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Statistics

	Dec. 2002	Dec. 2004	Dec. 2006	Nov. 2008	Oct. 2010	Sept. 2011	Dec. 2012	Dec. 2013	Dec. 2014
Visitors per Day	734	1,356	895	1,793	2,412	2,345	2,393	967	1,324
Bandwidth (Per Month in GB)				10.58	17.88	18.23	19.99		
Articles in GAMEO	2,304	2,458	5,578	12,501	14,739	14,880	15,327	15,463	15,644

In December 2014 the GAMEO site had a total of 41,035 sessions/visits and 34,178 users/visitors. The number of pages visited per session was 1.92, and the average session duration was 1 minute and 50 seconds. The bounce rate (the percentage of visitors who enter the site and "bounce" [leave the site] rather than continue viewing other pages within the same site) was 73.76%. 76.4% of the visitors were new visitors, and 23.6% were returning visitors.

A total of 78,845 pages were viewed. Of these, 31,283 were viewed for 10 seconds or less. 9,367 were viewed for 1-3 minutes, 12,360 were viewed for 3-10 minutes, 12,210 were viewed for 10-30 minutes, and 7,375 were viewed for more than 30 minutes.

The GAMEO website uses Google Analytics to track website usage. A variety of statistics are compiled. The following are a sample of the types of statistics compiled:

Language

2014				2013			
Rank	Language	Visits	%	Rank	Language	Visits	%
1	English	34,932	85.12	1	English	25,291	84.25
2	German	1,571	3.83	2	German	1,366	4.56
3	French	573	1.40	3	Dutch	598	1.99
4	Dutch	557	1.36	4	French	442	1.47
5	Spanish	527	1.29	5	Spanish	297	1.30
6	Chinese	479	1.17	6	Russian	292	0.97
7	Portuguese (Brazilian)	364	0.89	7	Polish	187	0.62
8	Russian	333	0.81	8	Portuguese (Br)	147	0.49
9	Polish	230	0.56	9	Chinese	93	0.31
10	Italian	188	0.46	10	Italian	79	0.26

Country

2014			2013		
Rank	Country	Visits	Rank	Country	Visits
1	United States	16,238	1	United States	12,659
2	Canada	15,476	2	Canada	9,617
3	Germany	1,572	3	Germany	1,417
4	United Kingdom	915	4	Netherlands	616
5	Netherlands	640	5	United Kingdom	601
6	China	463	6	Not set	278
7	India	456	7	Switzerland	260
8	Brazil	373	8	Australia	237
9	France	338	9	France	227
10	Poland	273	10	India	220

The Top 25 Articles for December 2014 vs. December 2013

2013			2014		
Rank	Article	Views	Rank	Article	Views
1	Welcome to GAMEO	2,173	1	Welcome to GAMEO	5,913
2	/	1,400	2	Menno Simons (1496-1561)	467
3	GAMEO:Current events (there is no content on this page)	317	3	GAMEO:Current events (there is no content on this page)	389
4	A-Z Index	302	4	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite (CGC)	360
5	GAMEO:Community portal (there is no content on this page)	281	5	GAMEO:Community portal (there is no content on this page)	348
6	Molotschna Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	251	6	Scotford Hutterite Colony (Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, Canada)	348
7	Recent Changes	249	7	Names (Mennonite)	344
8	Menno Simons (1496-1561)	248	8	Hutterian Brethren (Hutterische Brüder)	334
9	Sleeping Preacher Churches	238	9	Molotschna Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	333
10	Hutterian Brethren (Hutterische Brüder)	228	10	Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship	295
11	Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship Grebel, Conrad (ca. 1498-1526)	226	11	A-Z Index	289
12	Mennonite Encyclopedia, The	211	12	Recent Changes	280
13	Anabaptism	185	13	Headcovering	279
14	Charity Ministries	156	14	To-map.gif (map of Togo)	229
15	Grebel, Conrad (ca. 1498-1526)	148	15	Anabaptism	196
16	Amish	144	16	Old Order Amish	191
17	Amish Mennonites	138	17	Christian Calendar	185
18	Names (Mennonite)	130	18	Münster Anabaptists	179
19	Chortitza Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	128	19	Old Colony Mennonites	178
20	Old Colony Mennonites	119	20	Friesen, Cornelius K. (1877-1953)	177
21	Palatinate (Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany)	119	21	Grebel, Conrad (ca. 1498-1526)	173
22	Special Pages	115	22	Chortitza Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	167
23	West Prussia	113	23	Luther, Martin (1483-1546)	155
24	Smucker, Barbara Claassen (1915-2003)	112	24	Dress	148
25	Münster Anabaptists	108	25	Amish Mennonites	144

