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OHS Launches "OHS Reach" Project with Ontario Trillium Foundation Support

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Over the past several years, OHS members and subscribers will recall reading about the strategic challenges that the organization faces for providing a sustainable solution for moving forward with its capacity to provide digital programs and services.

The Society is pleased to announce that it has made a giant leap forward in achieving this goal with the launch of the OHS Reach project, which has been awarded a 2015 Ontario Trillium Foundation grant.

OHS Reach is the initial one-year development stage of a three-year initiative designed to transform how the Society interacts with members, subscribers, affiliated societies, and other stakeholders, and to furnish the expansion of on-line services – particularly for our peer-reviewed scholarly journal *Ontario History*.

The first phase of OHS Reach allows staff to conduct research on best practices for developing an information system to digitize the delivery of *Ontario History*. Published since 1899, *Ontario History* will also continue to be circulated in print form.

"OHS has been granted a wonderful opportunity to take a holistic look at how the Society works, and how it can continue to be a leader in the twenty-first century. In an increasingly digital heritage community, providing online access to *Ontario History* is crucial," says project manager Sarah McCabe.

Also included is a planning stage



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to help address some of the project's biggest challenges, including infrastructure upgrades, investigation of relevant copyright laws, updating of the OHS strategic plan, and analysis of member and subscriber needs through surveys and meetings.

Internally, the project will act as a catalyst for organizational improvements that will allow the OHS to better equip itself to broaden its role as an advising organization within Ontario's heritage community. As many of the OHS's member organizations and institutions dive into similar projects, we hope to act as a model for best practices in the digital publishing arena.

Work on phase one will give the Society's board of directors and staff the contextual and logistical information needed to decide how to best deploy resources responsibly and sustainably, and then proceed towards implementation in phase two.

Demolition of National Historic Site Averted Through Efforts of Local Heritage Group

Negotiations now underway for Bishop's House, built in 1808



Photo Cheryl Rogers

An application to demolish The Bishop's House National Historic Site, was submitted in April to the Township of South Glengarry. The Township Council has voted unanimously to retain the building's heritage designation.

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Readers will recall reading "Demolition Planned for Historic Building in St. Raphael's" in the April *OHS Bulletin* (194), which detailed the threat of demolition for the Bishop's House.

We are pleased to report that the danger has now passed.

Recently, the South Glengarry Township Council, led by Mayor Ian McLeod, voted unanimously to retain the heritage designation on the building, thus preventing its demolition. Furthermore, the Diocese of Alexandria-Cornwall chose not to appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board.

In July, the Glengarry Fencibles Trust, a volunteer-run, not-for-profit organization that incorporated through affiliation with the OHS in 2010, entered into negotiations with the Diocese to acquire ownership of the building and its cultural landscape, which includes a heritage lilac garden bordered by a stone-wall built in 1826.

Although these negotiations are proceeding, many complex questions remain, as the land is

owned by the local Catholic school board.

Since the original article was printed in the April *OHS Bulletin*, the Fencibles have received much support – both emotional and financial – from OHS members across Ontario. Positive messages have arrived from all over the province; they heard from allies in St. Catharines, Goderich, Wolfe Island, and Toronto. They remain most appreciative for such help and look forward to continued support as the restoration begins.

It is fitting that so many individuals from across Ontario have rallied to help save this building as a cultural and interpretive centre for the enjoyment of future generations.

The building was once home to Rev. Alexander Macdonell, the first Catholic chaplain in the British army since the Reformation. He would preside over local Presbyterian services in Glengarry County when his colleague Rev. John Bethune had to be away, and Bethune would do the same for

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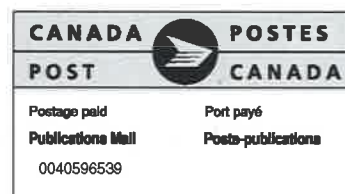


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President's Report

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I would first like to thank the Aga Khan Development Network for hosting the 127th Annual General Meeting of the OHS at its new Ismaili Centre in Toronto this June. The centre was most impressive, the staff was very welcoming, and Mohamed Manji's address, "Spirit, Art, and Nature," was fascinating. Congratulations to this year's award recipients. I encourage them to continue their efforts on behalf of Ontario's history and heritage.

As the Chair of OHS's Youth Initiatives committee, I wish to highlight the importance of the petition campaign to make Canadian history a mandatory course at the senior level in Ontario secondary schools. Although this campaign originated a few years ago with my students in Belleville, this will be the first time the campaign will have a truly provincial reach. I will be contacting other interested parties, such as Canada's History Society, high profile Canadians, and major media outlets for their support in promoting the campaign. It is critical to the future of the OHS and to the preservation of Ontario's heritage, that the youth of the province become more knowledgeable about our history and therefore more aware of the need to be stewards of our collective heritage. The petition can be accessed at www.chn.ge/1ICVFsx. Please promote among your friends, neighbours, and colleagues.

I also encourage you to consider making a financial contribution to the OHS, whether through a general donation or through our soon-to-be-launched planned-giving program. As a non-profit organization and registered charity, the OHS relies on both government and private funding. The organization continues to grow, and whether it is in project areas like the digitization of *Ontario History* or the replacement of the roof at the historic John McKenzie House, the human resources required to meet these

needs also continues to grow. For the OHS to continue to preserve, protect, and promote the heritage of our province, more financial support is required. More information about the planned-giving program will be forthcoming.

At our most recent AGM, the nominations committee confirmed the addition of our newest board member, Kristin Ives. Kristin is currently the Curator and Education Coordinator for the John R. Park Homestead Conservation Area, a living historical farm museum on the shore of Lake Erie, operated by the Essex Region Conservation Authority. She has also worked in museums in Guelph and Windsor, and has maintained extensive volunteer roles. Currently, she is Chair for both the South Western Ontario Heritage Council and Windsor's Community Museum Volunteer Group. She will also chair the OHS's Museums Committee. Welcome, Kristin!

I would also like to extend sincere thanks to Dr. Alison Norman, who will be stepping down from the OHS board to assume the Book Review Editor role for our journal, *Ontario History*. Alison brings a breadth of experience and an impressive network as she takes over the role previously held by Dr. Ron Stagg, who has acted as the Review Editor since 2011. Thank you, Alison and Ron!

