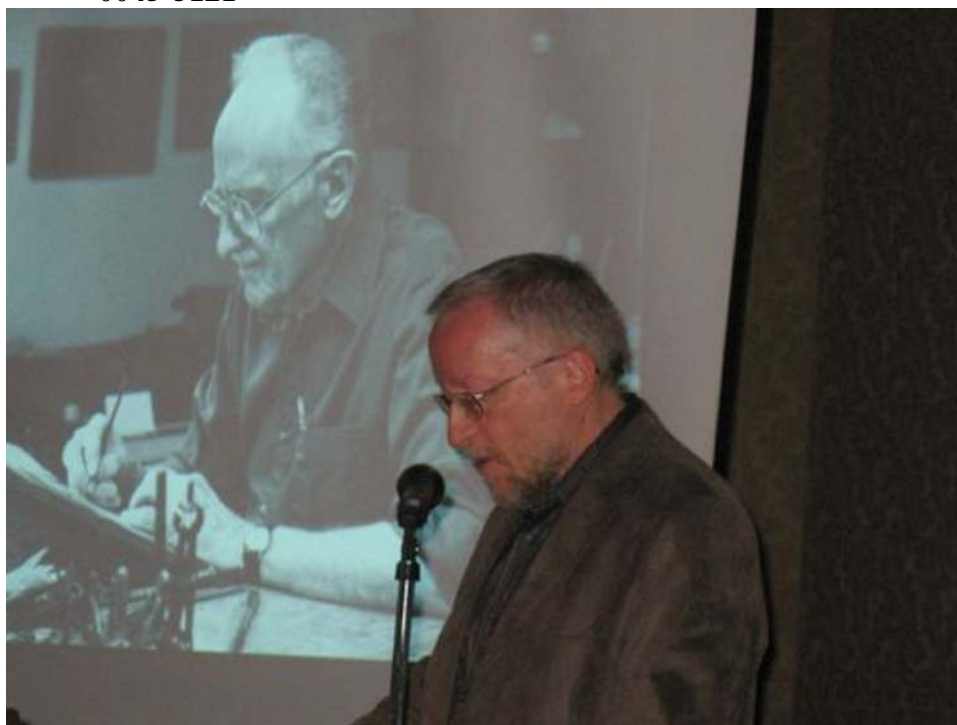


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**Walter Muma, son of CSCL founder Robert Muma presents “A Life Lived Creatively”**

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## Notes from the Editor...

All the planning and preparations are complete, all the worries and glitches are put aside and the goal becomes "Celebrate 60 years of CSCL". These are the thoughts I had, along with my team, on the afternoon of the 14th of May, 2010. Woodstock Branch CSCL was hosting the Annual Weekend at the Quality Hotel in Woodstock. Not only was it to be an Annual, but it was the 60th Anniversary...the Diamond Anniversary, of an organization I have been associated with for 35 years. Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft was started in 1950 in Toronto. Those crafters wanted a society distinctly Canadian - they were already skilled leather workers and they wanted to teach and share and further their love of leather. In the earliest editions of the bulletin "Canadian Leathercraft", names like Deane Russell (1st President), Robert Muma (Treasurer), Reta Lamour (started the lending library and drafted the constitution) worked tirelessly to gather leathercrafters into branches and organize huge sales at the Canadian National Exhibition, Central Canada Exhibition, and the Pacific National Exhibition. Early in 1952, the Society mounted a travelling Exhibition that crossed Canada for four months.

When I joined CSCL about 1975, a number of the Charter Members were still active - I learned turned edges and skiving techniques from Fred Brown FCSCL, Helen Wheaton FCSCL showed me glovemaking, Robert Muma shared his subtle colouring and tooling. Up and comers were Ruth Haig FCSCL blowing away the competition with a leather Lunch Box, Carol McLean FCSCL receiving her Fellowship the same year (1975) I got my first Salon Ribbon. Irva Ford FCSCL, the Hamilton President, working her shift at the CNE and calling me with a suggestion on how to improve an item I had submitted.

