



*Parliament Buildings Lit Up For The Christmas Season (Photo: Ottawa Tourism)*



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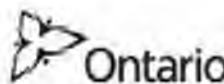
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## *ANNUAL PROGRAM CALENDAR FOR 2018*

Mark your calendar with these important dates! Everyone is encouraged to come out to enjoy the many events arranged for the GTHS in 2018. Please contact Fran McCarthy at **613-831-1036** or email her at: **francath39@sympatico.ca** if you can provide baking or assist with pre-event set-up. Fran will be delighted to hear from you because as you know many hands, make light work.

**January 20, 2018 – Annual General Meeting – St. Paul’s United Church, Richmond – 12:00**  
**February 17, 2018 – Heritage Day–Great Ice Storm–20 Years After, Stittsville Library – 1:30**  
**March 17, 2018 – Marilyn Cottrell – Researching Your Genealogy – Stittsville Legion – 1:30**  
**April 28, 2018 – Richard Henderson – Philemon Wright Presentation – Stittsville Library – 1:30**  
**May 2018 – TBD at Goulbourn Museum**  
**October 2018 – TBD**  
**November 2018 – TBD**  
**December 2018 – Membership Christmas Party**

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## *EDITOR'S REMARKS*

We've had our first snowfall, the temperatures are finally acclimatizing, our lives gained an hour when the clocks turned back and the Christmas season is around the corner. With all of these transformations taking place, there have also been some that affect GTHS. As well, our fall Outreach activities have kept GTHS members quite busy.

But first and foremost, we would like to welcome the return of Barry McGinnis to our Board. Barry was a previous Board member, but due to work commitments, time was not on his side. He has been appointed to fill in the one year vacancy left by Lynne Blenk who has stepped down as our President and away from the Board.

We would like to thank Lynne for the years she committed to GTHS. Lynne's leadership and participation will be missed. Thank you Lynn and all the best! Bob Halberstadt is now the Acting President.

As we heard at the November program, Georgia Derrick will be stepping down as the Coordinator for Programs. The GTHS Board and all members thank you Georgia for the fantastic work you have done putting together the interesting and informative programs for our membership over the years.

Sadly, Mr. Paul Boltwood passed away on September 25. Paul was a long-time member of the Society and the husband of Lee, one of GTHS' beloved. Paul also left behind his two daughters Alana and Bronwyn. Paul was an interesting man with many accomplishments in his life. He loved his garden and fish ponds, his home-built observatory for astronomy enjoyment and in later years, ham radios. His tools were precious and he kept them in immaculate condition. Paul developed the Boltwood Cloud Sensor and Software for use in observatories. The Boltwood sensor measures cloud cover, rain, snow, wind, humidity and detects daylight. It is connected to a computer in an observatory and uses Paul's software. This sensor system is integral to any observatory operation to alert users of the outside conditions. It will trigger a roof or dome to automatically close on an observatory if weather conditions are inclement, or viewing of the sky is not good, while also keeping the telescope safe from damage. What a brilliant resource to have engineered and left as a legacy to observatories everywhere. Over the last few months some of us were fortunate enough to spend time with Paul in his and Lee's garden sharing stories and laughs while admiring his fish. He will be missed. The GTHS Board and Members extend our deepest condolences to Lee and family members on their loss.

September 30th found us in Munster where GTHS participated in their annual Munsterfest event. Bob Halbertstadt, our A/President, Lee Boltwood and Lesley McKay manned the GTHS display again this year. Lots of people came by to examine our antique items and we received some interesting guesses and comments about them. But I think the draw for the kids was the candy we were giving out.

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Lee Boltwood showing Mayor Jim Watson how butter was made in earlier times. (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)



Lee and Bob Halberstadt deciding whether the Whooping Cough Elixir's date is expired. (Photo: Lesley McKay)



Lee and Lesley bringing our GTHS display to life. (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)



Kids and candy at our display. Photo: Bob Halberstadt)

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Our annual History Award given to the South Carleton High School student who excels in the subject was presented to Ms. Alexa Trenholme by Bob Halberstadt, A/President of GTHS. We are pleased to be able to recognize the accomplishments of history students and would hope that this Award will assist them in pursuing their goals in the field of history.



