



Trafalgar Township Historical Society

"Documenting, celebrating and preserving the agricultural heritage of North Oakville"

Winter Newsletter

We had a wonderful Christmas social with Ross Wark sharing postcards, history & photos with us. We will be having Ross back again this year to continue as we merely touched the surface of his fantastic collection. We are so lucky to have people in our community like Ross who have actively taken pictures of the community to preserve it in photos for future generations.

Please remember to renew your memberships for 2009 (\$25) made payable to Trafalgar Twp Historical Society. Send to Jane Watt, 3089 Jaguar Valley Drive, Apt. B2, Mississauga, Ont. L5A 2J1

Annual General Meeting- Tuesday, February 24 at 7pm at Palermo School House

Please join us for our guest speaker, Matthew Wilkinson from Heritage Mississauga. Mathew will be telling us all about Trafalgar's "Irish Swamp". Our meeting starts at 7pm sharp with Matthew up first so don't be late! We will review of accomplishments this past year and approve our financial statement and talk about what is planned for 2009. To vote you must have an up to date membership. If you are interested in joining the board of directors please call Michelle Knoll 905-257-9080

Funding

We are pleased to announce that we have received another grant this year from the Oakville Arts Council. We really appreciate their support in the beginning stages of our organization. The grant is for \$3,600 and will cover our costs while we are waiting for the Town to waterproof the basement so we can continue with restoration of the Palermo Schoolhouse.

Inquiries

We had an email from someone looking for information on Ash- especially a picture of the schoolhouse. As we looked through our archives we realized we don't have anything on Ash at all. Does anyone have any stories or photos to share?? Michelle 905-257-9080

Heritage Report

Palermo Schoolhouse

This week the Oakville Heritage Planner will recommend to Oakville Town Council that the Palermo Schoolhouse be recommended for Heritage designation! This has been a long time coming and we are very thankful to be one of the first buildings designated in Oakville in a very long time.

Cemeteries

The Town of Oakville hired a consultant to review all the headstones in the Town owned cemeteries. The consultant wrote a one page report on each stone and photographed each one. Based on this research the Town has established a 10 year plan and a budget to restore all of the headstones in Oakville. They have been prioritized and restoration will commence this spring. In addition, a new developer that owns land next to Munn's Cemetery has agreed to provide funds for the restoration of the cemetery. This is fantastic news and we would like to thank some of our members who have been real advocates for the preservation of our cemeteries for no doubt helping make this a priority at the Town.

Palermo Hotel at 3015 Dundas.

The Conservation Review Board did not support our recommendation that this building be designated. It will likely go to the Ontario Municipal Board next. At the moment both the legal dept at the Town & the Heritage Planner are preparing reports to council on whether the Town should support designation at the OMB.

Upcoming Heritage Events

February 28, 2009 Fresh Ontario maple syrup begins flowing at Bronte Creek Provincial Park when the park's annual Maple Syrup Festival gets under way. The maple syrup festivities are open to the public from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. every weekend in March and from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. daily through March Break (March 16-20th). Wagon rides, pancakes to purchase, interpreters, artifacts & gift shoppe. Daily Vehicle Permits are \$13.85/ vehicle. For more info. call 905-827-6911 or visit www.OntarioParks.com or www.BronteCreek.org.

Beardmore Tannery - On Sunday February 15th from 2 to 5 p.m., Halton Region Museum will celebrate Heritage Day with an Open House and special presentation on Acton's Beardmore Tannery. Well known local historian and author J.Mark Rowe will illustrate Acton's leathertown history and explore the company that generated its leather producing reputation.

Esquesing Historical Society Presents- Stewarttown School History on Weds March 11 at 7:30PM Although Stewarttown School just celebrated 50 years, the history of the institution extends far beyond the current building. EHS member Ray Denny will share his history of Stewarttown School. Knox Presbyterian Church, Main & Church St., Georgetown

Halton- Peel OGS Four Corners Branch Library, 65 Queen St., Brampton @ 2p.m. Call Ann Logan at 905-845-7755 Feb. 22 - Ruth Blair, professional genealogist & author March 22 - Elise Cole, prof. librarian

Milton Historical Society - Waldie Blacksmith Shop at 16 James Street at 8p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Feb. 19 "Pictures & Stories of Old Nassagaweya" with Audrey Allison
March 19 "Maritime History of the Great Lakes" with Walter Lewis

Oakville & Trafalgar War Memorials

We have worked with a committee this year to finalize names for an Oakville war Memorial. Included below are the names of soldiers that we are not sure about. In some instances we would like to have a first name rather than initials and in others we are not sure they were in Oakville/Trafalgar at the time of enlistment. Any help you can give with the following would be great- because at this point we may not have enough info to include them on a memorial and the deadline is fast approaching.