Thanks also to the OHS staff for all of their hard work and dedication, without which the Society simply could not function. I would also like to personally thank our Executive Director, Rob Leverty, for his guidance and support during my first year as President, and our Communications Coordinator, Andrea Izzo, for his years of dedicated service as he begins his new career as a teacher. You will be missed.

Finally, without the efforts of volunteers across the province, it would be impossible to preserve our heritage. In 2014, volunteers donated an estimated 10,450 hours of service in support of the OHS. On behalf of the Society, thank you.

Excellence in Ontario Heritage Recognized with Provincial Awards

Thirteen awards presented at OHS's AGM



Photo Andrea Izzo

The OHS's awards program to recognizes individuals, organizations, corporations, and authors who have made significant contributions to the preservation and

promotion of Ontario's heritage.

The OHS presented the 2014-15 awards at its AGM and Honours and Awards Ceremony in June to the following recipients:

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Scadding Award of Excellence Outstanding contribution to the field of history by a heritage group: **The North York Historical Society**

Dorothy Duncan Award Outstanding service by a non-profit organization, nominated by a Municipal or a First Nations Council:
Coldwater Canadiana Heritage Museum

President's Award Excellence in heritage conservation by a corporation, business or individual: **Ontario Heritage Fairs Association**

Russell K. Cooper Living History/Heritage Based Museum Award Excellence in programming & site development by a living history or heritage-based museum: **Gore Bay Museum**

Museum Award of Excellence Excellence in community programming and involvement: **Bruce County Museum & Cultural Centre, Southampton**

Cruikshank Medal Performing with distinction on behalf of the OHS:
Dr. Ron Stagg, Toronto

Carnochan Award Many years of volunteer service to Ontario's heritage community: **Athol Hart, Newmarket; and Les MacKinnon, Grey County**

Fred Landon Award Best book on regional or local history in Ontario:
Jennifer L. Bonnell, Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley

Alison Prentice Award Best book on women's history in Ontario:
Crystal Sissons, Queen of the Hurricanes: The Fearless Elsie MacGill

J. J. Talman Award Best book on social, economic, political, or cultural history in Ontario: **Christopher Armstrong, Making Toronto Modern: Architecture and Design, 1895-1975**

Donald Grant Creighton Award Best book of biography or autobiography highlighting life in Ontario, past or present: **Edmund Metatawabin, Up Ghost River: A Chief's Journey Through the Turbulent Waters of Native History**

Huguenot Society of Canada Award Best book or article bringing awareness to the principles of freedom of conscience and freedom of thought: **Pearl Eliadis, Speaking Out on Human Rights: Debating Canada's Human Rights System**

Executive Director's Report

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I am pleased to report that the OHS has been very active in the past few months.

First, I would like to thank our three summer students, Jessica Di Laurenzio, Jonathan Silveira, and Marco Aldrovandi, for their excellent work and unrelenting energy. The OHS acknowledges the financial support of the Province of Ontario's Summer Experience program and the Department of Canadian Heritage's Young Canada Works program for providing funding for these students.

The OHS also hired a project manager for the recently launched "OHS Reach" initiative, funded by the Ontario Trillium Foundation. Please join me in welcoming Sarah McCabe. Please see page 1.

In June, the Society held its 127th Annual General Meeting and its Honours and Awards Ceremony at the Aga Khan Ismaili Centre in Toronto, which is situated across from the Aga Khan Museum. We would like to thank all of our members, guests, and award recipients. Our keynote speaker, Mohamed Manji, former President of the Ismaili Council for Canada, gave an excellent presentation titled "Spirit, Art and Nature," describing the background and cultural importance of Toronto's newest cultural site. Special thanks go out to the entire Ismaili Centre team of volunteers for their warm hospitality and for collaborating with us to organize a very successful event.

Since I last reported to you, I have given a presentation to the Albion-Bolton Historical Society; met with the Board of Directors of the King Township Historical Society; attended presentations given by recently incorporated OHS affiliated societies at the 2015 Ontario Heritage Conference in Niagara; participated in an Ontario educators roundtable, organized by WNED/WBFO (Toronto-Buffalo) Educational Services; given a trib-

ute to the late Les MacKinnon at the Grey County Historical Society's Annual Meeting and Dinner; attended the launch of "Women and Education," the special spring issue of *Ontario History*; and participated in the 10th anniversary celebration for the *Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act*.

On behalf of the North York Historical Society and Heritage Toronto, the OHS hosted a reception at the John McKenzie House for everyone attending the Cummer Family commemorative plaque installation. During the 2015 Doors Open Toronto weekend, the historic John McKenzie House and the adjacent Parkview Neighbourhood Garden attracted almost 700 visitors. In July, in partnership with Trinity Theatre, the OHS also hosted our fourth annual peer leadership workshop for secondary school students.

The OHS insurance programme remains very popular and busy; over the past three months, twelve more historical organizations have purchased an insurance package. Contact me toll free at 1.866.955.2755 or by email to learn more.

The OHS has been awarded two infrastructure grants to do restoration work at the historic John McKenzie House. The McLean Foundation will provide OHS with \$10,000 towards a new roof and the Toronto Heritage Grant Program has awarded the Society \$10,000 to restore the front entrance's limestone stairs. The OHS is obligated to provide matching funds for both of these grants and we continue to seek your financial support. Donations will receive a charitable tax receipt.

I would like to thank OHS member Heather Kirk for her recent generous donation of historical fiction books to the OHS; we hope to find eager young readers to enjoy them. In 2005, Heather published an abridged version of John Richardson's *Wacousta*, originally written in 1832.



Photo Rob Leverty

The Herstories Cafe (herstoriescafe.com) held an event in May in conjunction with the launch of the Spring 2015 special issue of *Ontario History*, "Women and Education in Ontario." Seen here at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education Library are four contributors to the issue (left to right): Dr. Alison Norman, author, *Six Nations Women Teachers at Grand River in the early Twentieth Century*; Dr. Rose Fine-Meyer, special issue guest editor; Funke Aladejebi, author, *Black Female Educators and Resistive Pedagogies, 1960s-1980s* and Dr. Kate Zankowicz, author, *In Search of Ruth Home: The Untold History of Museum Education at the Royal Ontario Museum*. Other authors in the collection include Dr. Ruth Sandwell, Brittany Luby, and Dr. Kathryn Labelle. For information about purchasing this issue, please contact the OHS.