Articles that consistently make the top 25 include those that we would expect, such as Menno Simons, Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship, Old Order Amish, Old Colony Mennonites, Anabaptism, Hutterian Brethren, and Conrad Grebel. In 2014, Dress and Headcovering appeared in the top 25. It is unusual to see an article like Scotford Hutterite Colony listed in sixth spot. It is possible that the colony is ranked high because of a tornado that struck the colony in 2012. I have no idea why Cornelius K. Friesen is listed in 20th spot.

Landing or Entrance Pages and Exit Pages

Landing pages are those on which visitors first land when they carry out a search and arrive at the GAMEO website. Exit pages are those last viewed by visitors before they left the website.

2013				2014			
Rank	Landing Page	Visits	Exit	Rank	Landing Page	Visits	Exit
1	/	1,019	367	1	Welcome to GAMEO	4,142	3,191
2	Welcome to GAMEO	1,000	660	2	Menno Simons (1495-1561)	304	314
3	Sleeping Preacher Churches	208	186	3	Names (Mennonite)	284	267
4	Menno Simons (1495-1561)	148	163	4	Scotford Hutterite Colony (Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, Canada)	260	241
5	Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship	135	134	5	Headcovering	247	241
6	Charity Ministries	117	111	6	Map of Togo	228	228
7	Amish	113	108	7	Church of God in Christ, Mennonite (CGC)	194	198
8	Mennonite Encyclopedia, The	112	45	8	Beachy Amish Mennonite Fellowship	184	187
9	Names (Mennonite)	107	104	9	Molotschna Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	162	138
10	Molotschna Mennonite Settlement (Zaporizhia Oblast, Ukraine)	96	87	10	Christian Calendar	159	159
11	Hutterian Brethren (Hutterische Brüder)	90	102	11	Friesen, Cornelius K. (1877-1953)	145	139
12	Mostly Mennonite, Mostly A Cappella (Radio Program)	89	81	12	Amish Aid Society (Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, USA)	127	117
13	Smucker, Barbara Claassen (1915-2003)	89	86	13	Hutterian Brethren (Hutterische Brüder)	123	154
14	Terek Mennonite Settlement	86	72	14	Münster Anabaptists	122	121
15	Byler, Edna Ruth (1904-1976)	82	74	15	Old Order Amish	117	116
16	Christian Education	79	79	16	Luther, Martin (1483-1546)	113	114
17	Ammann, Jakob	78	72	17	Atlantic Provinces (Canada)	107	102
18	Müntzer, Thomas	75	80	18	Dress	106	106
19	Münster Anabaptists	73	64	19	Charles V, Holy Roman	105	105

					Emperor (1500-1558)		
20	Luther, Martin (1483-1546)	71	72	20	Ammann, Jakob (17 th /18 th century)	103	105

New Content

A total of 277 new articles were added to GAMEO from February to December 2014 (unfortunately, numbers are not available for January 2014). This compares with a total of 634 new articles added to GAMEO from January to December 2013. Approximately 175 articles contributed in 2014 were by the managing editor and are basically “stub” congregational entries for some of the conservative Mennonite conferences in North America. A number of articles, mostly congregational entries, were submitted by Victor Wiebe from Saskatchewan, six French language articles dealing with Quebec congregations were also submitted by Zacharie Leclair, and several articles dealing with Indian congregations were submitted by Nathan Geiser.

As stated in last year’s report, I would have thought that we would see a much higher number of articles being submitted by the various regional editorial committees by now. The pace has slowed to a trickle with some regional committees.

Other Statistics

Of the total number of visits in December 2014, 27,234 were on a desktop (66.37%), 9,514 were on a mobile phone (23.19%), and 4,287 were on a tablet (10.45%). This compares with the following numbers for December 2013: 22,663 were on a desktop (75.63%), 4,540 were on a mobile phone (15.15%), and 2,762 on a tablet (9.22%). The big increase is those using a mobile phone.

