



# Society Newsletter

## Heritage Fair 2015 honoured once again by Rick Norlock, MP for Northumberland-Quinte West

**R**ick Norlock was first elected in 2006, re-elected in October 2008 and most recently in May 2011. He is photographed here, left to right, with PHDHS Interim President Joan Ashby Parrott, his wife, Judy, and Board member Rod Parrott. Mr. Norlock told the writer that he's been always thankful to represent his constituents in Northumberland-Quinte West and to do so for

close to a decade. "I am truly honoured," he said. "My whole working career has been in public office." His first long-term career was with the Ontario Provincial Police and after his retirement from the OPP, "it was my wife, Judy," he said, "who helped convince me to run for federal office."

As the Member of Parliament for Northumberland-Quinte West, Mr. Norlock had the privilege of sitting on many committees, including as a Member of the Standing Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness and the Standing Committee for Social Justice and Human Rights. Prior to that he served as a member of the Standing Joint Committee on the Scrutiny of Regulations.



Mr. Norlock was also deeply involved in the issues that directly affect the constituents of Northumberland-Quinte West as Chair of the Eastern Ontario Caucus, and Chair of the Conservative Law Enforcement Officers Caucus. Ask about his retirement and he says "it is simply the fact that I want to spend more time with my family. After working 40-plus years I want to take the time to enjoy my family; spending time with my sons, their families and most importantly, to spend time with my ever-supportive wife, Judy.

Mr. Norlock also wanted to take this opportunity to thank, as he said, "the great citizens of Northumberland-Quinte West for putting their faith in me for three Parliaments. It has been an honour and a privilege to work in Ottawa. Now I look forward to spending more time teaching my grandchildren to enjoy the great outdoors and to be there for them when they need advice from their grandfather."

The members of Port Hope and District Historical Society wish Mr. Norlock many years of pleasure and happiness with his wife, Judy, and family on the next leg of his journey.

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# Interim President's report



The Heritage Fair was held on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at the Lion's Centre, Port Hope and it was a very interesting day. The 21 exhibitors did a great job with their displays which were enjoyed by all that attended. A special thank you to all the Volunteers, and MP Rick Norlock and wife, Judy, for taking time out of their busy schedules to drop in and have lunch with our volunteers. Thanks to all who participated.

The Annual Giant Fundraiser Yard Sale was held June 19, 20, 21, 2015 at Dorothy's House Museum with all donated proceeds going towards its maintenance and repairs. Again, thank you to all who donated items and gave of their time to help make it a successful weekend.

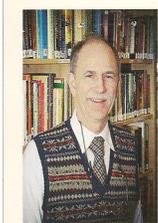
The Museum opened for public viewing on July 4th and 5th so we took advantage of both days and also held another fundraiser yard sale with the added blessing of great weather.

The 6th Annual Monarch Butterfly Tag and Release event will be held on Saturday, August 29, 2015 [See Events page 4]. Don Davis will again do his presentation, generously volunteering his time as in previous years for the enjoyment of everyone. We hope to see you there; be sure to invite your friends.

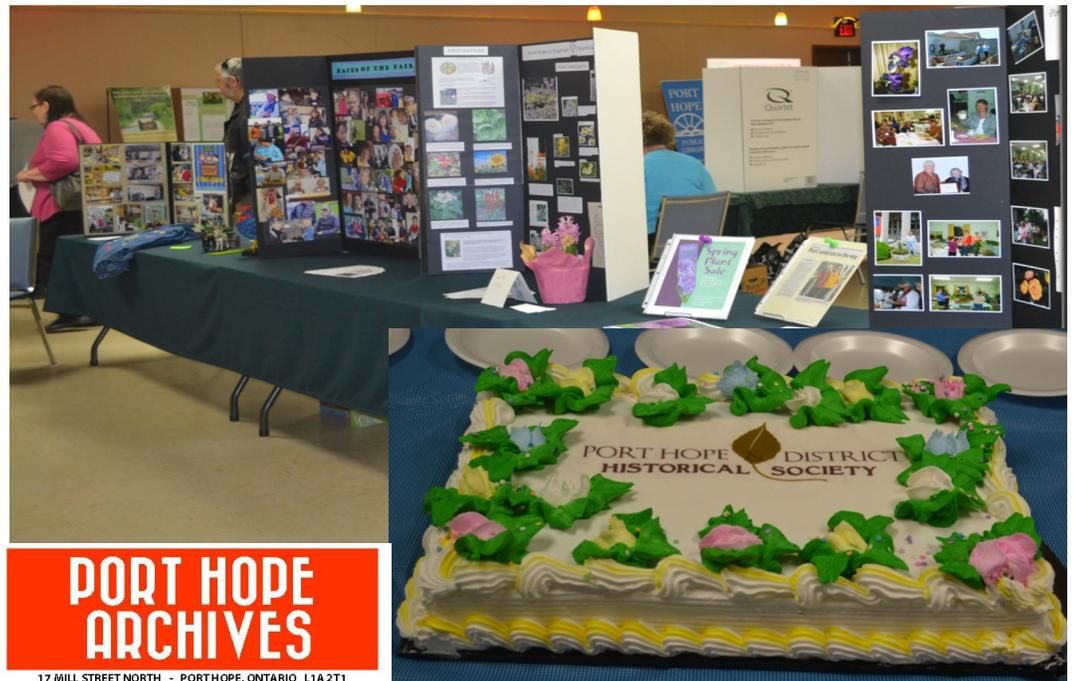
Come and see us at Dorothy's House this summer on weekends in July and August. Thank you.