Photo Heather Anderson

The North York Historical Society, in partnership with Heritage Toronto, recently installed a plaque commemorating the pioneering Cummer Family. The plaque was installed just north of the historic John McKenzie House and after its unveiling, the OHS hosted a reception for family members and guests.

Pictured with OHS Executive Director Rob Leverty is Dr. Bette M. Stephenson who represented the riding of York Mills in the Legislative Assembly of Ontario between 1975 and 1987. Dr. Stephenson served as Deputy Premier, Treasurer, Chair of the Management Board of Cabinet, Minister of Education, Minister of Colleges and Universities, and Minister of Labour. Dr. Stephenson told Rob that she "wanted to come and see the John McKenzie House again, as I came here many times as a young child...it is still beautiful...it is so important your organization saved this, as everything else in the area has been destroyed."

It is with sadness that I say goodbye and good luck to my colleague Andrea Izzo. Since the summer of 2006, I have had the great pleasure and privilege to work with this incredibly talented young man. Andrea started here as a summer student. For many years now, he has been our Communications Coordinator, responsible also for the OHS Honours and Awards Programme and for our summer students. He has worked exceptionally hard and diligently on behalf of all our members, volunteers, and donors. He has always

been an outstanding employee and ambassador for the Society, which has been deeply appreciated. Thank you, Andrea! I know all of you join me in wishing Andrea all the very best as he begins his new career as a teacher with the York Region District School Board.

Finally, I would like to welcome Daniel Dishaw as the new OHS Communications and Outreach Coordinator. Congratulations, Daniel! You can contact Daniel at ddishaw@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca.

OHS Tribute to Duncan McKillop 1923-2015

The Ontario Historical Society celebrates the life of Duncan Coulter McKillop, a long-time OHS member and heritage activist, who passed away on April 27, 2015, at the age of 92.

Duncan was born in St. Thomas, Ontario, in 1923, and studied history, economics, and political science at the University of Western Ontario. He then graduated with a law degree from Osgoode Hall and went on to practice law in St. Thomas for over 40 years. After his retirement, he went back to university and pursued a graduate degree to improve his research skills in aid of his love for local history.

Duncan was a founding member of the board of directors of the Tyrconnell Heritage Society (THS), which incorporated through affiliation with the OHS in 1994. THS saved and magnificently restored the historic 1851 Backus-Page House and now operates it as a museum, open to the public.

In addition to being a life member of the OHS, Duncan was also a founding member of the Elgin-St. Thomas Archives Association and was instrumental in helping Elgin County establish its

archives. He was a member of the London and Middlesex Historical Society, the London and Southern Ontario Branch of the United Empire Loyalists, and the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario. He was involved in compiling the names of the 1877 *Historical Atlas of Elgin County* by lot, concession, and township. Some of his other projects included reviewing local diaries, letters, and ledgers. He also studied, and was considered an expert on, Colonel Talbot and his land transactions.

Duncan served as the provincial director for The Ontario Genealogical Society between 1974 and 1977.

Duncan was a strong supporter of both local history and the OHS. For example, he wrote with L. Jane Hughes and presented a paper entitled "Anna Jameson and the First Nations: Fiction versus Fact" at the OHS's Celebrating One Thousand Years of Ontario's History Symposium in 2000.

The OHS salutes the dedication and enormous contribution of a tireless advocate for the preservation of Ontario's local history, the late Duncan McKillop.

Across the Province

Congratulations to the many individuals, organizations and communities celebrating a special anniversary this summer.

Peter Murphy, after 15 years of devoted civic duty as Brampton's Town Crier has retired. Thank you for all of your great work, Peter!

2015 marks not only the 400th anniversary of Champlain's travels in present day Ontario, it also marks 400 years since Étienne Brûlé began his expedition from present day Simcoe County to Lake Ontario. Details about commemorative events can be found at www.sht.ca.

Thornhill Village Festival will celebrate its 39th anniversary on September 19, and are calling for volunteers. Can you help? www.thornhillfestival.org.

It's been a busy year for the Port Colborne Historical and Marine Museum, which celebrates its 40th anniversary with "Lordy, Lordy, Look Who's 40!" including special exhibits and activities at the museum. They've also created Arabella's Tea Room Exhibit at Queen's Park and they continue work on the 220-year-old log cabin that they have moved to the museum grounds: 905.834.7604.

The David Dunlap Observatory in Richmond Hill marked its 80th anniversary in June. Funded by Jessie Donalda Dunlap, it was opened in 1935 as a gift to the University of Toronto in memory of her late husband. The University sold the facility and the surrounding land to Corsica Development in 2008. Since 2009, the Observatory has been operated by the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada Toronto Centre as an educational and outreach facility.

Cedarena, in the village of Cedar Grove, celebrated 88 years of serving the community with an event featuring outdoor skating, chatting, and enjoying hot chocolate and donuts in January.

Murney Tower celebrated 90 years since it was transformed into a museum with a gala celebration held in May. The tower was constructed in 1846 as part of the British defense of Kingston and Upper

Canada.

"In the Footsteps of John McCrae: Commemorating 100 Years of Flanders Fields" will be marked by a seven day escorted tour in October: www.guelphhistoricalsociety.ca.

Bygones Publishing has released two new books on social history in Ontario: *The Cross Roads: A History of Virgil Village, Ontario* by David F. Hemmings and *Homer – The Vanishing Village* by Margaret A. Ferguson. Copies can be purchased online at www.bygonespublishing.com or by calling 905.468.4964.

Paul Arculus, President of the Lake Scugog Historical Society, will lead a Cemetery Walk in Blackstock in partnership with St. John's Anglican Church to celebrate the church's 175th anniversary. The walk will take place on September 13 at 2:30 p.m.: www.stjohnsblackstock.com or 905.985.3658.

Thirty years ago, a tornado struck Barrie taking many lives and destroying numerous buildings, including a printing plant that was producing a book for the OHS. Both the plant and book were completely destroyed.

The Markham Historical Society and the Markham Museum have announced that there will not be a Pioneer Harvest Dinner in November. An alternative fundraising event is being planned.

The Library Collection of the Lanark County Genealogical Society is now housed at the Heritage House Museum in Smith's Falls. A research pass can be purchased for \$5 and is valid for a year: www.smithsfalls.ca/heritagehouse.