The total of those using a mobile phone or a table was 13,801. Here is a list of the top 10 devices for 2014 compared with 2013 (the numbers for the Samsung models are based on the top 500 devices):

2013			2014		
Rank	Device	Visits	Rank	Device	Visits
1	Apple iPad	2,273	1	Apple iPhone	4,474
2	Apple iPhone	2,246	2	Apple iPad	3,332
3	(not set)	308	3	(not set)	938
4	Samsung Galaxy S III	304	4	Samsung Galaxy S IV	441
5	Samsung Galaxy S IV	181	5	Samsung Galaxy S III	432
6	Samsung Galaxy Tab 2	110	6	Samsung Galaxy S5	372
7	Apple iPod	102	7	Samsung Galaxy Note II	290
8	Samsung Galaxy Note II	69	8	Apple iPod	119
9	Samsung Galaxy Discover	50	9	Google Nexus 5	101
10	Goggle Nexus 4	44	10	Samsung Galaxy Tab 2	100
Total		7,302	Total		13,801

Global AnabaptistWiki

As was stated in the 2013 report, the Global AnabaptistWiki site has now taken over what was once called by GAMEO the Anabaptist Mennonite Ethereal Library. The Global AnabaptistWiki is the site that deals with primary documents, including confessions of faith, catechisms, and conference position statements.

In November 2013 the GAMEO Management Board viewed a proposal for a joint homepage that serves as a portal to both the GAMEO and the GlobalAnabaptistWiki sites. The new page was launched shortly thereafter. The following domain names have been reserved for use by the new joint homepage:

- globalanabaptist.org
- globalanabaptism.org
- globalanabaptism.com
- globalanabaptism.net
- globalanabaptism.info

Canadian Editorial Committee

Bert Friesen submitted the following report:

January 2015

Members: Members: Richard Thiessen, Sam Steiner, Victor Wiebe, Richard Lougheed, Alf Redekoop, Wesley Berg, Linda Huebert Hecht, Bert Friesen

This group has overseen the posting of templates for various content forms. The following have now been posted:

Biographies (General)
Biographies (Brief Genealogical)
Books
Congregations
Film, Television, and other Video Media
Geographical Entities
Hutterite Colonies
Institutions
Interdisciplinary Articles
Periodicals

By the nature of the medium, these can easily be edited or changed. This committee is involved in this process.

The Canadian content issues are still one of updating, avoiding duplication, and prioritizing which articles will be solicited.

Regional Editorial Committees

Alberta: No regional editorial committee exists in Alberta. Wesley Berg, a member of the Canadian Editorial Committee, has written that one biographical article is in progress (Frank Dyck) and he exploring writing an article about John J. Bergen.

British Columbia: Richard Thiessen submitted the following report:

For 2014 our regional editorial committee was comprised of David Giesbrecht, Dave Loewen, and Richard Thiessen.

In 2014 we continued adding names to our biography list. Our philosophy has been to include anyone in our list who lived in British Columbia at any time in their life. Naturally, this includes many who were also active in other regions of Canada.

The following were completed in 2013:

- Born, Esther
- Boschman, Rudy
- Guenther, Allen
- Hamm, Herbert N.
- Peters, Kay
- Redekop, Jake
- Sawatsky, Walter
- Wiebe, Aaron

Two geographical articles were also completed:

- Arnold
- Chilliwack

An exciting project for the committee has been work on developing an article on Mennonites and Criminal Justice in British Columbia, including corrections, probation, and prison ministries. The goal is to use this article as a template for other Mennonite interdisciplinary articles, such as Mennonite and Medicine, Mennonites and Public Education, etc. The article was completed in 2014 and is now being edited.

California: No report received. I recently learned that the regional committee chair, Corinna Ruth, passed away in 2014.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Forrest Moyer submitted the following report:

The Eastern PA GAMEO Committee has decided to disband, due to low interest and me not being able to give regular time to the project due to other work responsibilities.

I would recommend taking a more "Wiki" type approach to the online encyclopedia, in which articles are submitted by users and reviewed/edited by historians, rather than depending on local committees to collect articles. I think more would get done faster, probably; and in reality the articles collected by our committee were mostly written each by a different person, generally not by professional historians. In a Wiki approach, if sources are cited and the articles are edited by historians, I think that would take care of

reliability issues and GAMEO could grow faster and continue to be the valuable resource that it is.

