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A message from the president

by Hazel Lloyst

In June, which now seems like a very long time ago, your Executive held a special meeting that allowed us to discuss and make recommendations on a large number of items. The meeting was not a formal Strategic Planning meeting in the true sense, but more a "roll-up the sleeves" discussion group to review the Society's goals, activities, and needs. The evening was capably facilitated by Special Advisor to the Board, Gerry Boyce.

As always, Gerry's suggestions and recommendations were very timely and welcome and I would like to take the opportunity to thank him for his never ending commitment to our organization. Additionally, I want to thank our board members for attending this special meeting and not only providing valuable input but also stepping forward to assume additional responsibilities. I know that each of them, as attested by their biographies (page 2), are very, very busy people and the Hastings County Historical Society is just one of their many interests.

In discussing our Society's goals, activities, and needs, one thing became abundantly clear, we need the assistance of additional members in order to take advantage of our Hastings Heritage Centre in Cannifton. With that in mind, a motion was put forward and approved that states, "That a Hastings Heritage Centre Committee be established and empowered to compile a prioritized list of activities with respect to the Centre." We are therefore looking for volunteers to serve on this committee and would ask volunteers to con-

sider giving us one morning per week to work on such things as:

- maintenance and cleanup
- preparation of deficiency list: lighting in basement, leaks, hot water, etc.
- newspaper picture cataloguing: *Quinte Weekly News*
- city document sorting (papers in metal box)
- Mika Collection
- sorting of newspapers (some date to the mid 1700s)
- improved arrangement of pictures and documents
- shelving for City's assessment rolls, purchase, erect and fill
- moving Society materials from Glanmore, especially the boxes of *Belleville's Heritage Volume 2* and the Society's minutes and other records from 1957. There are also newspapers at the Prince Edward County Archives which they have requested be moved to our location.

Another recommendation which came forward was that "Consideration be given to the appointment of other persons as building research advisors, genealogical research advisors, landscape advisors, etc. Those people that are currently volunteering their services will continue to do so in each of their areas of interest but there is also a need for additional volunteers.

The Executive also approved "the establishment of a small reference library of local reference materials and that such materials be purchased whenever funds for that purpose are received through donations." To that end, Peter Wheatley has generously donated and put in place, a wooden bookcase for our use. We have already started to receive donations of books and we will be pleased to recognize and publicly thank all those donating to our library.

Another recommendation is that we explore any additional avenues of funding that may be available to us. We are currently awaiting approval on our 2000 Heritage Organization Development Grant from the Ministry of Citizenship, Culture and Recreation. This is the grant which we apply for each year. Recently the Ministry has announced a \$5-million Heritage Challenge Fund Community

Program that provides matching funds for capital projects. We will meet to determine whether or not there is an opportunity to apply for a grant in relation to our Heritage Centre and will advise you of our findings on this and other grant initiatives that may be available to us.

Other items which will be coming before us is submission of candidates for The Ontario Medal for Good Citizenship as well as The Ontario Medal for Young Volunteers, The Ontario Volunteer Service Awards and The Outstanding Achievements Awards for Volunteerism in Ontario. If there is someone whom you feel would be worthy of consideration for these awards, please contact a member of our executive for further information.

We had another very successful joint Yard Sale with The Friends of Glanmore and we realized a profit of \$405 for each group. A big thank you to the volunteers, the donors and those who came out and purchased items from us. It would seem that this is to become an annual event.

We have a wonderful (or it can be) Hastings Heritage Centre that needs to be put to good and fruitful use. Once we have the volunteers in place, we would like to have an official ribbon cutting to celebrate our Heritage Centre and make it accessible to the public. We have some great recommendations and projects that we would like to complete and we have a dedicated board and group of volunteers.