**Ms. Alexa Trenholme accepting her History Award from Bob Halberstadt, A/President of GTHS (Photo: South Carleton High School)**

Our 'Road to Richmond' program on November 18 was very well attended. It was nice to see so many familiar and new faces in the audience. Our speaker was Larry Cotton, who enlightened us with his story of distilleries and the making of rye whisky in Richmond and how it was all transported back and forth on the Old Richmond Road, which was a corduroy road at one time and the only major thoroughfare to the town and for delivery to the shanties further up the Ottawa Valley. Taverns were prominent in Richmond because of the town being a military settlement and the timber trade. Mr. Cotton is the author of a series of 13 books under the "Whisky and Wickedness" banner and GTHS was pleased to have him as a guest speaker.



**The Road to Richmond audience on November 18, 2017. Richmond Legion. (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)**



**Larry Cotton speaking at his Road to Richmond presentation. (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)**

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In November our program was about Nicholas Sparks with Brian Hull, a descendant, who impersonated Mr. Sparks when telling the historical story of one of Ottawa's most influential persons.



**Nicholas Sparks**



**c1870 Ottawa map showing the Sparks land**



**The Sparks home – built c1830**

One facet of Nicholas' life that Brian told us was that upon Nicholas' arrival in Canada from Wexford, he was employed as a farm servant for Philemon Wright in the Township of Hull. Mr. Sparks saved his money and was able to purchase Lot C, Concession C, which consisted of 200 acres at the Rideau Front in the Township of Nepean on the south side of the Ottawa River for ninety-five pounds sterling. The land was home to the Court House, the Jail, City Hall, Post Office, the Ladies College, the Opera House, the Loyal Orange Hall, the Protestant Orphan's Home, Christ Church, St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Bank Street Church, The Dominion Wesleyan Methodist Church, the Baptist Church, the Congregational Church, the Catholic Apostolic Church, Russell House, several first class hotels and every Bank in the City. The land was estimated to be worth four million dollars. Some of these buildings still stand and still function as they were meant. There were two other descendants of the family in the audience – a fifth generation descendant, Bonnie Legare and Anne Sterling who is related through her family connection to Sarah Wright, Nicholas Sparks' wife. A most fascinating bit of Ottawa's history was enjoyed by all in attendance.



**Brian Hull shares his story on Nicholas Sparks – November 18, 2017 (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)**



**Brian Hull presenting his animated oration on Nicholas Sparks (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)**

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On November 25, GTHS was proud to honour our local Sesquicentennial farm families at a Reception. In collaboration with Junior Farmers of Ontario, a presentation of Canada 150 farm signs were presented to each family in recognition of their long-serving commitment to their land and the farming industry. The event was well attended to mark this historical significance of agriculture and families in the former Goulbourn Township.



**The Century Farm and Canada 150 signs that were given to each farm family on November 25th, 2017. (Photo: Bob Halberstadt)**



**Ian White who suggested the idea that became the Canada 150 GTHS project. (Photo: Bob Halbertstadt)**

**Errata** – In the last edition of the newsletter, I mistakenly had Violet Holmes-Rowe name incorrect – it should be Violet Holmes-Lowe. That's what I get for having a very good friend with the last name of Rowe. Sorry Violet.



Don't forget our Members' Christmas Party taking place on December 9th. You can find out more about the party further on in this newsletter.

On Saturday, January 20, 2018, GTHS will hold its Annual General Meeting. See the Meeting Notice later on in the newsletter.

As Canada's 150th comes to an end, so does GTHS' year of events. 2017 has been filled with plenty of monumental moments across Canada and here in our home corner of the former Goulbourn Township. GTHS has been delighted to participate in the many local happenings by supporting other community organizations in their celebrations and will continue to do so. Our programs and participation transpire because of our Members' support and the Board looks forward to another exciting year for GTHS – especially with the 200th Anniversary celebration of Richmond. Please watch for these upcoming events in our Newsletters as we help Richmond commemorate their historical milestone.

