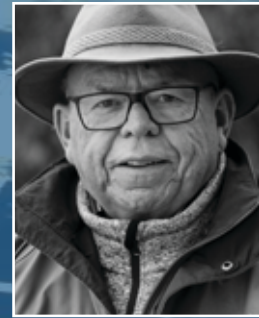
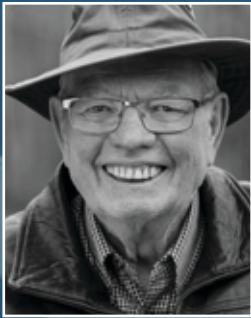


2018

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Leadership Awards



The Latornell Conservation Symposium honours individuals who have demonstrated outstanding contributions to the field of conservation. They were recognized for their innovation, leadership and dedication to the conservation field. Either through their personal activities and/or leadership, they have gone beyond the call of duty or responsibility to an employer, client, or their community.

These individuals have helped to celebrate and inspire innovation in the conservation field and have made a difference to their field of expertise.

Nominations are reviewed and evaluated by a special sub-committee of the Latornell Steering Committee.



MEET THE 2018 AWARD RECIPIENTS

Nels Conroy Lively (Sudbury), ON

Retired – Chair of Sudbury Source Protection Committee
Nominated by: Sudbury Source Protection Authority, Sudbury ON



Nels Conroy served as President of the Water Environment Association of Ontario. Nels was appointed as Chair of the Sudbury Source Protection Committee in August 2007 retiring earlier this year. He holds an undergraduate degree in Biology from University of Guelph and a Masters in Aquatic Chemistry from McMaster University. His career began as an aquatic biologist working on the impact of uranium mining operations and he retired (for the first time) as Vice President of Operations for the Ontario Clean Water Agency.

He has been involved in aspects of the freshwater environment throughout his career from the role of aquatic biology in benchmarking water quality to directing the operations of water and wastewater treatment plants. He made significant contributions to the study of acid rain impacts and has authored many publications on the aquatic

environment including acid rain impacts and restoration of the aquatic ecosystem. He was instrumental in the conception and implementation of the plan to protect Sudbury's drinking water.

Nels is very active in other pursuits as well. He was the Associate Director of the Ontario Outdoors Writers assisting new writers with the craft. In this and other pursuits, Nels' passion for inspiring young people to endorse conservation ideals has been forefront. He was instrumental in the program to restore elk in Ontario and headed the Sudbury Elk Restoration Committee leading their effort to top international status for raising funds for the project.

Nels is a long-standing member of Science North's Science Committee and continues to volunteer for the Canadian Cancer Society. A recent new adventure saw him in North Bay volunteering for the World Women's Curling Championship.

Nels and Carol have two children and six grand children. He thinks it's his job to ensure the grandchildren follow in his footsteps and become experienced outdoors enthusiasts. He quips "it is a tough job but someone has to do it."

Shelley Macpherson Manotick, ON

Regulations Enforcement Officer, Rideau Valley Conservation Authority
Nominated by: Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority, Carleton Place ON



Shelley joined the RVCA in January 1990 as a Resource Technician for Planning and Regulations. Her role evolved over the years and for the last 25+ years she has been responsible mainly for reviewing retroactive applications, compliance and enforcement issues under the Conservation Authorities Act.

She has been a Provincial Offences Officer (since 1993) and was voted, in her class, as the most likely to marry a violator! She was instrumental in the updating of the Enforcement Proposed Amendments in 2012 which compose the regulatory backbone of the new Conservation Authorities Act. Shelley is viewed as an invaluable resource by environmental enforcement staff across the various conservation authorities and in numerous provincial ministries. Shelley is also a leader in the development of the Regulatory Compliance Guidelines which provide a guideline for use by conservation authorities in their enforcement of the

regulation.

She has a Bachelor's Degree from Carleton University in Geography and a Diploma in Municipal Administration from St. Lawrence College in Kingston. She was a member of the Latonell Steering Committee for five years and is a ten year member of Conservation Ontario's Regulatory Compliance Committee which includes organizing training opportunities for regulations staff across the Province.

People who work in the environmental enforcement field are often faced with very stressful situations. Environmental regulation is never popular. Shelley has faced this stress with humour, a positive attitude and being well-versed with the players and facts of the situation. Although it is her strong understanding of the regulations and policies that make her such an important asset to other enforcement professionals, it is Shelley's positive approach to stressful conditions that can be equally helpful to people who consider her a mentor. Shelley is equally proud of her record where cases are resolved by voluntary and negotiated compliance than that of any prosecution. She believes better public education of the regulations and its purpose can reduce compliance issues and long term impacts for floodplains, slopes, wetlands, and shorelines.



MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Lisa Turnbull

Senior Project Manager, Project Management Services
Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA)

Lisa Turnbull is the Past Chair of the Latonell Conservation Symposium and a Senior Project Manager at the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA). Her responsibilities with the Project Management Office at TRCA include managing the initiation, planning, execution, control and close out phases for a diverse range of environmental projects and Environmental Assessment studies.