Lancaster: Steve Ness submitted the following report:

The Lancaster GAMEO Project Committee (LGPC) met two times in 2014—March 6 and October 9. The committee currently consists of Darvin Martin, Dan Wenger, Lois Ann Mast, Jonathan Martin, Ray Hacker, Edsel Burdge, David Sauder, and Steve Ness. Paul Zehr stepped away from chairing the LGPC and Steve Ness, who had been the committee's secretary, agreed to serve as chair. Lois Ann Mast agreed to record minutes at the meetings.

A change was made regarding the frequency of meetings for the committee, which has been meeting twice a year. In order to keep volunteer researchers and writers better-engaged, the decision was made to move to a schedule of quarterly meetings. Beginning in 2015 the committee will meet on the fourth Thursday in the months of April and October. Additional meetings are tentatively scheduled for the fourth Thursday in the months of January and July, but may be canceled if there is insufficient need to convene. The chair will send an email to the committee about two weeks in advance in order to gauge whether there is enough material to warrant a face-to-face meeting.

The LGPC noted that there are still church bodies that use computers but do not use the Internet and would benefit from having access to an updated version of the GAMEO database on removable media such as CD, DVD, or flash drive.

Finding volunteers for the writing/editing of GAMEO articles has been an ongoing challenge. The LGPC had preliminary, and very brief, discussion about the possibility of finding funding sources to expedite the process.

Articles submitted in 2014

- Lancaster Mennonite Conference, by Brinton Rutherford
- Mid-Atlantic Mennonite Fellowship, by Romaine Stauffer
- Bomberger, Homer D. (1909-1995), by Romaine Stauffer
- [Twenty-four articles on Mid-Atlantic Mennonite Fellowship congregations], by Romaine Stauffer

Articles in process

- Washington-Franklin Mennonite Conference, by Edsel Burdge
- Cumberland Valley Mennonite Church, by Edsel Burdge
- Old Order Amish, by Sam Stoltzfus, et al.
- Old Order River Brethren, by John Dietz
- Weaverland Mennonite Conference, by Lloyd Weiler
- Scott, Stephen (1948-2011), by John Dietz

Manitoba: Bert Friesen submitted the following report:

In 2014 we concentrated on completing our biographies list. Some institutional entries were also done. We plan on making congregational new entries and updates the priority in the coming year. An article on the Mennonite German Society was completed as well as a biography on David Doerksen (1881-1964). Susan Huebert wrote a number of biographies of Mennonite Brethren missionaries.

Ontario: Linda Huebert Hecht submitted the following report:

The four members of the GAMEO Ontario (Regional) Editorial Committee remain the same: Linda Huebert Hecht, chair; John Reimer, secretary; Fred Lichti; Sam Steiner. The committee will be meeting again on January 7, 2015 to continue working on our list of people whose biographies should be written and to discuss possible writers for these biographies. During the year the work of the committee was done by email, that is, getting approval from all committee members for the biographies which writers chose to work on and discussing any issues that arose.

In the past year we again made good progress in adding Ontario biographies to GAMEO. In total, 21 Ontario biographies were added to Gameo in 2014. Our list of completed biographies is now over 140 and the number of persons for whom biographies still need to be written is around 80, which may again increase after our committee meets on January 7.

The biographies written in 2014 included the following. Clare Fuller wrote about six Mennonite Brethren in Christ and New Mennonite church leaders, namely, Noah Detweiler, John Hoover Steckley, Abraham Raymer, Joseph Raymer, Samuel Schlichter and Christian Troyer. These 19th century leaders were important to the early history of Mennonites in Ontario.

Laurence Martin wrote about three men active in the 20th century, namely, of Paul V. Martin, member of the Golden Rule Gospel Messengers; Harold Schiedel, a chorale director and singing school teacher and, Ephriam Gingerich, the last bishop in the Ontario Amish Mennonite Conference, later known as the Western Ontario Mennonite Conference.