Historical society summer newsletters are filled with a variety of exciting upcoming events. The following is just a small sampling:

September 9: "A Stroll Down Rufus Adam's Farm Lane," with Mark Rowe, hosted by the Esquesing Historical Society. Acton Town Hall, 7 p.m. 905.877.9172.

September 11: Pedal for the Past: Fundraising Bike Ride, sponsored by the Friends of the OPP



Photo Sarah McCabe

OHS Project Manager Sarah McCabe recently visited the Oakville Historical Society to learn about plans for digitizing their archival collection of around 12,000 photographs and documents. Seen here are volunteers applying a new coat of paint to The Cottages, built mid-1950s on the historic Erchless Estate, which house the organization's offices, library, and archives. The Oakville Historical Society, established in 1953, incorporated through affiliation with the OHS in 1979.

Museum in Orillia in support of the OPP Museum. 705.330.4178.

September 17: "One Jam Berry After Another," with David Webb speaking on the Ontario Farm Service Corps and the Farmerettes, hosted by the Niagara Historical Society and Museum, 7 p.m. 905.468.3912.

September 21: "Memories of Teaching in a One-Room Rural School," with Dorothy Duncan, hosted by the Richmond Hill Historical Society. Wallace Hall Presbyterian Church, Richmond Hill, 7:30 p.m. 905.884.2789.

September 22: "Sitting Pretty," with Bev Dietrich, Curator of Guelph Civic Museum and John McCrae House, hosted by the Scarborough Historical Society. Bendale Library, Scarborough, 7:30 p.m.

September 23: Oxford Historical Society's Annual Dinner and Talk, with Dr. Elaine Becker speaking on her research and book on Woodstock's Fire Department: 519.421.1700.

September 29: "Historical Matters Related to Public Transit in Toronto," with Ed Munro, hosted by the East York Historical Society. S. Walter Stewart Library, 7 p.m.

October 3: Annual Pioneer Day, hosted by the Jordan Historical Museum, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Explore

your heritage roots!

October 13: Heritage Toronto Awards and Kilbourn Lecture, with Rahul Bhardwaj. Koerner Hall: www.heritagetoronto.org.

October 15-29: It's all about ghosts! "The Ghosts of Olde Oakville," hosted by the Oakville Historical Society. To make reservations: 905.844.2695.

October 16-18: "Circles of Interaction: The Wendat and their Neighbours in the Time of Champlain" Symposium, hosted by the Huronia Chapter of the Ontario Archaeological Society with the Eastern States Archaeological Federation and the Huron Wendat Nation. Midland Best Western Highland Inn: 705.526.9307 or 416.406.5959.

October 25: The 26th Annual Whiskey Tasting and Scottish Treats, hosted by the Lennox & Addington Historical Society. Allan Macpherson House, Napanee: 613.354.5982.

October 25: Loaf 'n' Ladle Pioneer Supper, hosted by the Brampton Historical Society. Historic Bovaird House. To make reservations: 905.874.2804.

October 28: "Tombstone Tales," with Laurel Beechey, hosted by the Oxford Historical Society. Woodstock Public Library, 7 p.m. www.oxfordhistoricalsociety.ca

Barry Penhale's Ontario: Huron County Luminaries

William "Tiger" Dunlop and Paul Carroll

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It is with enthusiasm that I take on the role as cheerleader and tub-thumper on behalf of two rather different individuals. I readily admit that both have earned my utmost admiration and their combined contributions to Huron County have historically benefited all Ontarians. No small feat!

The one gentleman, William "Tiger" Dunlop, left us a long time ago, on June 29, 1848, at age fifty-six. The other, Paul Carroll, is very much on the scene and continues to

forge ahead with a slate of heritage interests that would put most of us to shame. Notwithstanding their differing time frames, I have often thought of them as inseparable; however I chose to briefly part the two men in question and introduce them here individually, beginning with the Tiger.

Few personalities can be said to figure more in our province's story than the colourful Dr. William "Tiger" Dunlop. Truly a larger-than-life character, he was, in fact, a physically imposing individual with an unruly shock of reddish hair set atop his impressive height

of six feet, three inches. Rightfully remembered as a founding father of the town of Goderich, he was also an army surgeon, engineer, and soldier, and carried the lofty title of "Warden of the Woods" during his association with the Canada Company.

Born in 1792 in Greenock, Scotland, Dunlop studied medicine at the University of Glasgow and completed his army medical examinations late in 1812. In February 1813, he commenced his duties as an assistant army surgeon and later that year was posted to Upper Canada, assigned to treat soldiers wounded in battles against the invading American armies. Books and other writings concerning his experiences here make frequent mention of his off-the-wall

humour. Unfortunately, stories of his antics – and at times less-than-orthodox behaviour – have resulted in dwarfing the man's decency and his sizeable accomplishments. It is true that the man could tiddle, but those were the days when sobriety was anything but the norm. What has largely been overlooked are his leadership qualities and his ability to make and inspire friends from all walks of life. Although he was in truth a good man with an exceedingly charitable outlook, to this day his many efforts to make life better for the downtrodden have received minimal recognition.

Yarns told about the Tiger have grown in proportion with every

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Museum News

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MUSEUM MILESTONES

Gremlins got into the production of the last edition of Museum Milestones, resulting in some "typos."

Nicole Weppler is the curator/director of the Gore Bay Museum. Marie Turner's article that was mentioned is indeed printed in this issue of Museum News. Another

rural-themed article about a historic barn at the Grey Roots Museum & Archives is also included.

In the Ontario museum world: Bonnie Burke has retired as curator of the Brockville Museum. Natalie Wood is her replacement. Sandrena Raymond is the new curator at the Marine Museum of the Great Lakes in Kingston, while Wendy Tomlinson has recently taken on curatorial responsibilities

at the Community Waterfront Heritage Centre, formerly known as the Owen Sound Marine & Rail Museum.

I am saddened to note the following losses in the museum community. Margaret Machell, long-time keeper of the Grange, has died. Others who have recently passed away are Peter Ledwith, first curator at the Ontario Agricultural Museum, Dr. Jim Low, founder of the Museum of Health Care in Kingston, and Duncan McKillop, one of the originators of the Backus-Page House in Wallacetown. Condolences to all their families.

Welcome, Kristin!

At our recent AGM, Kristin Ives was appointed the new OHS Museums Committee Chair



Kristin is currently the Curator and Education Coordinator for the John R. Park Homestead. Welcome!

