bill Graham, former MP, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of National Defense. Through various interactions with their northern neighbor delegates Massachusetts students intentionally and unintentionally gained knowledge and perspectives on both Canadian and the U.S.

Bob Bence welcomes any questions by other faculty considering student participation in NAMUN.

MANECCS President to Assume New Academic Post

Current MANECCS President Joe McGinn will be moving from his current position as Dean of the Honors College at Towson University to take the provost's position at the University of Maine at Farmington.

Joe and his wife Jeanne have contributed much to our organization both in terms of executive leadership and conference organization. One has to merely recall the concerts and organization of our last meeting in Philadelphia.

In her announcement to the UMF community, UMF President Kathryn A. Foster said, "Dr. McGinn brings an impressive combination of intellectual savvy and leadership experience to UMF. Friendly, thoughtful, approachable, diplomatic, principled, professional, and academically sophisticated, Dr. McGinn is a careful listener and articulate communicator who has already shown great knowledge of



and enthusiasm for UMF, Western Maine and the University of Maine System." All who have worked with Joe over the years would agree with these sentiments.

Both Joe and Jeannie are looking forward to working together in Maine and to the new challenges in front of them.

Given his long time commitment to Canadian Studies, it should be considered as significant that Joe will be assuming his new position as Provost on July 1, 2014.

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MANECCS NEWS & VIEWS

The Newsletter of the Middle Atlantic and New England Council for Canadian Studies April 2014

A Gathering in Niagara Falls

The Middle Atlantic and New England Council for Canadian Studies (MANECCS) continues preparations for its biennial conference to be held at the *Sheraton on the Falls* in Niagara Falls, Ontario, Canada on September 25 – 27, 2014.

Keynote Address

We are pleased that the Hon. James Bradley (MPP – St. Catharines) Minister of the Environment for Ontario, will be our keynote speaker at the 2014 MANECCS Biennial Conference.

His keynote address is titled, "*Canadian-American Environmental Relations: A Look Back, A Look Ahead.*" It will be a retrospective account of Canadian – American environmental relations and his longstanding experience in this portfolio.



The keynote talk will take place during the MANECCS luncheon on Friday, September 27, 2014.

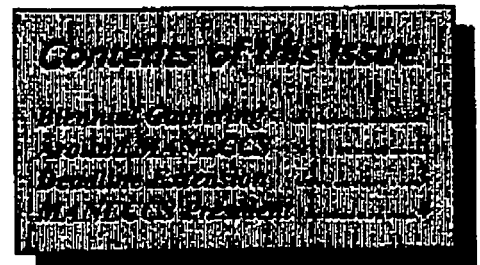
Jim Bradley is the MPP for St. Catharines. He was first elected to the Ontario legislature in 1977 and has been re-elected ten consecutive times. He was appointed Minister of the Environment in October 2011.

Bradley has served as Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services, Municipal Affairs and Housing, Transportation, Tourism, Minister Responsible for Seniors and Government House Leader. He served as interim leader of the Ontario Liberal Party from November 1991 to April 1992.

Before his election to the legislature, Bradley was a teacher with the Lincoln County Board of Education. He also served as a member of the St. Catharines City Council from 1970 to 1977.

Conference Focus

With the incredible natural setting of the Canadian falls just across from our conference venue, and considering the impressive opportunity that hosting a conference in the Niagara Region offers us, we are inspired to take our cue from the local area and establish a special theme within the larger conference on "Niagara Falls and



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BUDGET NARRATIVE 2014

2014 proved to be a successful year for MANECCS. Thanks to the support of an increased membership we organized and implemented a successful biennial conference at Niagara Falls, Ontario, as well as insure that the organization will be able to continue promoting the study of Canada among its members and their students.

MANECCS continued to promote our goals by:

- Continual updating the MANECCS website, which provides members with access to organization activities and links to various source materials. A record of those accessing our website demonstrates its success in reaching both members of our organization, and the world-wide Canadian studies community.
- Published on-line MANECCS News and Views, which highlights activities at member campuses, as well as offer scholarly perspectives on Canada. The circulation of this publication via the MANECCS website has progressively increased in the last three years.
- Increased the organization's membership by at least 15, with 10 of those being students.
- Most significantly, MANECCS served its old and new members by sponsoring our annual conference, September 25-27 at Niagara Falls, Ontario. Over 40 Canadian scholars participated in the varied program, sharing knowledge and perspectives on Canada.

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