Joan Ashby Parrott, Interim President & Secretary.

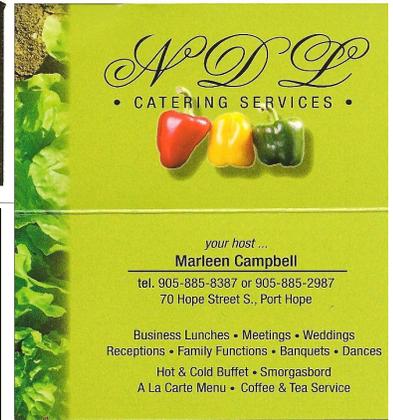
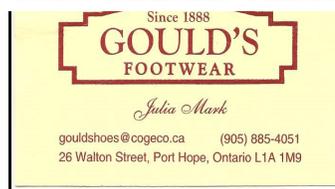
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## Garden Hill's First Librarian, Founders and Locations



**Betty Elliott — 1920-2001**

**I**n the spring of 1974 the Garden Hill Library [then a part of the Lake Ontario Regional Library system] was formed. Founders were Mary Gardiner, Betty Elliott, Ida Wilson and Edith Caruthers. Betty Elliott performed the duties of librarian from its inception until her retirement at the present building. It had its beginnings in the basement of the Garden Hill United Church and was open 10 hours a week. It later moved to Campbellcroft in the former store owned by Ken and Joan Greer. When the Hope Township Fire Hall#2 was built in 1982 the library was included in the plans and remains there today. It officially became part of the Port Hope Library system upon amalgamation of Hope Township with Port Hope in 2001.

Thanks to Marcia Howe, daughter of Betty Elliott, and Marilyn Gardiner for their contribution to this article. Marcia provided the information and photo of her mom, and Marilyn provided the group photo she had saved from *The Port Hope Evening Guide*.



**Photo by Ted Amsden**

Founders of the Garden Hill Library, left to right, Mary Gardiner, 90, Betty Elliott, 77, Ida Wilson, 95, and Edith Caruthers, 86. **Guests and Supporters back row:** L-R, Councillor Dave Watson, Barb Gray, Marilyn Gardiner, Unknown, Judy Howard. Unknown, Barb Irwin, Kathy Dennis, Cheryl McMurray, Sybil van de Wall, Reg McCool, Ona Gardiner, Judy Westerman, Geraldine Smith, Marjorie Kenton.

## Local History Quiz — by Tim Austin



- 1) What year was Port Hope incorporated as a town 1828, 1834, 1845?
- 2) William Leonard Hunt of Port Hope was better known by what name?
- 3) What famous hymn did Joseph Scriven of Port Hope write?
- 4) What former two names was Garden Hill known by?
- 5) Who were the first settlers of Port Britain?



Lori Stephenson—Brittain

Alex Byers

‘Tis an old maxim in the schools, that vanity is the food of fools; Yet now and then your men of wit, will condescend to take a bit.

Poetic quip by Jonathan Swift [1667-1745]

## Answers to Quiz

- 1) In 1834 Port Hope had 1,500 residents and was incorporated as a town, the first to be so recognized along the lakeshore between Kingston and Toronto.
- 2) The Great Farini. On October 1, 1859, he undertook his first professional high wire performance above the Ganaraska River.
- 3) "What a Friend We Have in Jesus". He originally wrote the words as a poem of comfort to his terribly ill mother. The original title was "Pray Without Ceasing."
- 4) Waterford and Adam's Corners.
- 5) The first settlers were (William) Samuel Marsh and his wife. Shortly after his arrival he built a saw mill, a grist mill, a distillery and a tavern. Soldiers from the war of 1812 would often stop over at the tavern while en route to Toronto.

## Events Calendar 2015

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Public meetings will be scheduled on basis of opportunity and when needed. Such meetings will be held at the Ganaraska Conservation Authority Meeting Room, 2216 Hwy 28 North, Port Hope, ON

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### Dorothy's House Museum

2015 Summer Hours beginning Sat. & Sun., June 27,28, 10 am to 3 pm.

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### Annual Monarch Butterfly Tag & Release

Saturday, August 29, 2015  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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