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Barn Restoration Creates Community Space for Grey Roots Museum & Archives

Project to restore 1907 structure an extensive team effort

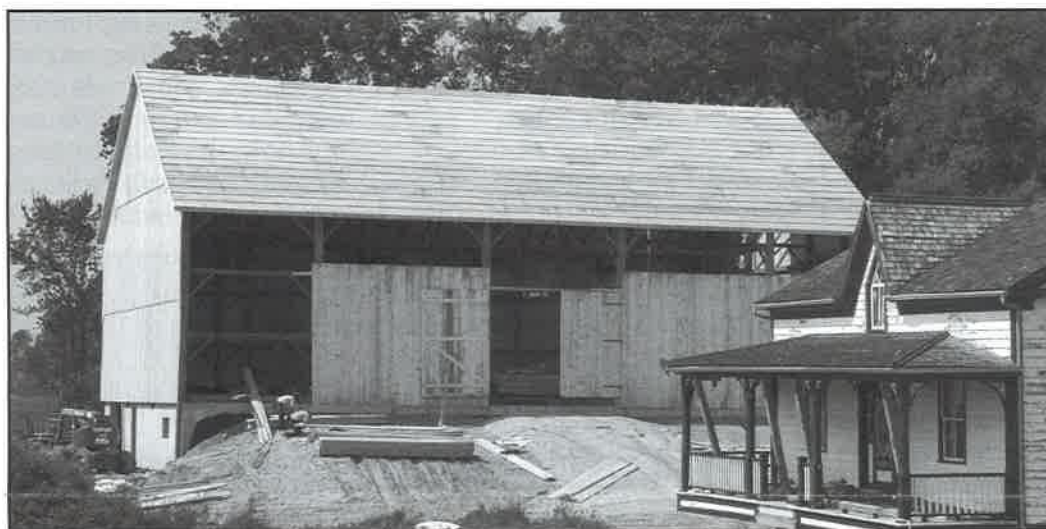


Photo GRMA

The relocation and restoration of a historic barn, built in 1907, took place at the Grey Roots Museum & Archives, located in Owen Sound. Pictured here in 2006 is the barn with its restored cladding and sub-roofing nearly complete.

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Standing considerably larger than a typical Grey County barn is an 86' by 56' rock elm timber-framed barn. Built in 1907 in Sydenham Township, the barn's history has been intertwined with that of the local Grey Roots Museum & Archives (GRMA) and a recently completed restoration project launched by museum staff has added yet another chapter to its story.

Originally featuring a single gable, double purlins, and a cedar-shingled roof, the barn was owned by either the McArthur family or the David McKay family, and stood at Lot 9, Concession 11, in Sydenham, which is located east of Rockford. It reportedly housed, for a time, a large interior poured concrete octagonal silo.

The barn remained in situ until 1978, when it was acquired from the Corporation of the County of Grey and the Owen Sound Power Utility Company and moved to the Owen Sound-Grey County Museum to be part of its heritage village. The rapid disappearance of bank barn structures was the primary rationale for the effort to preserve the barn.

Dismantled board by board by a team of local Mennonites, the original beams and floorboards were reassembled near the southeast corner of 6th Street E. and 9th Avenue E.

For nearly a quarter of a century, it was an integral part of the museum's programming, housing annual music performances and theatrical events. To that end, museum staff and volunteers built an additional stable structure to provide overnight housing for horses involved in special events.

In 2003, the County constructed a new museum and archives on 20 acres of land donated by Barry More on Grey Road 18, outside of Owen Sound. The barn was again dismantled, moved, and then reassembled at its current location in 2006.

The move required a good deal of teamwork and coordination, because the barn stored many large agricultural artefacts at the time. While the new foundation for the barn was constructed at the GRMA in July 2006, work commenced on dismantling the barn. By August 28, the Mennonite team began rebuilding the structure and, after only two days, the barn timbers were raised. A week later, the south side of the barn was clad with new boards and the remaining sides quickly followed. The barn was re-roofed with galvanized and corrugated steel, and the entire building was reinforced with vertical posts at ground level to provide adequate support for the very heavy agricultural machinery that would be stored on the granary level.

The barn was eventually electrified,

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Barn Raising Project:

Successful partnership between local rug hooking guild and the Simcoe County Museum a natural fit

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In the summer of 2011, the Huronia Branch of the Ontario Hooking Craft Guild approached the Simcoe County Museum (SCM) with the idea to form a mutually beneficial partnership. Inspired by other hooked rug exhibitions, the Barrie-based non-profit sought the SCM's help in launching the Barn Raising Project, which would solicit submissions of hooked rugs from the community with the purpose of holding an exhibition. The project was a wonderful opportunity to help to preserve the memory of historic rural barns in Canada, which continue to disappear at an alarming rate.

Rug hookers produce complex and intricate pieces of art by pulling loops of yarn or fabric through a stiff base woven with burlap, linen, or rug warp. They formerly hooked on old burlap feed sacks, but now a variety of backing materials, most often Scottish burlap or linen, are used. Rug hooking was an important craft for Ontario's pioneers and was a ubiquitous household endeavour around the time the barns themselves were being built.

Although rug hooking has continued in some areas, it enjoyed a resurgence in the 1970s – around the same time the Ontario Guild and Huronia Branch were established. Rug hooking enjoys a small but enthusiastic following, and well-attended annual meetings are held in various venues across Canada each May (Oshawa 2014, London 2015) that showcase hundreds of rugs from Ontario guilds.

To accomplish our goal

of launching the Barn Raising Project, the SCM was a logical partner for so many reasons. The museum has supported several local craft guilds for many years, providing space for meetings and events such as the annual Quilt and Rug Fair. SCM also hosts local Rug Hooking United Gathering (RUG) events, drawing between 100 and 200 rug hookers from across Ontario each May and October.

Kelley Swift-Jones, SCM's curator, was very receptive of the partnership and immediately got to work. "The opportunity to collaborate with the Hooking Craft Guild to create an exhibition that showcased our heritage in such a unique way was an exciting opportunity for the museum, and was a natural extension of our existing partnership," she remarked.

The partnership solved many challenges for the Huronia Branch, including the management and collection of funds (rug entry included a \$25 fee to help cover costs), insurance requirements, and transportation. Additionally, the museum offered to store the rugs and oversee loan agreements for a travelling exhibition created from the rug collection.