AKELAND or AKEDLAND??, T.

ASHLEY, T

BOUNE, H.

BOURNE, T.

BRAY "Apes" (we have John, Grant, & Charles is this a new one? need first name)

BROWN, Douglas- name from Bill Russell- have we confirmed service?

CHATHAM, J.C.

CHERRINGTON, Al- we have Donald -confirm serviced

CLIVE, C. B. - St Judes List Oakville?

CLIVE, C. D. - St Judes List Oakville?

CONKRITE, W.M or C.W.

CONNELY, R.

COOKE, William Leonard/Isaac- not sure which served- both?

COUCH, D. B. St Judes List Oakville?

DeGROOT, John-

DONALD, J.

DUBERRY, W.E.

FARGO, Albert in Oakville but here after the war or before?

FISHER, R.T.

FLAXMAN, N.F

FORD R. J & Ron- same person or 2 people?

GOODERHAM, G. A. from St Judes List

GOSWIN, A.

GRAVES, R. E. - St Judes list

GREEN, J.M.- we have it spelled as Green & Greene which is right?

GROUT, R. L. - St Judes list

HAWKE, W. K. & HAWKE, Melvin -same person or 2- W.K. on St Jude
HOLBROOK, H.E.
HOLLAND, Pvt
HOMEWOOD, S.G.
HYNDHAM, G. M. & H. H. Lt.-St Judes List- Mother on Dunn- here before war?
JOHNSTON, G.W. 1941 list with Lorne Scots- O or T??
JOHNSTON, H. D. ,WO W. D. , Air Force, St Judes Honour Roll
KIRBY,
LEDWELL, S.W.
LEE, R., Private 1st Div, C.A.S.F. 1940 & LEE, R. B.PO Navy, St Judes Honour Roll same person?
LLOYD,
LOUNSBOROUGH, T. P. Lt Col St Judes List- from Oakville or not?
LUTHAM, C.
MASON, William- He is on the Munn's church honour roll- but committee thinks may be Oakville?
McDOWELL, R.
McFARLANE, S., Private - Trafalgar or Oakville?
McGRATH, Michael
McKENDRICK, David or (Dane MacKendrick??) in Trafalgar.
McLEAN, Bob
MORCAM, A & Bert - are they the same person ie Albert or were there 2 Morcoms?
MUTCH, C.E.- was there a Mutch besides Alex?
NATTRESS, Bob- Should this be Robert? - from Bill Russell- have we confirmed he served
PARKIN, E & E.L - are they same person or 2 people
PATE, Bill & W. are they the same person or 2 people?
PENNYCOOK L.D.
PHILIPS, W. is this with S or not- it is shown 2 different ways ie Philip & Philips
POLLARD, Lloyd- - have we confirmed he served?
PRITCHARD, N.V.
REINNETT, Bert
RICHARDSON, D & D.A. same? have Ray & William and R.(could R be Richard & Dick in student list)
RICHARDSON, Ken- hve we confirmed service we have Ray as a No R. as O & William as Trafalgar
ROBINSON, Lawrence Donald Tpr -married 1945 Oakville & resided Oak. - lived here before war?
REDSHAW, Allen- fhave we confirmed he served
ROBERTS, J.O. - first name? from 1941 article Lorne Scots
SALMON, W.R.
SCOTT, cpl
SHAND, Peter
SHARPE, B.F.- have Charles, Jack, George, T & V. - Is this one of them or new one? (Bruce on Forsyth)
SHARPE, T. Pte from St Judes- only Sharpe we have been unable to identify
SHOEMAKER, W.H.
SKOOG, W.A.
SMITH, D. T. From St Judes- the only smith we do not have identified- we have David as D.A.
SMITH, V J – some say Victor but the Westwood class lists all say Vernon??
SNOWBALL, George Should be added? Based on Oakville Veterans WWI & II photo
STOREY, Joseph- confirmed service?
STOREY, Hugh – confirmed service?
TANNER, Charlotte M. confirm a soldier & not parent or sister writing thank you letter
TAYLOR, E.A Army St Judes- Oakville? need name
TAYLOR F.L.
TURNER, C.O
WHITE, E & S.E. is this the same person or 2 people?
WILLIS, John R. - we have a John P. - is this the same guy or another one to add?
WITHNELL R. & B.E.-is this the same person or 2 different ones?