As the years passed, new "stars" filled the CSCL Annual Display tables - Sean Dalgetty FCSCL, Nancy Durham FCSCL, Karla Van Horne, Lillian Kay, Joyce Scruton ACSCL, Peter Grove FCSCL, Hilda Chynoweth, Bill Whittingham, Silva Fox, Bruce White, Jack Meharg, Loreen Manuel, David McPherson FCSCL, and many others.

We started the CSCL Leather Quilt, made by members, in 1990, at the 40th Anniversary, and brought it along to the 60th; it is newly restrung, and about 20 new pieces have been added. Some members are no longer with us, making it all the more special. The quilt is just another way that CSCL continues to honour its members and their skills.

"Canadian Leathercraft" is your source of information about CSCL and it's members. Check out the CSCL website at [www.canadianleathercraft.org](http://www.canadianleathercraft.org)

As always, if you have questions, comments, or even a future article for this newsletter, contact your Editor, Madeleine Mitchell at [madean@execulink.com](mailto:madean@execulink.com)

**CSCL Memberships were due April 1, 2010 –but Tracey wants your name!**

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**Or see your Branch Treasurer**

## Highlights from Executive Council Meetings...

### April 2010 highlights-

- New Award categories for the Annual will include a **Jewellery Award** from Dorothy McPherson and Marion Kehoe, a **Non-Traditional Piece Award** from the late Hilda Chynoweth, and a **Wearable Award** from the Toronto Branch, and **Hard Sculpture Award** from the Mississauga Branch.
- Bookmarks for advertising “**LEATHER 2010 : CONTAINMENT**” Have been produced and will be available at the Annual for members to distribute. Opening Ceremony at OCC will be held Thursday, August 26, 2010 from 5:30 to 8:30pm at the OCC Gallery. All Welcome! Further details follow.
- the Lamour Lending Library will be collected at the May 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting –Branch Presidents please note.
- Tracey Howard, Membership Chair reported a total of 80 members in CSCL.

### May 15, 2010 highlights-

- CSCL fund for Education will provide the fee for the Guest Workshop on Sunday, May 16 at the Annual.
- New Slate of Officers for the CSCL Executive Council for 2010-2012 presented. To be moved and approved at the Annual General Meeting.
- Barbara Chynoweth and Phyllis McHale authorized to review the Treasurer’s Books.

## “**LEATHER 2010: CONTAINMENT**”

**Celebrating 60 years of Leatherwork  
at the Ontario Crafts Council Gallery  
990 Queen St., West  
Toronto, ON**

**You are Invited to the Exhibition Opening  
at the OCC Gallery  
Thursday, August 26, 2010  
5:30 to 8:30 pm**

**Show continues through September 19, 2010**

**Gallery Hours (closed Mondays)**

|                         |                     |
|-------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Tuesday – Friday</b> | <b>11am –5pm</b>    |
| <b>Saturdays</b>        | <b>11am – 6pm</b>   |
| <b>Sundays</b>          | <b>12Noon – 5pm</b> |

# CSCL's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual Weekend Report

## May 14, 15, 16, 2010

### Hosted by the Woodstock Branch CSCL

#### at the Woodstock Quality Hotel

Back in 1950 when CSCL began, Louis St Laurent was Prime Minister of Canada, and the Toronto Maple Leafs won the Stanley Cup! (against the Montreal Canadiens)

About 40 CSCL members spent a lovely May weekend at the Woodstock Quality Hotel at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Weekend of Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft. Madeleine Mitchell, President of the Woodstock Branch CSCL, and her team of local members welcomed CSCLers from Hamilton, Mississauga, Toronto, and Norland.



During the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

As the Friday evening fell, Branch Display tables were set up, friends embraced, and the CSCL Fellows and Associates prepared to Judge the amazing leather articles at the 60<sup>th</sup>. Marion Kehoe, member of Woodstock CSCL for over 50 years, demonstrated her "Creative Jewelry" to an enthusiastic crowd in the Hospitality Suite. Marion's "Potato" Jewelry fascinated the group. Snacks and conversation followed. Saturday May 15, 2010 began with Phyllis McHale, President of CSCL opening the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of CSCL. After a welcome from Madeleine Mitchell, President of the Woodstock Branch CSCL, Phyllis presented her President's Report followed by Annual Reports by Executive Officers and Committees, including the Treasurer's Report. The new Slate of Officers for 2010-2012 was presented, noting some new faces. See the complete list on Page 10. If you wish to receive a copy of all the Annual Reports, please contact Barbara Chynoweth, at [bardell@slstream.net](mailto:bardell@slstream.net) or 701-45 Balliol St., Toronto, ON M4S 1C3.