To all members of GTHS, you are wished All the Best for a warm, love-filled Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Lesley McKay - Editor*





# Christmas Party

**DATE:** Saturday, December 9, 2017

**TIME:** 1:00 – 3:00 P.M.

**LOCATION:** Stittsville United Church, 6255 Fernbank Road (corner of Main Street, Stittsville)

It would be greatly appreciated if you could bring a contribution of dessert or prepared finger foods – as there is no oven – for all to share.

Everyone should look forward to having fun, playing games and enjoying the Spirit of the Season. The Board hopes to see you on December 9th to share some Christmas cheer and toast another successful year for the Society.

Please RSVP to [gths-editor@rogers.com](mailto:gths-editor@rogers.com). Thank you.



**MEETING  
NOTICE!**

*GTHS 2017 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING &  
LUNCHEON*

This year, the GTHS AGM will be held on Saturday, January 20, 2018 in Richmond at St. Paul's United Church located at 3452 McBean Street. It will start at 12:00pm with a full turkey dinner and home-made pies for the luncheon. As with everything, prices go up and this year the dinner is \$18.00 per person.

Following the meal, the Board of Directors and Committee Heads will report on the progress made throughout the year on our various initiatives. There will be an election of Directors.





## *GTHS SESQUICENTENNIAL PROJECT - CENTURY FARMS – RECOGNITION RECEPTION*

*(Submitted by Lesley McKay)*

It began with an idea presented by Ian White to our Archives Coordinator, Joan Darby, who brought it forward to our Annual General Meeting last January. From there it evolved into a Canada 150 project for the Goulbourn Township Historical Society (GTHS). It was a project that would recognize our long-term farm families whose roots in the former Goulbourn Township went back 150 years or more.

After months of research, paperwork and organizing by Joan Darby and Lesley McKay, on November 25th, 2017, GTHS was pleased to be able to honour these families at a Reception held in the Grace Thompson Room of the Stittsville Library. The turnout from the community was significant and the generational presence of the families to be recognized brought about an air of excitement.

At the Reception, members of GTHS, in collaboration with the Junior Farmers of Ontario (JFO), presented Canada 150 farm signs, along with new Century Farm signs, to each farm family. It really is amazing what one idea can spark! By becoming a project to mark the significance of the farm families and importance of agriculture's roots in Goulbourn's history, this idea became something that will be remembered for a long time coming.



***The Anderson Family receiving their Canada 150 and new Century Farm signs.***



***The Dawson Family receiving their Canada 150 and new Century Farm signs.***

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**The Hobbs Family receiving their Canada 150 and new Century Farm signs.**



**The Kenny Family receiving their Canada 150 and new Century Farm signs.**



**The Goulbourn Township Historical Society and Junior Farmers of Ontario team.**



**Attendees at the Sesquicentennial Farm Families Reception.**



**More attendees at the Sesquicentennial Farm Families Reception. (All Photos: Bob Halberstadt)**



**The Hobbs Family with Councillor Scott Moffatt after accepting their new farm signs. (Photo: Phil Sweetnam)**



*JOSEPH FORTUNE, SURVEYOR OF RICHMOND TOWN AND PARK  
LOTS, CARLETON COUNTY, DISTRICT OF BATHURST  
(Submitted by George R. Neville, Past President, The Historical Society of Ottawa)*



***Digital copy of the 1818 Fortune Map, Archives Ontario Plan 288 H20  
showing the following inscription at the bottom centre:***

***Plan of the VILLAGE of RICHMOND situated in the Township of Goulbourn district of John-  
stown province of Upper Canada. Surveyed under Instructions of Thomas Ridout Esquire,  
Surveyor General of said province in the year of our Lord 1818. Scale of 4 chains to an Inch.  
[Signed] J. Fortune, Dy Pc Surveyor, [Deputy Provincial Surveyor]***

