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# Society Newsletter

## Port Hope and District Historical Society mourns the passing of two of its long time members

As we begin the New Year 2015 it is with great sadness that we leave behind two of our long-time members, Larry Hall who passed away November 20 and **Joyce Bentham** quite unexpectedly December 6th. Appointed to the PHDHS Executive last spring, she never got the chance to live out her year as the positive outgoing leader she was. Joyce began her career as a teacher in the public school system in the area, and never stopped being a public servant, actively involved in several community agencies and organizations during her interesting and colourful life. Whenever and wherever there was a public happening, you would almost always run into Joyce enjoying the activities, or filling a role in the events. The large, overflowing attendance at her funeral service in St. Paul's Anglican Church, Perrytown, Dec.16th was a testimony to her outstanding presence and service. Though short in stature she stood tall in the public mind. Both tears and laughter were present as two of her children spoke graciously of their mom. She will be greatly missed by her family, friends and acquaintances.



**Joyce Bentham [1930–2014]**

**Larry Hall** was a Lifetime Member of the PHDHS, and over the years served on both the PHDHS Executive and Dorothy's House Museum Committee. Due to limited space in this newsletter we cannot do justice to the large footprint — or footprints — that Mr. Hall has left in this community. I would suggest that if our Society members want to read more of his life journey they could check the Obituaries in both local newspapers and the Media Press Release by the Municipality of Port Hope. Elected in 1994, Larry served as a Port Hope Councillor until November 30, 2003 and during his tenure acted as Council representative on a number of Boards and Committees, including the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority. He will be greatly missed at the Garden Hill Library "coffee chats" on Wednesday afternoons. Society member Nelson Gardiner recalled Larry's cheerful disposition even when he was discussing his health issues and said one of his favourite lines was: "I am amazed I have lived this long."



**Larry Hall [1932-2014]**  
Photo: Northumberland News

The one thing about life is that we must leave it.

# Interim President's report



**PHDHS [former EDHS] is pleased to have the support of the following business members**

**F**irst, I want to wish you all a Happy New Year 2015.

Rod and I had a safe trip to Florida in spite of running into a snow storm on Wed. Nov. 19, 2014 from Grafton to Gananoque, ON. At the New York border the snow let up but lots of snow along the side of the road through New York State. We stopped in York, Pa. for two days at a big postcard show before continuing on to Florida. We hit a violent thunderstorm with heavy rain all the way through Georgia. It washed our truck as it was covered in salt on the way down. When we arrived in Florida the temperature was 85 degrees for two weeks and now has turned colder, ranging from 40F to 80F. The TV says it's coming from Canada.

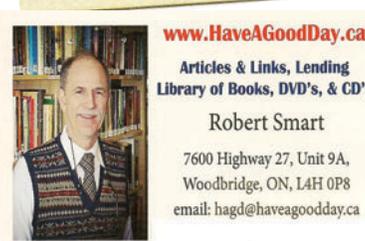
Rod and I were deeply saddened by the passing of lifetime member Larry Hall and member Joyce Bentham, who was just elected to PHDHS Executive in May 2014. Our deepest sympathy goes to the families of both individuals. We regret that we were not home to personally meet with their family members.

Our activities here keep us away with trips to Orlando, Sarasota, Tampa, and Arcadia to Postcard shows, antiques flea markets, our Peace River Butterfly Society, Cape Coral Stamp Club and a National Stamp Exhibition in Sarasota. In addition to trips, we feed our sandhill cranes every day, and of course I have most of them named. We see a few butterflies around here, including a couple of them monarchs.

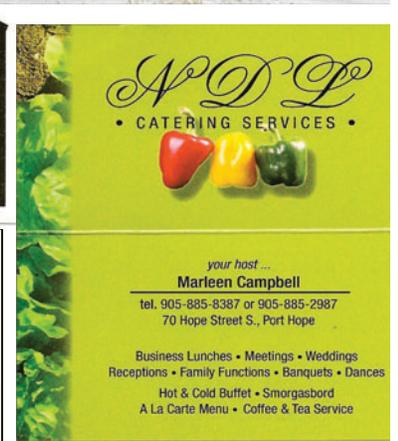
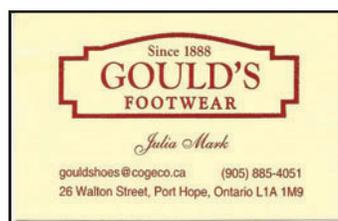
Thanks to Cal for sending the Newsletter to our good neighbor Pat Lilly for me to look over. Also special thanks to Pat for her help in printing and emailing.

Please remember the PHDHS Heritage Fair on Sun. May 3, 2015 at the Port Hope Lions Center. If you are interested in setting up a display, please contact Cal Morgan; his phone number and email are listed on back page. I will contact you when we arrive back home! Many thanks to all and see you soon.

Joan Ashby Parrott, Interim President and Secretary



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A politician is a man who gets sworn in and then cussed out.

# Old Iron Lover's Poker Run make DHM its destination Sept. 2014



Tractor event photos: Joan Parrott

Clockwise, L-R: Grandson to Morris Foreman, Howard Toyne, Paul White, Bill Lake, Ron Cowan, Malcolm Carruthers, Doug Wesse, Bob Barraball, Cy Rick, Morris Foreman.

The Old Iron Lover's Poker Run started out from the HAHC Antique Machinery Centre at 5077 County Rd #10, Canton, and made their way to the 5th Line, then the 6th and west on the 7th line past Perrytown to Mill Street, where they travelled north to Garden Hill. From there they made a short turn west on County Rd #10 with a planned stopover at Dorothy's House Museum to enjoy their own prepared lunch and a tour of the Museum and grounds. That same day, September 20th, was "Open House" at the Antique Machinery Centre where most of the riders are members of the Hope Agriculture Heritage Club.



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**Annual Christmas 2014 sing along at Garden Hill Library attracted a full house during Wednesday's coffee chat**



**PHDHS is pleased to Welcome four new Lifetime**

**Members:** Ross McElroy  
 John F Record  
 Lord Robbie Sprules  
 Lady Lucinda Sprules

**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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Sunday, May 3, 2015 - Heritage Fair -- 10 a.m to 4 p.m. at Lion's Centre, Thomas St., Port Hope

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Wednesday, May 20, 2015 Annual General Meeting [AGM] and Show & Tell at GRCA Meeting Room, HWY #28, Port Hope, Ont.

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Fri., Sat & Sun., June 19, 20 & 21/2015 Fundraiser & Huge Yard Sale at Dorothy's House Museum, Garden Hill, ON. All proceeds go to support the museum.

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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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 Single \$15.00  
 Couple \$25.00  
 Business \$40.00  
 Lifetime \$75.00

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If you have a story or story ideas, please contact Cal Morgan at [cmorgan@eagle.ca](mailto:cmorgan@eagle.ca)