Discussion followed regarding the upcoming Biennial Exhibition **LEATHER 2010:CONTAINMENT** opening August 26<sup>th</sup> at the OCC Gallery in Toronto.

This year three Branches entered the Weston Trophy Branch competition – Mississauga, Woodstock and the Winning Entry from Hamilton! Congratulations to Rob Regan, Laima Sellmer, Amy Kenny, and Lester Pinter. See the photos of their pieces on Page 8.

Ribbons were next on the agenda and Lauch Harrison ACSCL, presented Participation Ribbons to everyone who had articles judged on the Display Tables. He then went on to present Craftsman and Salon Ribbons, the complete list is included in this issue.

Nancy Durham FCSCL reminded members that the CSCL Question box is available for asking questions about leather crafting as well as concerns about judging concerns and CSCL standards.

Following the Lunch Break, Lauch Harrison ACSCL demonstrated “Sharpening an Awl” and answered questions about tools and their maintenance. Lauch has a wealth of knowledge that he generously shares. Hamilton Branch even donated a Stitching Horse for a Special Draw.

During the afternoon break–Ticket Draws, the always fun time, took place – with members swooping up the many treasures they could not live without! Many Thanks from the Woodstock Branch for the wonderful Special Draw items from Tundra Leather Hamilton, Tandy Leather Factory Mississauga, the CSCL Branches, and CSCL Members.

Sean Dalgetty FCSCL came to Woodstock’s rescue and presented his Workshop on making a “Needle Case” during the second session of the afternoon. Another workshop leader couldn’t make it and Sean, kindly filled in and did a great job –Thanks Sean!

Some outside guests visited in the late afternoon as the workshop was wrapping up.

The evening activities started with mingling and music in the Joe Boyle Room. A duo composed of “Banjo Jim and Tuba Tom” entertained prior to the start of the Annual Banquet. CSCL Members and guests celebrated 60 years with food and fun, more draws, and the Special Awards Presentations. David McPherson FCSCL presented these prestigious prizes to deserving CSCL crafters. The list is enclosed in this edition.

Outgoing President Phyllis Mchale was presented with a gift by incoming CSCL President, Barbara Chynoweth.

More entertainment followed by Banjo Jim Groulx and Tuba Tom Elliot. With lots of toe tapping and spoons clacking...



Della on the Spoons with Banjo Jim

Carol McLean FCSCL was called on to introduce our Special Guest Walter Muma presenting “A Life Lived Creatively”.

Walter's parents, Robert and Dorothy Muma were well known in CSCL as founding members, excellent resources of CSCL history, and dedicated Judges for many years. Walter spoke eloquently of his father's love of crafting, art, nature, especially mosses. He was able to interconnect his heritage with his own passion for nature. Walter's adventures throughout Canada were illustrated with thrilling images and descriptions of nature that were inspiring, humorous, and creative. Lauren McPherson thanked Walter for his excellent presentation.

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cake was served and closed the CSCL Annual Banquet. Members reminisced as the display tables were taken down.

Guest Workshop leader, Vivian Hutcheson of Shakespeare, ON, presented "Creative Gilding on Leather" ON. About 20 CSCL members tried a new technique of applying silver, gold, and variegated gild foil to leather samples that were embossed. Thanks to Peter Grove. Vivian guided members through the various steps and provide a list of where to acquire resources for trying more gild on leather projects.

Vivian Hutcheson owns the "Green Cottage Gallery" and a must see in Shakespeare.

See you all in Hamilton next Spring for the 61<sup>st</sup> Annual!