***Richmond, the 2nd Rideau Military Settlement***

Joseph Fortune's Plan of survey for the layout of a new Rideau Military Settlement near the rapids of the Good Wood River was finalized and executed as a town map in 1818 (1) swiftly following on Conger's survey delineation of Goulbourn Twp. (2). An advance party of 20-30 military men headed by George T. Burke (3) departed in late July 1818 from the 'Flats' of the Ottawa River below the Chaudière Falls into the bush in a south-westerly direction to locate a suitable site for a new settlement along the banks of the river that came to be known as 'The Jock'. Presumably, Joseph Fortune was a participant of this advance party, for it was the Deputy Quarter-Master General of British Forces in Canada at the time, Lt.-Col. Francis Cockburn's intention that the survey be conducted during the 'dry season' (4) [pre-winter] under conditions more favourable for surveying dense bushland. Much of the surveying must have been done and completed before the end of December 1818. Since the general location along the Good Wood River for the new settlement had been specified, the area must have been explored at an earlier time by one or more military scouts, possibly even by Joseph Fortune. Unfortunately, no Richmond survey notes or related information were found among the fragile, torn, and fire-singed, sparse papers of the Library Archives Canada (LAC) Joseph Fortune Collection (5).

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### **Origin of the Fortune Family Surveyors**

Not much has been found and written about the Father-Son Fortune surveyors. Joseph's father, "Colonel" William Fortune "reached Canada from South Carolina soon after the close of the American Revolution, and on his arrival, applied to Lord Dorchester, the Governor-General, for a Commission to practice in Canada. He stated in his application that he had been an inhabitant of South Carolina for several years antecedent to the late war, and had acquired considerable property there, being a Planter and Land Surveyor in that Province. He had been granted a Commission to practice as a Land Surveyor there by Sir Egerton Leigh, Surveyor General of His Majesty's Province of South Carolina, this Commission being dated 5th day of May, 1773. Mr. Fortune further stated in his application, that on the outbreak of hostilities he had been declared to be a 'Public Enemy' on account of his allegiance to the British cause, and had to abscond from his property and family, and for three years lived chiefly in woods and morasses. Upon arrival of British troops, he was employed by them under Earl Cornwallis, had fought bravely in the action of 25th April 1781, had been appointed Colonel of Militia on 8th September 1781, and at the close of the war had made his way to Canada" (6).

Wm. Fortune's application was favourably received by Lord Dorchester, and a Commission to practise surveying in [the Province of] Quebec was issued 4th July, 1788 (6).

Walker states that "we have no definite information as to the age and place of birth of Col. [Wm.] Fortune, but it is probable that at this time he was a man of over 50 years of age, and born in Ireland" (6). More recently Edward Wilson of Almonte, ON, a descendant of Fortune, has found that William (Col.) Fortune was born 30th December 1748 in Ireland and died c1822 in Rigaud, Quebec. "He received from Lord Dorchester in addition to his Commission, a grant of land, for his services in the Army, of 1,000 acres, and this was located for him by Deputy Surveyor General Collins, at the North-East Corner of the Township of East Hawkesbury, close to where the present Village of Point Fortune is built. Col. Fortune settled here with his wife and six children about 1790, and claims he was the first settler on the Ottawa River. The size of his lot is given as 152 perches along the [south side] Ottawa River (then known as the Grand), and 1,060 perches deep. The country at this time was absolutely in a state of nature, and the Colonel and his family passed through the usual severe trials of an early settler's life. Soon after his arrival he suffered a serious loss, in the death of his eldest son (who had studied surveying in South Carolina), and also his eldest daughter" (7). According to Wilson (8), William Fortune Jr., b. c 1769 in Camden District, South Carolina, U.S.A., died in March 1794 at Montreal, Quebec; for Fortune senior's eldest daughter, Jane Elizabeth (Jane) Fortune, b. c1777, no death date is known at this time.

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### **Joseph Fortune**

Of Joseph's early life, Walker says little is known, but he was probably born in South Carolina and escaped to Canada with his father and mother when a boy at the time of the American Revolution. Wilson has found the young lad's full name to be Cornwallis Joseph (Joseph) Fortune, born c1770 in Camden District, South Carolina, U.S.A. (8). His father was granted Lots 1 & 2 of East Hawkesbury fronting on the Ottawa River that just earlier had been surveyed along a stretch of the north and south Fronts of the Grand River by Patrick McNiff in 1788 (9). Here in this area that came to be known as Point Fortune, "Joseph grew up to manhood, and learned Surveying from his father, who had qualified as a Deputy Surveyor on his arrival in Canada. Joseph was granted a Commission to practice as a Surveyor of Lands by Lord Dorchester on 4th May, 1796. This Commission evidently covered both Upper and Lower Canada, although Upper Canada had been separated from Lower Canada in 1792. Joseph assisted his father in surveys of the outlines of the Townships of Wolford, Kitley, Bastard, Burgess, Elmsley and Montague in 1794, and in surveys of the Townships of East and West Hawkesbury and parts of Alfred and Plantagenet in 1797-8" (10).

