

## 2009 - A YEAR OF ANNIVERSARIES



The Christian world is marking 2009 as the five-hundredth anniversary of the birth of one of its most influential thinkers. John Calvin continues to dominate religious discussion, today more than ever, as the numerous 2009 celebrations demonstrate.

The Canadian Society of Presbyterian History is marking the occasion by featuring at its annual meeting four Canadians who are widely known for their lively and engaging historical interests.

To provide a specifically Canadian slant on this year of anniversaries, Walter Bryden, Principal of Knox College Toronto was ordained in 1909 and appointed to the mission charge of St Andrew's Lethbridge.

It is hoped that this day conference will help the CSPH to fulfill its mandate: lively and contemporary engagement with today's church using the best historical scholarship.

## 2009 CSPH ANNUAL MEETING

**Saturday, September 26, 2009**

**9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.**

Registration

**9:30 a.m.**

"Calvin and Canadian Protestantism:  
The Witness of W.W. Bryden"

John Vissers

**10:30 a.m.** Coffee, Author book signing

**11:00 a.m.** Concerning Calvin's *The Necessity of Reforming the Church*: Is 'Reforming' Still Necessary? Why? How? To What End?

Victor Shepherd

**12:30 p.m.** Lunch

**1:20 p.m.** Annual Business Meeting

**2:00 p.m.**

John Calvin, Valerand Poullain  
and the Scottish Reformation  
Jack Whytock

**3:00 p.m.**

Calvin, Chalmers, Burns:  
A Canadian Hybrid Calvinism  
A Donald MacLeod

**4:00 p.m.**

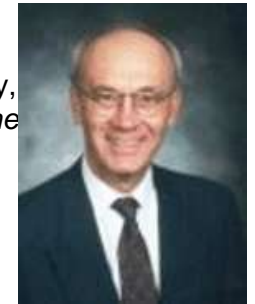
**Adjournment**

## PRESENTERS



Principal John Vissers,  
Presbyterian College,  
Montreal, author of *The Neo-Orthodox Theology of W W Bryden*

Professor Victor  
Shepherd, Tyndale  
Theological Seminary,  
Toronto, author of *The Nature and Function of Faith in the Theology of John Calvin*



Dr Jack Whytock,  
Haddington House,  
Charlottetown, PEI  
author of the Bailey  
prizewinning *An Educated Clergy*

Prof Don MacLeod,  
Toronto, presently  
writing *Charles Cowan MP and the Business of the Disruption*



## CANADIAN SOCIETY OF PRESBYTERIAN HISTORY

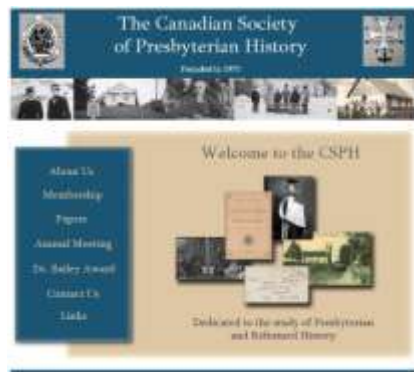
Founded in the centennial year of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, 1975, under the leadership of the late Mel Bailey, John Johnston and John Moir, the Canadian Society of Presbyterian History has provided over the past thirty-five years a stimulus for scholarship in subjects related to the history of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

One hundred and fifty papers have been presented to the Society. Fifteen of these have been published on the website.

The CSPH, as a religion-centred Learned Society, meets annually on the last Saturday of September.

Membership is open to all individuals and institutions who share an interest and fascination in the study of Presbyterian and Reformed history.

For more information, please visit the website at [www.csph.ca](http://www.csph.ca).



## COST

**Annual membership** in the Canadian Society of Presbyterian History is \$20. This includes a copy of the previous year's meeting mailed to you.

The **cost of the meal** at the annual meeting is \$20. To enjoy the facilities of Knox College we are obligated to use their caterer and the 2008 annual meeting agreed to this charge but with the proviso that students and seniors should only be expected to pay \$10.

**Cheques** in the amount of \$30 or \$40 should be sent to the Treasurer, M Millar, 292 Shanty Bay Rd., Barrie, ON L4M 1E6. The deadline for reserving a meal is the previous Monday, September 21. Your early response would be much appreciated.

## CSPH LEADERSHIP

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