Officially, the Annual weekend ended after the workshop but some hardworking members moved on to the judging for the biennial exhibition, **LEATHER 2010:CONTAINMENT**. Mark your calendar for the August 26<sup>th</sup> opening and presentation of Awards.

Thanks to the Woodstock Branch team, for your help and support during the Annual Weekend:

Loreen Manuel, Marion Kehoe, Nancy Durham, Lauren McPherson, Joanna Malec, Carol McLean, Janice Sloat, Nancy Wilson, David and Dorothy McPherson.

Special Thanks to Peter Grove, Sean Dalgetty, Lauch Harrison, Liz Howard, all the CSCL Branch Presidents for making a very special 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for CSCL.

### Do You Want to Add a 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Quilt Square?

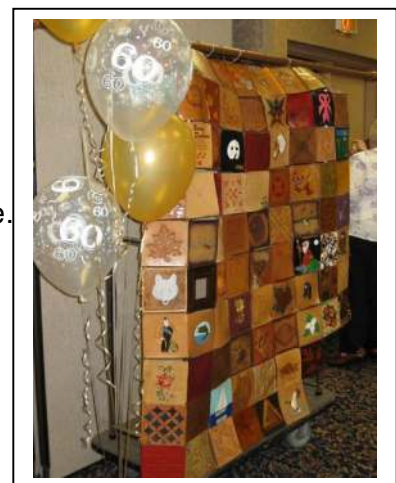
Your unique square can **still** be added to the "CSCL Leather Quilt" for the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Start with a piece of leather, at least 3oz weight, cut a 6"X6" square. Then let your imagination go wild!

#### When your quilt square is complete:

Punch a small hole in each corner, (about 1/4" from the edge)  
Sign your name and the date on the back of your square.

You can send your square to Madeleine Mitchell, 17 Light St., Woodstock, ON N4S 6G7



CSCL Leather Quilt at the 60<sup>th</sup> Annual

## CSCL's 60<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Ribbon Presentations

### SALON RIBBONS 13 RIBBONS TO 9 MEMBERS

|                    |                              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|
| SEAN DALGETTY      | BLUE AND BLACK BOOTS         |
| PETER GROVE        | COVERED CLOCK BOX            |
| CINDY MAGURA       | BLACK BOOTS                  |
| DAVID MCPHERSON    | CARVED RING BINDER           |
| DOROTHY MCPHERSON  | GLOVES WITH BURNED DESIGN    |
| MADELEINE MITCHELL | BLUE BOX                     |
| LESTER PINTER      | PANDORA'S JAR                |
|                    | MASK                         |
|                    | ROSE TOTE BAG                |
|                    | SCISSOR CASE                 |
|                    | SHOULDER BAG                 |
|                    | LIDDED BAG                   |
| ROB REAGAN         | STACK-HANDLED KNIFE & SHEATH |



Sean Dalgetty's Clock Box

### CRAFTSMAN RIBBONS 26 RIBBONS TO 19 MEMBERS

|               |                              |
|---------------|------------------------------|
| DARREN BURGER | <b>JUNIOR</b>                |
| PAT BULLOCK   | STACKED LEATHER BIRD         |
| AMY KENNY     | <b>NOVICE</b>                |
| ROB REGAN     | GARDEN TOTE NON-DYED         |
|               | PEACOCK BELT                 |
|               | BLACK SHOULDER BAG           |
|               | STACK-HANDLED KNIFE & SHEATH |
|               | RED BOTTELL                  |
| LAIMA SELLMER | QUILT SQUARE                 |



Cindy Magura's Burned Design Gloves

|                    |                           |
|--------------------|---------------------------|
| KEN BOROSKI        | <b>GENERAL MEMBER</b>     |
| BRIAN GORING       | HORSE CUFFS               |
| CINDY MAGURA       | AVRO BELT                 |
| MADELEINE MITCHELL | GLOVES WITH BURNED DESIGN |
| LESTER PINTER      | MOULDED FLUTED BOWL       |
|                    | ROSE TOTE BAG             |
|                    | SCISSOR CASE              |
|                    | SHOULDER BAG              |
|                    | LIDDED BAG                |
| KAREN WEBER        | TRIPLE SHOULDER PURSE     |
| JIM WILKES         | GUITAR STRAP              |
| MADELEINE MITCHELL | NAPKIN RINGS              |