In order to accomplish everything that needs to be done, we need additional help from additional volunteers. We are therefore giving you, our members, first opportunity to volunteer for any area that you find of interest. If we have missed an area that is of interest to you, please let us know and we will gladly find a slot for you. We want to give everyone an opportunity to join in and help us preserve our local history. So that you are aware of it, we will also be making a public appeal for volunteers through the media and through the Volunteer Bureau so if you have an interest, please let us know right away so that we can give you first priority. Together, we can make a difference.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, September 19, 2000

Guest Speaker

Frank F. Stockwell (Retired)

Topic: Haida and Athabaskan stories

Refreshments at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting begins at 8 p.m.

Here's a bit about your executive

Vera Morton:

* Career as a Registered Nurse - retired after 30 years employed with the Belleville General Hospital.

* Board Member for six years with the Hastings/Prince Edward District Health Council.

* Past Board Member of the YMCA, Quinte Arts Council, Ontario Nurse's Association

* Past President of the Belleville Theatre Guild.

* Past President of the Belleville General Hospital Nurse's Alumni.

* Presently Board Member of Quinte Cultural Centre at BCI, Cancer Care Ontario - South Eastern Ontario, Kingston Regional Cancer Centre Advisory Committee, Member of the Ontario Breast Screening Program.

* Director of the Hastings County Historical Society for past three years.

* Enjoys curling, cycling, walking, swimming and our beautiful City of Belleville.

Peter Wheatley:

Peter has lived in the Quinte area for over 25 years. He has been Treasurer of the H.C.H.S. for the past three years. For many years he has had an interest in local history and has read a

number of books on the subject. Lately he has begun collecting older postcards of Belleville, many of which picture former buildings and places of the area. Peter and his partner have Bates & Wheatley Bookkeeping & Income Tax providing bookkeeping and tax consulting services. Peter has been married to his wife Joanne for 30 years, they have four adult children and two grandchildren.

Hazel Lloyst:

* A life-long resident of the Quinte area except for a few short stays in Edmonton, Vancouver and Ottawa before coming back to Belleville for good in 1984. Hazel's family owns and operates Shelter Valley Farm and Greenhouses and have been vendors on the Belleville Farmers' Market for over 46 years.

* Hazel started her working career in industrial plants in the city before becoming a Stock Broker (8 years), Marketing (2 years), Personnel Agency (12 years) and most recently (April, 1999) she joined the Belleville General Hospital Foundation as their Planned Giving Officer. She is thoroughly enjoying her new career.

* A long history of volunteer

service, she is a Past President of the YMCA (5 years), a Past President and Honourary Life Member of the Ontario Association of Police Services Boards (5 years), a Past President of the Belleville Police Services Board (6 years), a Past President of both the Belleville and Nepean Carleton Jaycees, a Past President of the Belleville Farmers' Market Association (12 years) and a Past Director of the United Way of Quinte (2 years), the Belleville & District Chamber of Commerce (4 years), Heritage Belleville (3 years) and the Women's Sales & Ad Club of Belleville. Hazel is a Rotarian and is currently President of the H.C.H.S.

* Three years ago when the newspaper printed an article stating that the HCHS could dissolve because of lack of Board Members, Hazel stepped forward to volunteer. She has always had an interest in history and strongly endorses the words of one of our guest speakers who stated, "we all have a duty to protect our heritage". She is pleased to do what she can to assist the Hastings County Historical Society in remaining a viable organization.

* Hazel is an avid sailor and a passionate gardener (Trillium

Award Winner) and also enjoys walking and reading

* She is the mother of two sons (one deceased) and has three granddaughters

* Hazel and her partner Michael live in a 145 year old home in the west end of Belleville

Elizabeth Mitchell:

I have been on the Hastings County Historical Society's Board of Directors since 1995. I was president for three years, from 1995 to 1997, and I have been Archives chair since 1994, and I am also currently Membership Chair and Minus 100 coordinator.

I have always had an interest in history. I got my B.A. at the University of Toronto (Trinity College), majoring in English with some History courses, including a memorable year-long course in Canadian history given by three of the best-known historians of the time, W.J. Eccles, J.M.S. Careless, and Donald G. Creighton.