From the meagre Joseph Fortune papers (5), there is a one-sheet account of William Fortune, Deputy Surveyor, for work in Upper Canada from 18th Dec. 1793 to 8th Feb. 1794 and from 15th April 1794 to 10th October following, 52 days, etc. [info on reverse side of very messy 8½" x 11" sheet] with the front side listing Chain persons: Joel Achley, Joseph Fortune, William Grant, George Brown, Hamilton Rankin; Ax-Men Ennias, Peter, Harrena, Joseph & Peter. In the same file box, there is a small booklet (3" x 5") of many pages entitled, *Diary of the Survey of the Twp. Hawkesbury March 18th 1798*.

"On 29th August, 1800, Joseph Fortune was appointed a Magistrate for the district and afterwards built a mill on the River Petite Nation, on a 400 acre plot of land granted to his father for his military services. In 1803 he made a survey of part of the Township of Cornwall, and in 1808 made surveys of of the Seigniorship of L'Original and Township of Caledonia" (10).

"On 10th April, 1792, the Province of Upper Canada had been formed from part of the old Province of Quebec, and all the above work was done under authority of the Surveyor-General of Upper Canada at York, now Toronto. During the war with United States in 1812, we find Joseph Fortune's name given on the Militia list as Lieut.-Colonel of the Prescott County Militia, and no doubt he took an active part in repelling the invaders at that time, although the County of Prescott was not actually detached from Glengarry until 1816" (10).

"We have no record of any Government surveying done by [Lt.-Col. Joseph Fortune] during these unsettled years, but in 1816 he surveyed the Gore of Hawkesbury, which lies between the Township of Hawkesbury and the Province line of Ontario and Quebec, which had by this time been run out and established" (11).

"After the Counties of Prescott and Russell were established in 1816, Joseph was appointed a Notary Public, and Returning officer of that riding. In 1820 he opened a 'Land Office', but in 1821 got into difficulties apparently owing to his extreme loyalty" [see the remainder of Walker's compilation (11) for details and Joseph Fortune's refuge at St. Andrews [East], Quebec, on the north shore of the Ottawa River].

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*JOSEPH FORTUNE, SURVEYOR OF RICHMOND TOWN AND PARK LOTS, CARLETON COUNTY,  
DISTRICT OF BATHURST (Cont'd)*

It is surprising during this last interval between 1816 and 1820, that O.L.S. Walker appears to have no knowledge of Joseph Fortune's awareness of the first Rideau Military Settlement established at Perth, Upper Canada (1815-16), and his active involvement and laying out of the second Rideau Military Settlement of Richmond near the Good Wood River before the end of December 1818. The only archival evidence for the latter is the Joseph Fortune survey Plan of the Village of Richmond, 1818 (1).



*Richmond, 1830. Artist unknown. National Archives of Canada*

***Fortune's Role as a Land Broker in Later Years***

With Joseph Fortune being appointed a Notary Public after 1816 and opening a Land Office in 1820, it is now understandable why he would be prevailed upon by Grantees of Crown Lands to liaise and facilitate their sale and transfer. Sir John Johnson had been accorded Lot No. 8 of East Hawkesbury Twp. (9) in 1788 as a later Grant in addition to his many earlier land Grants along the St. Lawrence River for his Loyalty and pivotal role in support of the monarchy of King George III during and after the American Revolution. In the Joseph Fortune Collection (5), there is a small hand-written note addressed to Col. Fortune, Point Fortune, from Sir John Johnson, Bart, 21st May 1821, requesting disposal of some of his Lots in Hawkesbury, Marlborough, or his Lot in Nepean purchased from a U.E. Loyalist. From the same sparse collection (5) there is this jewel of insight in a 2½-page letter addressed to Col. Fortune, Manor House, S[t]. Andrews [Quebec] from Col. G.T. Burke (Richmond) 15th Oct 1824 (Parliament to meet soon) asking Fortune to convert his grain & hay into cash as soon as possible – his Brewery & distilleries are in operation, but cash will be wanted.