Sean Dalgetty's Blue & Black Boots

### ASSOCIATE

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| LAUCH HARRISON | BLACK JACK |
| JOYCE SCRUTON  | RED TRAY   |

### FELLOW

|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| SEAN DALGETTY     | BLUE AND BLACK BOOTS |
| COVERED CLOCK BOX |                      |
| PETER GROVE       | BLACK BOOTS          |
|                   | CARVED RING BINDER   |
| PAUL KITCHENER    | RAYSKIN FLASK        |
| DAVID MCPHERSON   | BLUE BOX             |

**PARTICIPATION RIBBONS:  
TO ALL WHO ENTERED WORK FOR JUDGING  
26 RIBBONS**

**JUNIOR**

DARREN BURGER  
JULIA MALEC

**NOVICE**

PAT BULLOCK  
AMY KENNY  
ROB REAGAN  
LAIMA SELLMER

**ASSOCIATE**

LAUCH HARRISON  
JOYCE SCRUTON

**FELLOW**

SEAN DALGETTY  
PETER GROVE  
PAUL KITCHENER  
DAVID MCPHERSON



Junior Members Darren and Joanna

**GENERAL MEMBERS**

KEN BOROSKI  
SHEENA BURGER  
MARYANNE CRAWFORD  
BRYAN GORING  
MARION KEHOE  
MARY MACDONALD  
CINDY MAGURA  
DOROTHY MCPHERSON  
LAUREN MCPHERSON  
MADELEINE MITCHELL  
LESTER PINTER  
BARRY TAYLOR  
KAREN WEBER  
JIM WILKES

**2010 WESTON TROPHY WINNERS:**

**HAMILTON BRANCH**

ROB REAGAN  
LESTER PINTER  
AMY KENNY  
LAIMA SELLMER

STACK-HANDLED KNIFE AND SHEATH  
ROSE TOTE BAG  
PEACOCK BELT  
QUILT SQUARE



Rob Regan's Knife and Sheath



Amy Kenny's Peacock Belt



Laima Sellmer's Quilt Square



Lester Pinter's Rose Tote Bag

## CSCL 60<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL Special Awards

**BETTY HEACOCK AWARD FOR A NEW OR NOVICE CRAFTER (\$50)**  
 ROB REAGAN                      STACK-HANDELED KNIFE AND SHEATH

**BEST GENERAL MEMBER WORK (\$50)**  
 LESTER PINTER                      ROSE TOTE BAG

**OCC DESIGN AWARD – 1 YEAR CRAFT PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**  
 PETER GROVE                      CARVED RING BINDER

**BEST IN SHOW (\$50 AND BRONZE ZALITIS PIN)**  
 SEAN DALGETTY                      BLUE AND BLACK BOOTS

**LONDON LEATHER AWARD FOR BEST JEWELLERY (\$20)**  
 MARION KEHOE                      MOROCCO AND BRONZE NECKLACE

**TORONTO BRANCH AWARD FOR BEST WEARABLE PIECE (\$20)**  
 CINDY MAGURA                      GLOVES WITH BURNED DESIGN

**Do You Want to See More?**

For pictures of the Special Award Articles and many more images from the CSCL's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual Weekend contact [madean@execulink.com](mailto:madean@execulink.com) for an invitation to view an online album.

### An Era has Passed...

In our last issue of Canadian Leathercraft, Winter 2009-2010, we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, on February 13<sup>th</sup> 2010, of the matriarch of the Chynoweth Family, Hilda Chynoweth.

With sadness we must report that Hilda passed away March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 in her 101<sup>st</sup> year. This year's Annual certainly missed Hilda. Daughters Phyllis McHale, Della Chynoweth, and Barbara Chynoweth paid tribute to their mother who among, her other accomplishments, organized the Norland Leather Branch of CSCL.



**Hilda Chynoweth 1910 -2010**

# ***Canadian Society for Creative Leathercraft***

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