After three years as an English teacher and school librarian in North Bay, I returned to the University of Toronto for my Master of Library Science. I wanted to work in a public li-

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brary, so I took a variety of courses including one on Canadiana Collections. This proved very useful when I became Information Services Librarian at Belleville Public Library in 1973. With the area's Loyalist heritage and strong interest in genealogy, the Canadiana collection is well-used and is known to researchers far beyond Belleville. The Hastings County Historical Society's print archives were placed in the Canadiana Room in 1974, and the library's own collection of local history, local authors, and genealogy has continued to grow over the years. As part of my work, I enjoy helping researchers who come to the library searching for ancestors or local history.

When I am not at the library, I am often pursuing one of my other interests, playing the organ. As organist at St. Paul's Anglican Church, and assistant at St. Thomas', and occasionally filling in at other churches, practising keeps me busy. I also enjoy Scottish Country Dancing, and gardening when I have time.

Shelly Lucas:

I have been residing in the Belleville area for approximately six years. I am currently working at Sears Canada in the Finance Department. Prior to Sears I worked at National Trust/Scotia Bank for fifteen years. I have been on the executive committee for approximately six months as secretary. I thoroughly enjoy being actively involved in the Historical Society and hope to make a difference in the community.

Lewis Zandbergen:

Lewis Zandbergen is a Stirling, Ontario, based writer and historical researcher. He began writing for *The Community Press* newspaper, the area's number one weekly, in 1985 and is now employed full-time as copy editor, writer, proofreader and layout person. He writes book reviews, commentary and also does a bit of reporting on the side.

Lewis, along with Gerry Boyce, Bob Gay, June Sine and Kathy Karkutt, co-authored *Sidney Township 200*, a soft-cover magazine/book celebrating the

200th anniversary of Sidney Township. He, along with several other Quinte-area writers, has self-published two anthologies of short stories: *Eight By Two* and *Mervyns by the Dozen*. Lewis is the president of the Stirling Historical Society; editor of *The Outlook*, the newsletter of the Hastings County Historical Society; editor of *Quinte Kin* the newsletter of the Marilyn Adams Genealogical Research Centre, and *The Beacon* the Quinte

Mr. Zandbergen is the winner of the Ontario Genealogical Society's Marion Keffer Award for newsletter design and layout and winner of the Ontario Genealogical Society competition for the best genealogical account for his story about Captain John Meyers' slaves called "Who Knows Where the Descendants of Captain Meyers' Slaves Are?" He was awarded an Ontario Heritage certificate in 1998 for his work with the Stirling Historical

his favourite fiction authors.

Because he's a historian he also reads a *lot* of non-fiction.

He has been married to Fran for 21 years, is the father of three, Jennifer, Peter and Sarah and grandfather of one: Keaton Alexander.

Carson Cross:

Although he was born in Lachine, Quebec, most of Carson's younger years were spent in Malton, Ontario, home of the ill-fated Avro Arrow. After high school he joined the Naval Branch of the Canadian Armed Forces and as radioman got to see plenty of the world resulting in a deeper appreciation of Canada; "You never appreciate what you have until you see other cultures."

After his tour with the Armed Forces, Carson held a number of other jobs which allowed him to see much of Ontario. He and his wife decided to settle down in Belleville where he was offered employment as a firefighter and he has been with the Belleville Fire Department since 1989.

One of his proudest accomplishments was being president of the Hastings County Historical Society for two years. He joined the Society because of his respect for our history and for the personal goal of improving his public speaking abilities and his comfort in front of an audience.

He tends to be philosophical when it comes to the relationship between a firefighters and the history of the area. He says there is a need to know how early buildings were constructed in case of fire. Firefighters are usually the last people to enter a building prior to its demise and they are struck with the sense of loss, not only of the building but all the events that took place in its years of "life."

Carson's plans for the future include continuing his active role in the community; it is a special place.