The call to entry required a \$25 fee and a signed agreement, which were due by October 2012; entrants had two years to complete and deliver their rugs. After adjudication and photography, the barn rugs were unveiled in May 2015 at the local RUG event. Additionally, Dr. John Carter presented "Barns: Our Disappearing Rural Heritage" to an avid audience. In total, 58 original hooked rugs, 40 of which had been chosen to be part

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and temporary lights were installed so that it could be used by staff and visitors for programming. Ted Noble, the Grey Roots' Building Superintendent and a master electrician, took care to run the electrical conduit on the unseen side of the beams and along the rafters to make it inconspicuous to visitors.

But the work did not end there! In 2012, a research project was launched by GRMA collection staff to learn more about – and visit – contemporary historic Grey County barns. The end goal of the research was to support the construction of accurate replica stalls and pens to support a mixed farming operation, and to acquire an early 20th century working manure track.

Coincidentally, Museum Manager Brian Manser (since retired) spent his childhood years on a farm in Ayton, Grey County, and one day stopped in to visit his parents' former barn and farmhouse, now the summer residence of a Toronto family. The barn had become unstable and its rear half had largely collapsed.

However, its litter carrier system, which included the original hangers, switch gear, track, and trough, remained mostly intact and operable. After speaking with the owners, GRMA staff were granted permission to photograph and measure the stalls, posts, and fences. The track and manure-related equipment, which included the spikes for affixing the hangers, was graciously donated to the museum in return for a charitable tax receipt.

"The move was a monumental task that involved nearly every department of the museum – this took the entire

day, but thankfully the weather cooperated," says Sim Salata, Collections Manager at GRMA.

A cement floor with manure gutters was poured. Over two dozen large artefacts, including a Moody horse treadmill, a propeller from the M.S. Norgoma, an Andrew McGill & Son (Chatsworth) silage cutter, a manure spreader, large wooden pulleys from Mitchell's Mill, three windmills, and a gate from McNeil's Cemetery were moved, using a skid steer and the museum's tractor.

Using the Ayton barn for inspiration, and creating a layout best suited for programming, Allan O'Neill, a recent addition to the maintenance department (and licensed carpenter), began installing the posts and building the pens and stalls needed to best accurately interpret the lower floor of the building.

Today, the barn is fully restored (minus the silo), and stands proudly and prominently on the museum grounds. Salata is optimistic about the community's access to the barn, "This level was opened to the public in the spring of 2013, and has since then been enjoyed by summer visitors to Moreston Heritage Village and used by the students competing in the Sydenham Fall Fair."

The main level is still being used to store a large number of artefacts and exhibit material, but currently there is a new Large Agricultural Equipment and Vehicle Storage and Exhibit building being constructed at Grey Roots that will allow for much of it to be relocated, freeing up the gangplank level for programming in the coming years.

Learn more about the GRMA by visiting www.greyroots.com.

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of the travelling exhibit, were on display. The collection demonstrated both the diversity of rural barns and how truly important they are to the individuals who had hooked the rugs.

Rugs for the Barn Raising Project had to be original designs, and participants were invited to submit a brief description detailing the significance of their entry. The ideas expressed about barns in the rugs were varied: memories might be romantic and nostalgic, or reverent, or realistic.

Rugs were judged by two rug hookers, Wendie Scott-Davis and Margret Miller, and a local artist, Paul Shaw. Nine awards were sponsored by various groups and individuals, and presented at the unveiling on May 3.

It was truly inspiring and gratifying to see all of the beautiful entries at the unveiling, especially knowing the history behind both the barns and the rugs – and the phenomenal amount of work each entailed. The event demonstrated the

power of a small idea, the ripple effect it can have, and how successful it can become with the help of strategic partnerships.

Approaching the project as a joint endeavour saw many benefits for the museum as well.

"This partnership offered the opportunity to work with the guild in a new and exciting way," remarked Swift-Jones. "It allowed our museum to reach out to other museums and galleries in Ontario, as well as other parts of Canada. With a travelling schedule that takes the Barn Raising Project throughout the country, both the SCM and the Guild benefit from the increased exposure."

The Simcoe County Museum produced a beautiful full-colour catalogue featuring the 40 winning rugs, and a copy was given to each person who submitted a rug. Copies are available from SCM for \$10.

The Barn Raising Project will travel to the annual Ploughing Match in Ivy this year and will be exhibited at the Rug Hooking Museum of North America in Nova Scotia next year.



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Cemetery News

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OGS/OHS Unregistered Cemeteries Project

The project continues to seek out hidden and neglected cemeteries across the province. We have submitted data to the Ontario Registrar of Cemeteries regarding cemeteries from Algoma County to Lanark County. Leeds, Lennox & Addington, and Lincoln are well in hand. We are grateful for the input from various OGS branches as well as many local historians.

Neil Patterson, Chair of the **Township of Rideau Lakes Abandoned Cemetery Project**, has helped to identify 32 abandoned cemeteries in the Leeds region. Twelve of these 32 have been restored to date. The process requires that each cemetery has its own team of dedicated advocates. Each team does its own fundraising while genealogical and historical information is collected to help support the restoration process, which must conform to the guidelines set out by the Ministry of Culture. All of this amazing work is done by volunteers and through various summer-works programs. Once completed, signs are erected and "Completion Celebrations" are held.

Vandalism

A long-time contributor continues to send me notices of vandalism. Sadly, this seems to be on the rise, and is both costly and emotionally upsetting for families. At the **Old English Churchyard in St. Thomas**, vandals stole copper eavestroughs and a brass star from a Civil War Memorial. Parts of **St. David's United Church Cemetery** were also vandalized and many of the smaller stones were toppled. Thankfully, historic stones dating from c. 1818 were not touched.

Alan Campbell, President of OGS, has urged that vigilance is needed to preserve Ontario's cemeteries. Citizens can make a difference by keeping a close eye on their local cemeteries. Any instances of vandalism should be reported to the police immediately. The OHS and the OGS can also respond quickly to any notices of removal or closing. Please contact cemeteries@ogs.on.ca, ohs@ontariohistoricalsociety.ca, or provoffice@ogs.on.ca.