Alf Redekopp wrote five biographies of Mennonites in the Niagara peninsula region, two of which were William Baerg, missionary to Africa and Jacob Peter Froese, a fruit farmer and churchman also involved in politics. Although Froese's political career in federal politics was short lived, "the highlight for him was welcoming Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip when they visited Niagara-on-the-Lake in 1973, an event which coincided with the official opening of the Shaw Festival Theatre." Three other biographies of Mennonites in the Niagara peninsula written by Alf were on the musician and music leader Henry Goerzen and two Mennonite Brethren pastors, Herman Kroeker and John G, Baerg. In addition, Alf Redekopp and his wife Maria Klassen co-authored a biography of Heinrich H. Epp (1902-1992), a farmer and developer in the Niagara region. We are grateful that Alf and Maria are expanding our knowledge of Mennonite leaders in the Niagara peninsula.

Ferne Burkhardt submitted biographies on the following five leaders. Barbara Sherk wrote articles for the Mennonite periodical *Herald of Truth* from 1892 on and expressed

her views in private letters to prominent Mennonite leaders. Mary Snider, one of the few Mennonite women to have a career ‘in the world’ was the first matron of the Berlin Orphanage in 1896 and also exercised leadership in church women’s societies. Magdalena Weber worked in a new Mennonite mission project in Toronto in 1907 which led, in 1908, to the first women’s group in Ontario, the “Charity Circle.” As a gifted seamstress Magdalena was a leader in the Women’s Missionary Society of the new Stirling Ave. Mennonite Church (founded by her brother Urias K. Weber). Margaret Cressman was a leader in her church and community as well as in the Mennonite Central Committee Self Help Crafts program (later Ten Thousand Villages). Joseph Cramer, founder of the House of Friendship, was a Russian born Jewish Rabbi and immigrant who came to Toronto in 1932 where he became a Christian. He was invited to Waterloo to evangelize Jewish people, but, Cramer and his co-worker Ilda Baumen, soon reached out to many different European immigrants as well. The mission grew quickly and moved into a store in downtown Kitchener where they served meals and held worship services. Again the mission expanded as: “Clients included veterans, alcoholics and transients.” On 15 January, 1939, the “House of Friendship for all Nations” was dedicated and received strong Mennonite financial and volunteer support. With these biographies Ferne is expanding our knowledge of Mennonite women leaders in Ontario and describing some of the history of the House of Friendship which Mennonites in Ontario still strongly support today.

Last but not least, Sam Steiner wrote a biography on the denominational Mennonite leader Ron Sawatsky. We appreciate the work of all the writers very much. Our committee is still offering an honorarium of \$100 for each completed biography (except for committee members). Of the 80 honorariums for which we have funds, 57, over half, have been awarded as of December 2014.

Quebec: Richard Loughheed submitted the following:

1. Four different people are working on articles in both English and French. We also have editors for English and French.
2. Zacharie Leclair completed the major Mennonite Brethren articles in French. The articles on Quebec and Montreal have been updated. So the urgent work is finished.
3. Other congregational histories are ongoing, waiting for small updates or lengthy rewrites.
4. We are inserting variants of the GAMEO articles in the French magazine Le Lien.
5. After we finish with Quebec articles (probably in a few years) we will return to broader goals, especially making available Anabaptist articles in French.
6. Our new website in early 2015 will both list the articles and connect to the GAMEO articles but perhaps more importantly will provide a more accessible French entry to GAMEO.

Saskatchewan: Victor Wiebe has submitted several articles in 2014. Most of these have dealt with Saskatchewan congregations, along with some other topical articles.

Virginia: Paul Yoder submitted that following report: Here in Virginia we have had very little traffic recently. I have not had any entries to submit this year. We just talked about this at our Virginia Mennonite Conference Historical Committee meeting at the beginning of December. One of our ideas is to send out a simple template that a church secretary, historian or other volunteer could complete.

2014 Activities

I visited the Mennonite Historical Society of Saskatchewan on 1 March 2014 and gave a presentation on GAMEO and how the provincial society can become more involved. In June I met with both Peggy Goertzen and John Thiesen in Kansas to discuss ways in which a Kansas regional editorial committee could be formed. Those meetings had limited success.

The two managing editors took some time in 2014 to work through articles in GAMEO that originated with the Mennonite Encyclopedia. Sam completed his work with volume 1, and Richard worked through the first half of volume 2. Articles in need of revision or updating have been identified, and potential authors have been suggested for a number of these articles. This work will continue through 2015.