Here's your Hastings County Historical Society Board of Directors. Left to right are secretary Shelly Lucas, membership and archives chair Elizabeth Mitchell, treasurer Peter Wheatley, public relations chair Vera Morton and president Hazel Lloyst. Past president and program chair Carson Cross and Outlook editor Lewis Zandbergen were not present for the photo shoot.

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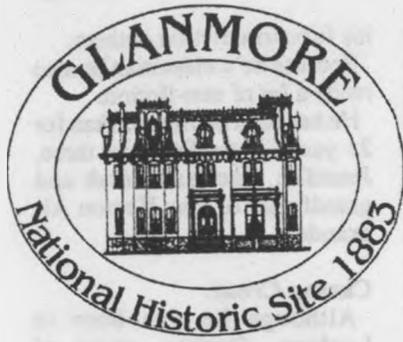
Branch OGS annual magazine; writes the heritage column for *The Umbrella*, the Quinte Arts Council magazine; writes the Branch Notes feature for the Ontario Genealogical Society publication *Newsleaf*; and is the chairman of the Stirling-Rawdon Public Library board of directors.

Society.

In his spare time, Lewis collects old books, antiques, ephemera (newspapers, photographs, letters, and other paper documents), and refinishes furniture. He is an avid reader; Stephen King, John Jakes, Garrison Keillor, James A. Michener and W.O. Mitchell are



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Welcome Education Co-ordinator

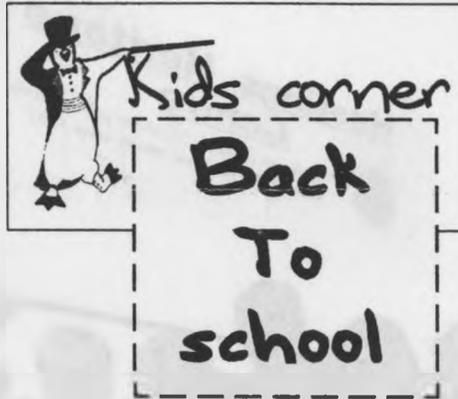
Glanmore National Historic Site welcomes Melissa Wakeling to the staff as Education and Marketing Co-ordinator. Melissa comes to us from Woodstock where she was the curator of the Beachville District Museum; she has a degree in History and Anthropology from Trent University and a Postgraduate Certificate in Museum Management from Sir Sandford Fleming College. Melissa has specialized in museum education throughout her ten years in the field and has also worked at noted museums such as the Muskoka Lakes Museum in Port Carling and the London Regional Children's Museum.

"This is a wonderful museum and a great community. I'm thrilled to be here," Melissa said recently.

We look forward to discovering the exciting programs and events Melissa has in mind for Glanmore.

Get Involved with Glanmore

The Friends of Glanmore will be holding their annual volunteer recruitment meeting on Tuesday, September 5, from 10:30 a.m. until 12 p.m. Anyone interested in volunteering at Glanmore is invited to join us for coffee and an informal meeting. There are plenty of different volunteer opportunities at Glanmore, including reception, guiding tours, education program assistants, crafting, baking and more. Glanmore could not successfully offer many programmes and events without the help and dedication of volunteers.



Glanmore National Historic Site is pleased to once again be able to offer quality educational services to schools and community organizations. As a Partner in Education with our two local school boards, Glanmore offers educational programming relevant to the Ministry of Education's Ontario School Curriculum. Pioneer Adventures, a program for Grades 1 to 3 will be available year-round (except November, December and June). Other topics scheduled on a seasonal basis will include Victorian Christmas Tour, The Home Children, Canada at Play: 100 years of Games, Toys and Sports and Garden Delights. Teachers interested in booking school programs should call Melissa Wakeling, Education Co-ordinator at (613) 962-2329.



Are you interested in volunteering with school groups? Training for the Pioneer Adventures school program will take place Thursday, September 21. Contact Melissa Wakeling, Education Co-ordinator at (613) 962-2329 for more details.

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