Brian Denney Collingwood, ON

Retired Chief Executive Officer, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA)

Nominated by: TRCA, Toronto ON



Brian Denney graduated from the University of Guelph in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering with a major in Water Resources Engineering. He commenced work with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) in 1974 and remained with the TRCA in various positions of increasing responsibility. He became CAO of the organization in 2003 and CEO in 2012. He completed his career at TRCA

in December of 2017.

Under his leadership the TRCA offered broad programs in resource

conservation and sustainability. The scope of programs and projects included working with developers of new communities to have appropriate regard for natural hazards and to contribute to the regional greenspace system while providing appropriate storm water management controls.

His efforts also included leading the organization to implement a number of diverse programs ranging from heritage conservation to climate change mitigation and adaptation. Under his leadership TRCA created many new parks and trail systems along the Lake Ontario waterfront and throughout the valley and ravine systems of the GTA. He led TRCA's major contributions to the establishment of the Rouge National Urban Park. Efforts to advance the green building movement throughout the Toronto region was one of Brian's major objectives and he served on the national board of the Canada Green Building Council for six years. His work has been recognized by awards from the Canada Green Building Council and from Sustainable Buildings Canada.

Terry Murphy Belleville, ON

General Manager, Quinte Conservation

Nominated by: Quinte Conservation, Belleville ON



Terry Murphy has spent over forty-three years in the conservation field. During that time he has had a lasting positive influence on the environment in the area surrounding Quinte Conservation. Terry served on various committees including: The Eastern Ontario Smart Growth Panel, The Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan Restoration Council, Conservation Ontario Communications Committee, and the

Tourism and Recreation Committee. Terry was intimately involved in the Big Island Compensation Project which involved a substantial restoration of a wetland ecosystem creating a habitat for aquatic and terrestrial species alike, as well as the construction of the Wellington Channel, leading staff to develop a state of the art flood forecasting system and supported municipalities through several floods and droughts.

Terry is a true leader and forward thinker. He was an early proponent

of green technology which helped with the development of an electric dam on the Moira River. He introduced hybrid cars to the Quinte Conservation fleet in the early 2000's and has since added a fully electric car. His abilities as a leader were put to the test in 1994 when the funding to conservation authorities was severely reduced. Terry recognized that more had to be accomplished with less. Just two years after the drastic funding reductions Terry was able to shape a consensus such that The Moira River CA, Prince Edward Region CA, and Napanee Region CA be amalgamated into one unified conservation authority – Quinte Conservation.

Terry has been a proponent of making people aware of their environment and conservation. Originally, as General Manager of the Moira River Conservation Authority, he actively promoted education and stewardship in order to improve engagement in conservation among various members of the community. He carried this vision of increasing community involvement in environmental conservation over to Quinte Conservation – where his goal of offering as many low cost (or free) programs as possible has been realized. Terry realized that nature belongs to everyone and his work with the development of the accessible trail system at Potter's Creek Conservation Area is a testament to that belief.

Interested in nominating an individual for consideration for the 2019 Latornell Leadership Award?

See the criteria detailed on the Latornell Conservation Symposium website at
www.latornell.ca

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

2017

Brian Kelly, Geoffrey Peach (posthumous), Mark Heaton, Dr. Steven J Cooke

2016

Thomas McClenaghan, Richard (Dick) Hunter, Clarke Birchard, Gord MacPherson, Peter Gray

2015

Muriel Andreae, Ian Buchanan, Tom Prout, Bob Rogers

2014

Judi Brouse, Debbe Crandall, Lorrie Minshall

2013

Mike Garrett, Peter Middleton, Russ Powell, Bill Dickinson, Jean-Marc Filion

2012

Peter Orphanos, John Sibbald, Jack Imhof, Scott Gillingwater

2011

Jim Anderson, Liette Vasseur, Paul Aird, Tom Taylor

2010

Stew Hilts, Vicki Barron, Don Ross, Gil Henderson

2009

Ian Parrish, Ian Macnab, Allan Ralph, Ernie Crossland, Craig Mather

2008

Dr. John Gunn, Lorne Smith, Harold Parker, Jim Myslik, Bob Whittam

2007

Bruce Duncan, Deborah Beatty, Lou Wise, Michael Hough, Ted Mosquin

2006

Sally Beaton, Robert Bowles, Ron Reid, George Stormont

2005

Don Lobb, Dr. Gray Merriam, Dr. David Pearson, Dr. Anthony Smith, Ben Vanderbrug

2004

Malcom Kirk, Patrick J. McManus, Dr. Duncan Sinclair, David Cressman, Maria and Paul Heissler

2003

Ron Scott, Jack Macpherson, Arthur Herbert Richardson, Greta McGillivray, William McLean

2002

Hal Hooke, Terry Sprague, Jim Bruce, Terk Bayly, Rheal Proulx, Tom Millar, Peter Harvie

2001

Ken Mayall, Murray Miller, Douglas Hoffman, Elwood Moore, George R. Richardson, Gordon Oldfield

2000

Jim Bauer, Janet Fletcher, Harry Barrett, Trevor Dickinson, Ray Lowes, Bob Burgar

1999

John Murray, Charles Alexander, Len Johnson, Dr. Dave Ankney, Christine Nornabell, Russell Piper, Mac Coutts, Ken Higgs



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