As a Surveyor, Notary, and Land Broker, Joseph Fortune would come to know many, many people and be sought out to liaise between parties. A serendipitous rich example of this was also found in the Fortune Collection as a separate file (John Forrest file) (12) in a 2-page finely written letter from John Breckenridge to Mr. John Forrest transmitting a copy of letter of William Davie's father, just as he received it from Dalbeth, Nov. 25th 1821 with [N.B.] PS[bottom of 2nd page] dated Brockville 4th December 1821 – visiting daughters Tess (in Ogdensburg opposite Prescott) and Betsay – please direct on to the care of E.C. Malloch, Perth, Upper Canada.

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*JOSEPH FORTUNE, SURVEYOR OF RICHMOND TOWN AND PARK LOTS, CARLETON COUNTY,  
DISTRICT OF BATHURST (Cont'd)*

Walker was unable to ascertain what became of Joseph Fortune after his unfortunate episode caught between powerful political foes. He concludes by writing that [Joseph Fortune] “seems to have disappeared from sight and a careful search has failed to reveal his movements. He may have practiced in Lower Canada, but the only Government record [found] there is of a survey he made of the Village of St. Eustache in 1828. Wilson has recorded Joseph Fortune’s death occurring in May 1836 at Rigaud, Quebec.



**Fortune Street, Richmond Ontario (Google maps)**

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## *VISITING THE GTHS ARCHIVES*

*(Submitted by Joan Darby)*

This is our annual Thank You to everyone who has contributed to the GTHS Archives through donations, research or by helping researchers to find what they are looking for in our collection.

Thank you to these folks who have donated books, publication and documents to our Archives:

- Edna Marlowe and the Friends of the Ottawa Public Library in Stittsville (FOPLA) for genealogy book donations and for the ongoing donation of the magazine Family Tree
- Marion Gullock, for the Belden atlas of Carleton County, and 2 censuses of the area
- Richmond Legion, for 3 volumes of Military Service Recognition Book for Ontario
- Alexa Pritchard, for donating a copy of her book Family, Friends & Neighbours of Sgt William Shea
- John Maguire, for a second installment of books and genealogical work relating to his Maguire family
- The family of the late Robert "Bud" Simpson for the donation of several Goulbourn books.

These researchers have contributed work to our collection, and graciously allowed us to make their research available to others:

- Lesley McKay, for the extensive research she did in preparation for our Heritage Day display
- Freda Dolan for allowing the GTHS to make a digital copy of the Richmond Women's Institute Tweedsmuir history
- George Neville, for permission to add to our collection his research on Richmond and Richmond Fair
- Val Wright, for her work on the Stittsville casualties of WWI
- David Fyffe, for his work on the Mackey family
- Stuart Cameron, for his work on his Cameron family.

Thank you!

And as always, a huge thank you to Marilyn Cottrell, Marion Scott, and Jim Stanzel for their patient and ongoing advice, research and help, to John Bottriell for his excellent work on the GTHS photo archives and digital files, and to Georgia Derrick and Marge Gillick for their help in creating order out of chaos, and excellent work in answering our researchers' questions.



*PROGRAMS*

**January 20, 2018 – Annual General Meeting – 12:00pm – St. Paul's United Church, 3452 Mc-Bean Street, Richmond**

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## *PROGRAMS - Cont'd.*

**February 17, 2018 Heritage Day 1:30 – 3:30pm – Stittsville Library – The Great Ice Storm – 20 Years After** – Come out and reminisce with everyone at the Stittsville Branch of the Ottawa Library, who endured the Great Ice Storm of 1998. There were highs and lows during this storm that left an unforgettable imprint on many lives. We want to share these with you.

**We do have an important request** – if you have any photos or other memorabilia to share, we would appreciate receiving them prior to the event. Please contact me at: [gths-editor@rogers.com](mailto:gths-editor@rogers.com). We may also use them at Heritage Day at Ottawa City Hall. We will arrange to have the items picked up and they will be returned after the event. Only with your input will this event be a success.