Jon Isaak worked through all five volumes of the Mennonite Encyclopedia and identified all of the theological articles.

In November we received a request from Don Martin of Green Pastures Press in Mifflin, Pennsylvania for DVD versions of GAMEO to distribute. Sam sent him our remaining 22 copies that are dated 19 January 2011. We will gauge with Don whether or not we should produce another batch of DVDs.

We received a revised article by J. Denny Weaver dealing with Christology in April. The article was passed on to Jon Isaak for review, and by the end of October Jon had completed an initial run through the article and made a number of suggestions. Editing work will continue, with the goal to use this article as a template for theological articles.

Early in 2014 I was in contact with Cory Anderson regarding potential use of his images of Amish-Mennonite meetinghouses for GAMEO. Here is his response:

If GAMEO provides a \$2,200 grant to partially offset international travel expenses related to research on the Amish-Mennonites, including photographing Amish-Mennonite meetinghouses, I will provide GAMEO with high resolution photos of all existing Amish-Mennonite meetinghouses and now-closed Amish-Mennonite meetinghouses for which I have recent photos, as well as high resolution photos of sign, sanctuary, and school facility photos, should those also be of interest. I will acknowledge GAMEO's support in all work that emerges from research conducted through the use of this grant.

While GAMEO would have unlimited use of these photos for posting digitally on the GAMEO website and use in all other GAMEO-related materials, I would retain final ownership of the images. I would request that U.S. and Canadian

digital photos not be released until June 30, 2014 (18 months after the release of “Amish-Mennonites of North America) and the international photos not be released until the first of either two dates: June 30, 2017, OR 18 months after the release date of “The Amish-Mennonites across the Globe,” which has an estimated release date of December 1, 2015.

Sponsors

Sponsors are institutions and societies that choose to donate \$250 to GAMEO. In 2013, we invited 13 institutions and societies to donate \$250 to GAMEO, and we received positive responses from all of them, including:

- Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN
- Bethany College, Hepburn, SK
- Bethel College, North Newton, KS
- Bluffton College, Bluffton, OH
- Canadian Mennonite University, Winnipeg, MB
- Columbia Bible College, Abbotsford, BC
- Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, ON
- Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA
- Hesston College, Hesston, KS
- Manitoba Mennonite Historical Society
- Mennonite Historical Society of Alberta
- Mennonite Historical Society of British Columbia
- Mennonite Historical Society of Ontario

Invitations were not issued in the 2014 calendar year, but will be shortly.

Editors

Susan Huebert has continued to be active throughout the year, going through articles in GAMEO and correcting spelling and grammatical errors. Others have had limited activity in 2014.

Publicity

We did not distribute any news releases this year. I confess that I have been negligent on that front. I will make sure to distribute a news release following the Waterloo meetings in January 2015.

Plans for 2015

GAMEO will be participating in the Mennonite World Conference Assembly in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in July 2015. GAMEO is helping to organize four workshops:

- GAMEO/AnabaptistWiki/Bearing Witness Stories Project – How Can You Become Involved?
- Preserving the Past for a Living Future: How to Create (or Improve) Your Church’s Archives.

- Preserving the Past for a Living Future: Digitizing and Preserving Photographs.
- Preserving the Past for a Living Future: Best Practices in Oral History

GAMEO will also be assisting with the coordination of several display booths with a history focus at the Assembly.

In terms of the encyclopedia, we do not envision any significant software enhancements or changes. MediaWiki is serving us quite well. We have come across a few minor issues, but PeaceWorks has been able to work with us to solve the problems.

Concluding Comments

This past year has been one of transition for me, as I resigned from my position as library director at Columbia Bible College in Abbotsford and took on the position of Executive Director for the Mennonite Museum Society. In April I reduced my position at the College to three days a week and began working for the Museum Society at 50%. The transition to full-time employment with the Society happened in mid-August. For those of you that have worked two part-time positions, you know that two halves usually equals more than one. As a result, I have not had as much time as I have in the past for my work as Managing Editor. My work with the Museum will continue to be fairly intense until the fall of 2015 when the Museum opens. Once things settle down, I anticipate a return to my previous volunteer loading.

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