

LIBRARY UNVEILS ONLINE EXHIBIT HONOURING LOCAL VETERAN

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Halton Hills Public Library is celebrating the legacy of Henry Thomas Shepherd in a new online exhibit.

Shepherd's life and accomplishments are detailed through pictures, text, transcripts and audio, from his war service and awards to careers at Fleck's Paper Mill and Georgetown Fire Department, where he served as chief.

"It's been a journey of love and years of gathering pictures from each branch of our family. I've had lots of help and encouragement along the way," said Kathy Brooks, Shepherd's granddaughter.

"Grandpa's story is being shared widely, and is part of a growing movement to recognize and remember the contributions of Black Canadians. These stories

"It's been a journey of love."

- Kathy Brooks, Shepherd's granddaughter

need to be told and the research has insured that, not only at a family level, but in many communities and schools."

Shepherd was born in Stewarttown in 1895. According to a library press release, he was revered by his peers as a man of incredible integrity, despite the obstacles he faced as a Black man in a racially tumultuous time.

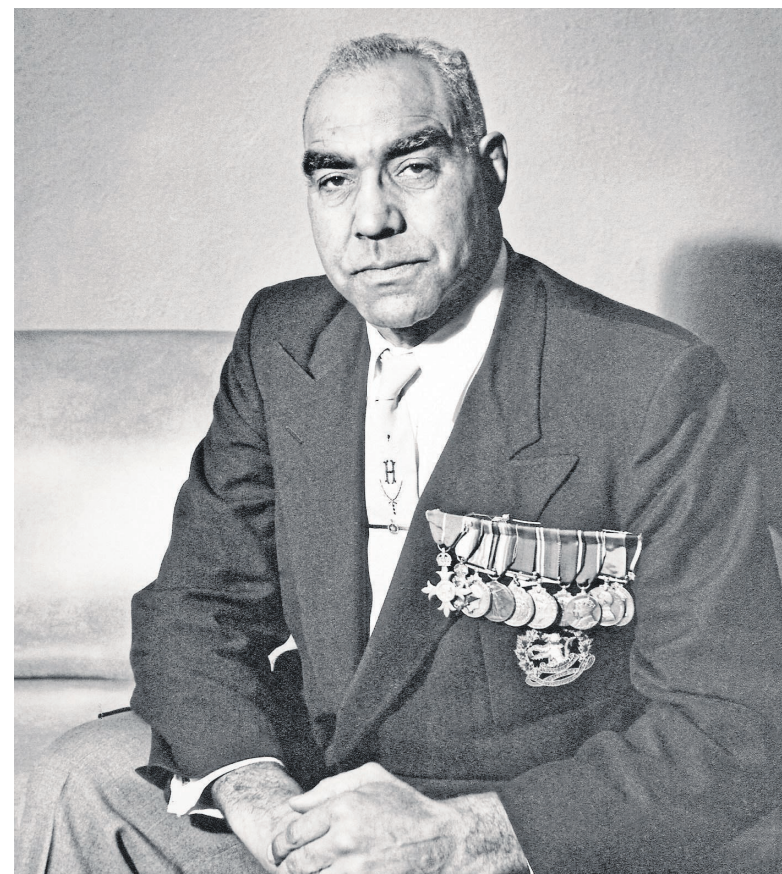
"It's the library's honour to curate this exhibit on behalf of the Shepherd family and give the community a glimpse into the life and times of Mr. Henry Thomas Shepherd," said Chief Librarian Melanie Southern.

"He lived an extraordinary life, accomplished a great deal, served

his country in the World Wars, volunteered and supported his community, raised a wonderful family and served as chief of the Georgetown Fire Department. Not many people have achieved this level of success in their lifetime that Henry Thomas Shepherd did."

In addition to the exhibit, the local man is also honoured as the namesake of Henry Thomas Shepherd MBE Park, located at 52 Dayfoot Dr. in Georgetown. This site was chosen as Shepherd and his family settled and worked in this surrounding area.

To view the exhibit visit <http://news.haltonhills.halton.on.ca/558/Exhibit/1>



Georgetown native Henry Thomas Shepherd.

Shepherd family photo





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