And, don't forget to come and visit us at the City of Ottawa's Heritage Day celebration on February 20, 2018 at Ottawa City Hall.

### **March 24, 2018 – Marilyn Cottrell – Researching Your Genealogy – Stittsville Legion – 1:30pm**

The first program of 2018 is planned for March 24. Marilyn Cottrell, a descendant of one of Goulbourn's original settlers (William Lackey) as well as many other Goulbourn settlers, will be discussing Researching Your Genealogy. The concentration will be on sources for researching Goulbourn Genealogy, but as all researchers know, sources are often difficult, to find as is information, leading to "brick walls". Often new ideas for finding missing information come from unexpected sources - all that to say this topic will be of interest to anyone researching family history. Audience participation (and input) is welcome.

Please join us at the Stittsville Legion at 1:30. As usual, everything is free and as usual, "tell a neighbour, bring a friend". GTHS trusts these topics will be of interest to many of you, your friends and family, as all are welcome to attend these free programs. We look forward to seeing you in 2018!



## *SEEKING ANSWERS*

1. One of our GTHS members, Edna Marlow, would like to know if anyone in the GTHS has actually published a book from his/her FamilyTree Maker program? Edna can be reached at her email address: [liverpud-49@rogers.com](mailto:liverpud-49@rogers.com) if you have an answer for her.
2. **DO YOU REMEMBER WW II GERMAN POW'S WORKING ON GOULBOURN FARMS?** During 1943-45, several farms around the Richmond, ON area had an older German Prisoner of War (POW) living with a dairy farming family aiding in performing daily chores on the farm. When the War was over, these POW's were given official notice that they had to return to Germany, and this caused much grief particularly among those who had to return to their homelands that were now located in Eastern (Communist) Germany, e.g., Bonn, etc., by virtue of Russian occupation of East Berlin. This neglected domain of local history could be quite interesting to recapture and try to piece together. My wife's family, Peter & Gladys McLinton of Twin Elm area, had one such POW, Josef Vogt (~40 yrs of age) from Bonn, Germany, but others were known to be in the area. Query initiator: George Neville, Ottawa. Mr. Neville can be reached through his email at: [george.neville@ncf.ca](mailto:george.neville@ncf.ca) should you have any information you can share.





## NEWS AND VIEWS

**The Stittsville Legion Branch – Wednesday, December 7, 2017 – 11:00am** – A presentation by Manon Bourbeau on the National Military Cemetery at Beechwood. Manon Bourbeau was born and raised in Ottawa and is fluently bilingual. While still in high school, she chose the funeral industry as her career, and in 2000 obtained her funeral director's licence. After working in funeral homes in both Northern Ontario and Ottawa, she joined Beechwood in 2005. She is now the National Military Cemetery Liaison and Ottawa Police Service Memorial Cemetery Liaison. Beechwood was created by Canadians, for Canadians, and remains a welcoming place for our families, visitors and neighbours. As a result of its beauty, historical significance and commitment to being open and accessible to all cultures and faiths, it was designated as a National Historic Site and, more recently, was named the National Cemetery of Canada through an Act of Parliament. A light lunch will be served after the presentation.

**The Historical Society of Ottawa – January 26, 2018, Mr. Dave Allston presents 'Death, Illness & Squalor: Cave Creek & Primitive West Ottawa'**. Mr. Allston will examine the problems west end residents faced through the 19th century and well into the 20th century in dealing with Cave Creek, which ran throughout the entirety of Kitchissippi. This small, yet troublesome creek was attributed as the chief cause of the typhoid fever epidemic of 1911, and also stunted the growth of west end neighbourhoods until proper sewage systems could be installed. The presentation will feature maps, photos and many anecdotes from media reports of the time.

**Ottawa Genealogy Society – Saturday, January 27, 2018 – 1:00 – 3:00pm** – City of Ottawa Archives, 100 Tallwood Drive, Rm. 115 – **Geology and Maps for Genealogy with Shirley Sturdevant.**

**Treasures from the Diefenbunker – Carp – January to December 2017** – In addition to its year round calendar of exhibitions, the Diefenbunker is launching a new series of monthly features in celebration of Canada's 150 anniversary. These features will highlight archival documents and artifacts from the Diefenbunker collection that shed light on life in Canada, and underground at CFC Carp during the Cold War. Discover something new with every visit!

