

The Municipality of Port Hope Historical Society

Newsletter

June 2005

Message from the President

It has been a pleasure to have been involved in the society since about 2001 and on the executive since 2003. I have met many interesting friends and committed members who are diligent in preserving the past and looking forward to the future with new opportunities to be involved in our community.

It is with your help that we will forge ahead into the future. We are also looking for new events, speakers, members.... so if you have ideas, please feel free to contact me.

Also, I wanted to take this opportunity to thank Mark Peacock and his wife, Lynda for their commitment and hard work over the past couple of years in promoting the society. Their time was a valuable asset to the future society. We look

forward to continuing with them in different roles.

Your 2005-2006 Executive:

President: Joan Smith
Vice President: Lynda Peacock
Treasurer: Neil MacKellar
Secretary: Theresa Menagh
Directors: John Smith
Larry Hall
Cal Morgan
Nelson Gardiner

Dorothy's House

Chair: Mark Peacock
Secretary: Faye Kennedy

There are 2 vacant director positions available.

If you are interested in helping to fill these positions or know of someone who might, we welcome your input and support.

Thank you in advance for all your work and support.

DOROTHY'S HOUSE MUSEUM

The society has many plans for the upcoming events for the year. With summer upon us, the Museum at Dorothy's House in Garden Hill will be bustling with activities and hosting displays on the weekends. A brochure is

included outlining the activities planned.

If you can help, please contact Mark Peacock at 905-797-3271.

Past events recaptured

February 4th and 5th - we had a display table at the Northumberland Mall in Cobourg for their Heritage Days. This event had great attendance and there were a few donations to our Society including old dishes, brushes and a newspaper article on the flood in Port Hope.

February 20th, our annual Heritage Fair at the Lion's Center in Port Hope was well attended with over 35 display tables and 250 guests each depicting items of diverse historical nature. Items from different countries of the world, different occupations were featured.

The luncheon was superb...

March 16th, the scrumptious roast beef dinner provided by the Port Hope Presbyterian Church ladies was wonderful.

The evening featured presentations celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Port

Hope Flood [1980-2005]. Nelson Gardiner had a slide presentation that captured the rising water from the Ganaraska River starting out at Garden Hill near his farm into Port Hope.

Former Mayor 1980 Bill Wyatt provided us with his involvement in the Flood.

Bill Newell from Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority presented us with his 1st high water event while he was wading through the creek warning people to take precautions as it was going to flood.

Leslie Benson, Engineer provided us with information on the channellization of the Ganaraska River and her involvement after the flood.

It was a great evening to reflect back on the accomplishments, struggles and look forward to the improvements for the future.

April 20th, was the Annual Meeting and the election of new officers. We also had a show and tell of very unique objects that individuals had to share. It was a great evening.

May 18th, Stan Frost from Saskatoon was our speaker. He provided us with a very informative and historical presentation of Eldorado, which became Cameco. We met at the Ruth Clarke Activity Center on Mill Street.

Coming events

Dorothy's House Museum - see attached brochure

Highlights – if you can help on these days, please contact Joan Smith at 905-342-2657 or joan.mbs@sympatico.ca.

July 29-31 - we will be joining with the Port Hope High School Reunion - 50 years. There will be extra events and possible bus tour.

Aug 13-15 - we will have a historical display table at Hunco Farms on Highway 2 between Port Hope and Cobourg for their annual agricultural event from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Aug 20-21 - please join us for the Annual Rural Ramble out at Dorothy's House Museum. This is a main event for travellers to explore our rich countryside and the aspects of historical and farming natures. They have a great line up of places to stop and explore.

ALSO

Sept 16-18 - Port Hope Fall Fair.... we hope to have a display table – stay tuned.

Sept 23 - We are anticipating another roast beef/turkey dinner at the Port Hope Presbyterian Church. Stay tuned for further details.

Oct 19 - general meeting speaker – Greg Smith, Senior Vice President of Ontario Power Generation OPG. We will meet at the Ruth Clarke Activity Center on Mill Street.

Nov 16- general meeting speaker

Dec 4 - Wassail Bowl at Dorothy's House Museum from 2-4 pm.

2006 ... stay tuned

– we have some interesting events being planned.

Jan 18 - general meeting speaker

Feb 3-5 - Heritage Days at Cobourg Mall

Feb 19 Heritage Days at the
Lions Center - Port Hope

Mar 15 - general meeting
speaker

Apr 19 - Annual meeting

May 17 - general meeting
speaker

Memberships:

I am enclosing a renewal form
for memberships for the 2005-
2006 season so that all are on
the same schedule.

Yearly rates remain the same.

Single \$9.00

Couple \$15.00

Family \$20.00

Life \$75.00

Business \$30.00

Thank you in advance for your
continued support for Historical
events.

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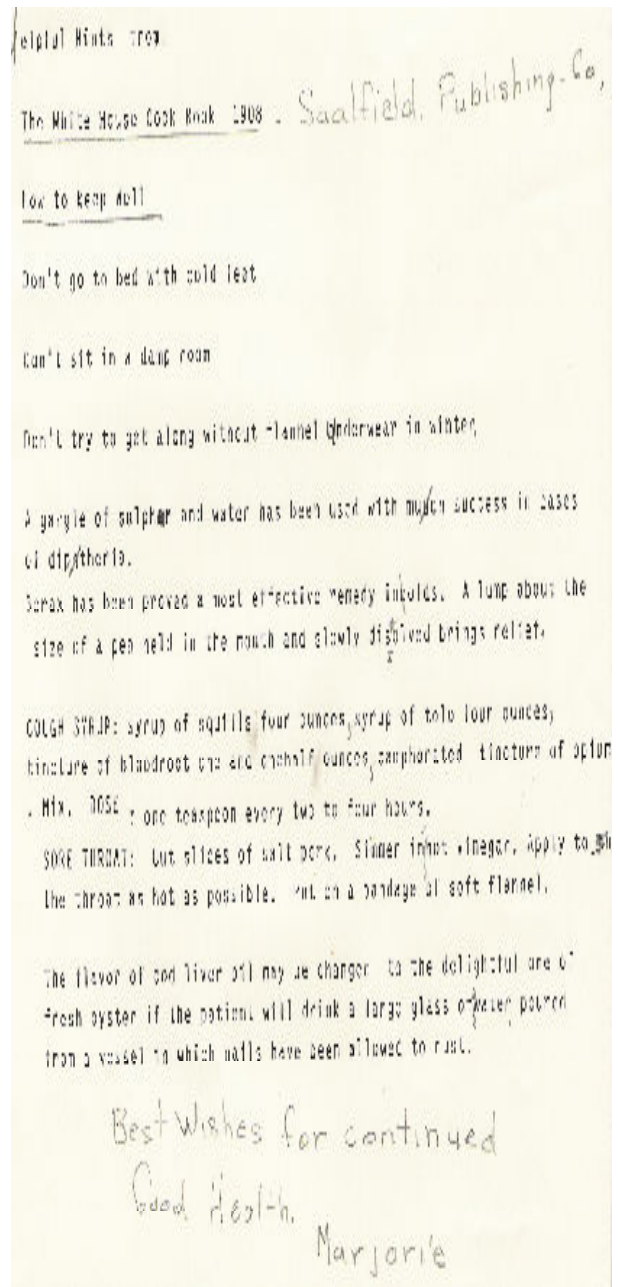
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If you have articles to submit
for next newsletter, please
forward to Joan Smith.

Wishing you and your family a
great summer season with



friends and family. Stay
healthy. Until Fall.