Cemetery News and Updates

Brooke Township's **Victoria Methodist Church Cemetery** was recently ploughed over. At present, it is hoped that a site agreement will be reached to allow the cemetery to remain in situ.

A group of family members called "Remember Every Name" is working with the Ministry of Community Services to memorialize the 1,440 former residents buried in the cemetery at **Huron Regional Centre**. Most are buried in unmarked graves. Recently, septic tanks and sewage pipes that date back to the 1950s were

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The resources of the OHS are constantly challenged as we try to defend threatened cemeteries across the province. We can't do it alone. All donations receive a tax receipt.

discovered there. These drainage projects may have disturbed over 150 graves.

This year marks 125 years since the first burial in **Lakeshore Psychiatric Hospital Cemetery in Mimico**. There was a special celebration held to remember the 1,511 former hospital residents. Anne Zbitnew, of the Masters Research Project at York University, prepared a display for the event. Her focus was "breaking the silence, recovering and making public untold, hidden and forgotten histories." Ed Janiszewski heads a team of volunteers dedicated to the preservation of the cemetery. Their team embraces a close and cooperative relationship with the descendants and family members.

Holy Trinity Church in Thornhill celebrated its 185th anniversary in May. The cemetery, which was established in 1830, is home to several historically significant tombstones. Many of those buried at Holy Trinity contributed to the founding of the original village. New markers were constructed to replace the crumbling crosses erected in memory of eight indigent men who had been residents of the Langstaff Industrial Farm between 1928 and 1931. The sanctity of the cemetery and its long-standing trees are now threatened due to proposed construction at the Thornhill Golf & Country Club.

A small dedicated group in Grey County has banded together to restore dignity and respect to **West Bentinck Presbyterian Church Cemetery**. Many years ago, the tombstones and trees were removed, making way for inappropriate use. Much work must be done in order to properly restore this cemetery. A service was held in June to remember and honour the pioneers who developed the community in the early 1800s.

Concern has been raised about the condition of a cement memorial cairn in **St John's Presbyterian Cemetery in Cornwall**. It is believed that it was erected c. 1932 by collecting older stones and placing them in a three-tier square memorial. The process was similar to the memorial walls erected c. 1967. The old stones are porous and cement is not. Sadly, the stones are now crumbling or falling off entirely and breaking.

The Prince Edward County Library & Archives and **Glenwood Cemetery in Picton** have received an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant to digitize cemetery documents including burial records of the more than 14,000 burials at the cemetery since it was opened in 1873.

Road widening is planned for Highway 6 from Mount Forest to Grey Road 9 in Grey County.

There are two cemeteries the area. It is believed that **Cochrane Cemetery** will not be affected. An archaeological assessment will be made to determine the extent of **Robertson's Cemetery**, which was previously unknown to the Ministry of Transportation. Both cemeteries are registered with the Cemeteries and Crematoriums Regulation Unit.

The Johnson family was the first black family to settle in Halton. The site is now abandoned. We have provided registration information. The registered owner on title has to make the application for registration.

Descendants of those buried in **Spragge Roman Catholic Cemetery in Algoma**, have been denied admission to the cemetery. We had previously encountered a similar complaint about the **Spragge Protestant Cemetery**. Both cemeteries are registered. They are believed to be a part of the McFadden Estate. The operator/administrator lives in Harbour Spring, Michigan. The caretaker has been given instructions not to allow anyone access. Admission and maintenance concerns have been forwarded to the Registrar of Cemeteries.

A request and concern about ownership and maintenance of the **Lindsay Family Burial Ground near Tweed** revealed that it was registered and administered by the municipality of Tweed.

Development plans have been prepared for the land surrounding **Christ Church Cathedral in Hamilton**. There has been no mention of the known burials in the area.

A descendant of the Buttler family has provided us with pictures of the **Buttler Family Burial Ground in Monck Township, Muskoka**. The property is up for sale and it has been suggested that the burial ground be registered with the Cemeteries and Crematoriums Regulation Unit.

Members of the **Atikameksheng Anishnawbek / Whitefish Lake First Nation in Monterrieff Township north of Sudbury** are extremely concerned that lumbering operations near Benny are encroaching on their unmarked traditional burial grounds, a Catholic cemetery, and a youth camp (Camp Eagle Nest). Logging operations ceased during talks with Ministry of Natural Resources and Forests, but were resumed shortly thereafter.

A burial site at the **Cathedral of Saint Catherine of Alexandria in St. Catharines** was discovered during recent construction. The cemetery is believed to have been used between 1827 and 1856, but there are few remaining records. The cemetery was impacted by construction in 1956, 1957, and again in 1973. A site disposition agreement is currently being negotiated. There are also known burials under the adjoining parking lot that have not been disturbed. The cemetery was not listed with the Cemeteries and Crematoriums

Regulation Unit.

The Town of Tecumseth in Essex County has made an application for heritage designation for **Smith Cemetery, also known as Banwell Road Black Cemetery**. One of the four remaining tombstones marks the death of Washington Smith, who fought in the 1837 rebellion.

We were alerted to the disturbance of the **Graham Family Cemetery in the City of Brampton**. The City has added the cemetery to its Pioneer Cemeteries Restoration Program. An archaeological assessment will be undertaken to determine the boundaries, so that a fence can be installed.

The City of Markham has approved the design for a mausoleum at **Holy Cross Cemetery**. Although they are not opposed to its construction, local residents have voiced concerns over the size of the mausoleum, which exceeds the limits of existing bylaws.

The **Town of Huntsville** recently hosted their first Decoration Day at Hutcheson Memorial Cemetery, Stephenson Township Cemetery, Locks (Brunel) Cemetery, Madill United Cemeteries, and Christ Church Ilfracombe Cemetery. These cemeteries are registered and maintained by the Town.

The **Smith Falls Historical Committee** seeks information on the **Old Ward Burial Grounds**. They would like to know about the canal workers buried in or around the cemetery. The aim is to commemorate the unregistered cemetery with a historical plaque.

Plans for the preservation of the burial grounds attached to **St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Weston** have not yet been published. The forgotten burial ground, established in 1853, was rediscovered during the construction of a new school when over 150 grave shafts were uncovered. Members of the Parish held a memorial Mass in February. It is hoped the burial grounds will be honoured with a cenotaph.