**Wanted Family Histories** If you have any information either anecdotal or a Family Tree, or memories you would like to share, please send them to Joan at: [research@goulbournhistorical-society.org](mailto:research@goulbournhistorical-society.org). We would be very happy to receive additional material for our files.

**GTHS Fundraising – "Team 3966"** – provide this number to your server at Hurleys Restaurant in Stittsville. Hurleys Restaurant donates 10% of each meal to GTHS. So next time you find yourself at Hurleys, mention Team 3966, and continue to fundraise for GTHS. Keep eating, keep fundraising!



## PEARLS OF WISDOM...



### THE PASSING YEAR

The feast is over, the guests are fled;  
 It is time to be old, it is time for bed.  
 The wind has blown out every light,  
 And the pleasure garden is turned to blight.  
 The trees like puffed-out candles stand,  
 And the smoke of their darkness is over the land.

Heavily hangs the drowsy head,  
 Heavily droop the lashes;  
 To bed! to bed! Let prayers be said  
 And cover the fire with ashes.

How the pipers piped, and the dancers flew,  
 Their hearts were piping and dancing, too.  
 Wine of the sun and spell of the stream,  
 Birds in an ecstasy, flowers that teem,  
 All gone by; now the quiet sky  
 Looks down on the earth where the snow must  
 lie.

Heavily hangs the drowsy head,  
 Heavily droop the lashes;  
 To bed! to bed! Let prayers be said  
 And cover the fire with ashes.

**Ethelwyn Wetherald – Tangled in Stars 1902**

**And remember ... Love is what's in the room  
 with you at Christmas if you stop opening  
 presents and listen. – Unknown**



## GOOD ENOUGH TO EAT



**Cranberry Snowball Pudding**  
 (From the Winnipeg Free Press - 1914)

This is a nice change from heavier puddings.

### Ingredients:

2 cups of flour  
 Pinch of salt  
 3 tsps of baking powder  
 Sweet milk  
 1 cup sugar  
 1½ cups chopped cranberries (dredged in flour)  
 2 eggs

### Directions:

Sift together flour, a pinch of salt and baking powder. Add sufficient sweet milk to make a soft batter. Add sugar, chopped cranberries dredged with flour and well beaten eggs. Pour the mixture into buttered pudding cups, and steam for two hours. Garnish with sprigs of holly and serve with hard sauce.



### Recipe for Hard Sauce:

½ cup softened butter  
 1½ cup sifted confectioner's sugar  
 1 tsp vanilla extract OR 2 tbsp rum or brandy  
 Cream butter with sugar until fluffy then add the vanilla (or booze). Serve with warm Cranberry Snowball Pudding or any other warm dessert.

# MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION

## GOULBOURN TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Family Member (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Second e-Mail address (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Is this application for a **SINGLE MEMBERSHIP** (\$15/yr)? \_\_\_\_\_

**Family Membership** (\$20/yr)? \_\_\_\_\_ (two family members at the same address)

Is this a **membership renewal**? \_\_\_\_\_ or a **new membership request**? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to make a donation to the GTHS? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you be interested in volunteering with the GTHS? \_\_\_\_\_

### NEWSLETTER:

The GTHS Newsletter is published quarterly and sent to all members. Please help us keep our costs down by having your copy sent to you by e-mail.

Please send my copy by **e-mail**: \_\_\_\_\_ by **post**: \_\_\_\_\_

### METHODS OF PAYMENT:

Cash or cheque made payable to the "Goulbourn Township Historical Society".

Payments may be made at any meeting or program, including the Annual General Meeting.

Payments can also be mailed to:

Goulbourn Township Historical Society,

PO Box 621, 2060 Huntley Road, Stittsville, ON, Canada K2S 1A7

Receipts for Income Tax purposes will be sent shortly after your application is received.

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### For GTHS Membership Office Only

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership dues are for the period: February 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018

Amended: January 2017