Warner Cemetery in Niagara Township recently held its annual meeting. Established in 1801 and designated under the *Ontario Heritage Act*, it is one of the province's oldest active cemeteries. The cemetery is managed by a volunteer board, many of whom are descendants of original members of the Methodist Meeting House. Christian Warner, one of Canada's key founding fathers, is buried in the cemetery. There is a perpetual care fund in place to maintain the cemetery, but, with today's low interest rates, the fund cannot generate sufficient income to cover maintenance costs. The cemetery seeks tax-deductible donations.

The April 2015 newsletter of the Pennsylvania German Folklore Society of Ontario, Chapter of the Twenty, describes the unveiling of a historical plaque at **Jordan Menonite Cemetery**. The cemetery

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retelling, causing one to ponder the question where to draw the line between truth and fiction. Yet there may be some truth to the best of them, which some of the most serious historians are loath to admit. A favourite of mine involves his brother, Robert, their live-in housekeeper, and Tiger himself. It seems that local tongues began wagging, and suggestive innuendos were made concerning the propriety of the two highly prominent bachelors, and what may or may not be going on behind drawn blinds. Under the circumstances, William and Robert agreed to flip a coin to determine which of them would marry their housekeeper Louisa McColl, affectionately known as Miss Lou. Word has it that the Tiger produced a "two-headed" coin to win the toss and Robert, in an unusual fashion, was to become a married man while that rascal William would live the life of a bachelor to the end.

Probably Dunlop's biggest booster is the second gentleman in this story, and my friend, Paul Carroll. Paul is an amazing individual in his own right, with a

lengthy and unrivalled record of service to Goderich and Huron County.

Carroll's tale is that of a local boy who has achieved both personal and professional success through sheer determination coupled with his excellent organizational skills. Along the way, he has set the standard for tireless volunteering, serving on countless committees, and leading the way on behalf of heritage awareness and preservation across Huron County. When we first became acquainted, Paul was the president of the Huron Historical Society, a position he held for many years.

"You name it," and Carroll has done it, having founded, chaired, or co-chaired countless foundations, sites, and organizations. A former Town of Goderich reeve, Paul is also a marine and Great Lakes authority, an accomplished artist, author of several bestselling books, and, oh yes, the retired director of education and secretary-treasurer on the Huron County Board of Education and Avon Maitland District School Board. Whew!

In recent years, Paul Carroll has recognized the need to produce



Pictured (far right) is Paul Carroll and colleagues accepting the 2013 OHS Dorothy Duncan Award on behalf of the Great Lakes Storm of 1913 Remembrance Committee, a not-for-profit organization that was formed to commemorate the storm's centenary in and around Huron County.

small publications of local historical importance. These are published at his own expense, and represent yet another way in which he has elected to honour his favourite town and county. Among these is Carroll's contribution to the local Bicentenary observances, a fascinating reprint of writings concerning the War of 1812, originally issued as a 1918 Ministry of Education publication and penned by his hero, William "Tiger" Dunlop.

A book long out of print, but essential reading for anyone wishing to know more about Dunlop and his time bears the title *In the Days of the Canada Company*, authored by sisters Robina and Kathleen Lizars. First published

in 1896 by William Briggs and running almost five hundred pages, a facsimile edition was produced by Mika Publishing of Belleville in 1973. I would also recommend *The Canada Company and the Huron Tract, 1826-1853* by Robert C. Lee of Ottawa. Published under the Natural Heritage Books imprint in 2004, this extensively researched book offers a great deal to our understanding of the Ontario that existed in John Galt's and Tiger's day. It remains in print. To round out this group, I must add the delightful biography of *William (Tiger) Dunlop: The Tiger of Canada West* by W.H. Graham. First published in 1962 by Clarke, Irwin & Company Ltd., copies are regrettably hard to come by, but the book may still be found through an internet search.

For some years, the community of Goderich held an annual event known as Tiger Dunlop Days. To my way of thinking, the old irascible Scot still warrants being remembered this way. Perhaps it is wishful thinking, but let's hope those entrusted with the preservation of Huron County's magnificent history may move to bring back this lively event. We can be certain that Paul Carroll would be on hand – and the Tiger too – if only the good doctor was not occupied elsewhere.

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Macdonell. All of Upper Canada became his parish when he was named Vicar General of Upper Canada in 1807.

A charismatic leader admired by many, Macdonell later became known as "the Big Bishop" or "the Warrior Bishop" not only because of his role in the Irish rebellion of 1798, but also because of his chaplaincy of the Glengarry Light Infantry Fencibles during the War of 1812.

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was affiliated with the Mennonite Church that was established in the early 1840s. The Town of Lincoln designated the cemetery in 1988. The same newsletter has a tribute written by Pat High for Moses F. Rittenhouse (1846–1915). Mr. Rittenhouse made many philanthropic bequests. Among the bequests were funds to establish a new community cemetery known as **Vineland Cemetery**. It rests adjacent to the old stone-walled

Mennonite Burying Ground.

The City of Hamilton has finally approved a draft plan for the Sulphur Springs Development in Ancaster. This project has been held up since 2004 due to the discovery of the **Cooley-Hatt Cemetery**. The cemetery was part of the Cooley farm, and was used by the family and their neighbours from 1790 to the 1820s. Richard Hatt, husband of Kate

Cooley, was buried there in 1819. Hatt was a prominent businessman, a soldier who served during the War of 1812, and a member of the Legislature. The cemetery is to be preserved and deeded to the City of Hamilton, and a private road will be built to provide access. It is hoped that a rededication will take place this year.

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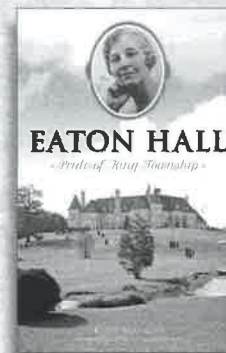
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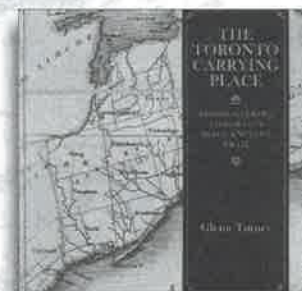


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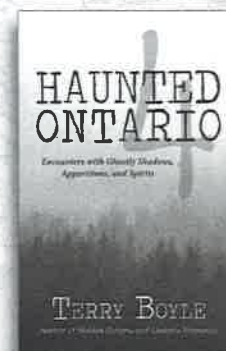
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