

The Heritage Gazette is a publication of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society and is circulated to its members and volunteers as well as other interested members of our community. We provide this complimentary newsletter with pride to promote the history, heritage and culture of Dartmouth.



The Dartmouth Heritage Museum currently resides in "Evergreen" House on Newcastle Street which is open to the public year-round. We welcome your input and suggestions as well as your time! If you wish to become a volunteer or for more information, please read this newsletter for contact information.

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Special Edition!

The Road to Success - (Chapter 3) - Community Answers the Call!

- Lisa O'Neill, Executive Director

In the age where not-for-profit organizations struggle, where volunteer numbers dwindle due to changing priorities and aging volunteer populations, and where budget constraints are at their tightest in years, isn't it lovely to know that we are still growing? The answer to this puzzling contradiction lies in you, the community. You include the residents, schools, seniors, researchers, local businesses, funders, government agencies and sponsors who all support us in our mandate to preserve, protect and promote our heritage and this special edition newsletter acknowledges the contributions by all of you, large and small, young and old. It is obvious that the Dartmouth Heritage Museum is an important part of the community, because you have continued to make us so. Read on, as this newsletter will show a few stories of how you have risen to support us. The Board of Directors and staff of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society wish to thank each and every one of you who have made a difference! As we continue planning for our new home, and begin launching our capital campaign to raise the much needed funds for such a venture, I will ask that you continue to support us at every level. I am proud to be part of this community who has stepped up and answered the call!



Gifts of Renovations

Halifax Regional Municipality has embarked upon a 5-year renovation plan with the Society to restore Evergreen House - what the community lovingly call, "the Gem of Dartmouth". This will ensure that this beautiful historic house, and part of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum collection, will remain to tell its important story to the community. Our volunteers have not been idle either, assisting with new banisters, painting, and gardening. Evergreen was a centre of Victorian social life, a house frequented by Joseph Howe; home to one of Dartmouth's most prominent Victorian men, Judge Alexander James; and later, home to Canada's First Lady of Folklore, Dr. Helen Creighton. It is used in many school and seniors' programs as a living history museum and a place where you can still find a Victorian elegance (and the occasional corset when the Director or Curator have a moment).

To Halifax Regional Municipality, **thank you.**



Fundraising Teas

Dec. 2 & 16
2:00-4:00 \$5.00
(includes tea, coffee,
scones, spreads and
a tour of Evergreen
and current exhibit)

Please call 464-2300 to reserve your table. We have seatings at 2:00 and 3:00. Drop-in's welcome, but we cannot guarantee your seat.

Ukrainian Egg Workshop

Learn the beautiful craft of pysanky and make a Christmas ornament!



Beginners welcome.
Ages 14+
only \$10
Dec. 9, 1:00 - 4:00
Evergreen House
Please call ahead to
reserve your spot!

Street Names of Dartmouth

Victoria Rd.

Commemorated Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887. Prior to this, it had been Common Road. At the cove end, it had been East, Warren and Wilson Street (for William Wilson, Chief Miller at the gristmill in the 1820s).

What Is It?



Look at bottom of page 6 for the answer.

Gifts of Photography

Our main photographic volunteer, Hal Oare, has tirelessly been helping us to capture those moments for our newsletter and calendars.

Joe Zareski and his son Thomas spent many an enjoyable hour helping with pictures for this year's calendar.

To our memory keepers, **thank you.**



Gifts of Art

Briana Corr-Scott, Beth Curlett, Joan Flewwelling, Tom Forrestall, Susan Paterson, Richard Rudnicki, and Kay Stanfield have all donated or have agreed to donate some proceeds of their artwork sales to the Museum. Please visit Evergreen to see some of their work for sale.

The Dartmouth Heritage Matters Group (some members above) are currently working on a Dartmouth heritage art piece for a fundraising draw. Tickets will be going on sale in the new year.

To our artists and craftspeople, **thank you.**

Gifts of Food

Our gingerbread house for Victorian Christmas at Evergreen was made by Vickie and Jerry Craig. Karyn's Cookies and Treats has continued to provide donations of sweet incentives for our volunteers and goodies for the gift shop.

To our bakers, **thank you.**



photograph by Leigh Beauchamp-Day

Gifts of Music

On August 19th, in Evergreen's beautiful backyard, we held our first 'Tea by the Sea'. Many visitors gathered on a gorgeous sunny afternoon to listen to live musical performances. With true Nova Scotian spirit, David Stone, Melanie Ross, Margo Carruthers and Rosalee Peppard performed sea shanties and folk songs, with many of the audience members singing along. In addition, Leigh Day recently entertained us at one of our Thursday Teas with her harp and song.

To our musician friends, **thank you**.



Gifts of Elegance

Oakleaf Interiors donated and installed beautiful curtains for two rooms at Evergreen House.

To Oakleaf Interiors, **thank you**.

Can You Help?

School Programming Interpreters

With all the increased visitation, we have need of volunteers to help us in the classroom, in senior's homes, at the museum and also in the development of new material.

Cataloguing/Collection Audit

With the upcoming move, we need to confirm contents of artifact boxes, update data, and take digital pictures for quick retrieval.

Graphic Design/Layout

Can you use Photoshop? Or Adobe In-Design? Want to help your local museum make a visual impact? We need newsletters and posters, flyers and promotional materials. We have templates, we just need updates.

Fundraising

With our upcoming capital campaign we are in need of people to help with different fundraising events. Do you have a spare bit of time to help us plan and run these events?

Administration

We need a person to help archive old paperwork.

Community Memories Project

We need some people to help digitize documents for our researchers to access.

Committee Support

Do you have committee experience? We always need new members for any of the following: Nominations Committee, Collections Management Committee, New Home Committee, Fundraising Committee, Volunteer Committee, Personnel Committee, Bylaw Committee, Event Coordination Committee, Programming Committee, Heritage House Tour Committee, and the Promotions/Marketing Committee.

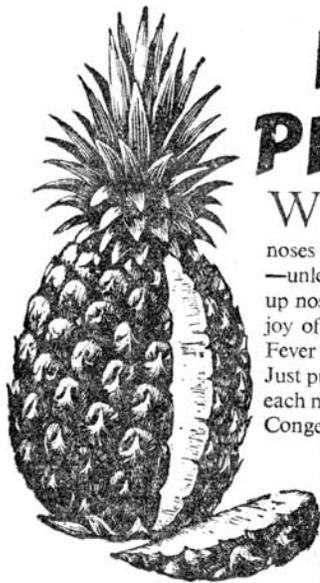
For more information on volunteering go to www.dartmouthheritagemuseum.ns.ca, or drop by for a volunteer information package.

Recipes from the Archives

A Sort of Fine Pancakes:

Take six new-laid Eggs well beat, mix them with a Pint of Cream, a quarter of a pound of sugar, some grated Nutmeg, and as much Flour as will make the Batter of a proper Thickness. Fry these fine pancakes in small Pans, and let your Pans be hot. You must not put above the Bigness of a Nutmeg of butter at a time into the pan.

Taken from "The Art of Cookery Made Plain and Easy", 1755. (DHM artifact # 1969.016)



I SMELL PINEAPPLE

WHAT *does* pineapple smell like? We've practically forgotten. But our noses will soon recognise it when they return —unless we've got Catarrh. For a stuffed-up nose *can't* smell. And Catarrh ruins the joy of taste, too. Treat Catarrh and Hay Fever the *quick* way with 'Mentholatum.' Just put a little of this breathable balm inside each nostril. Swelling in the Nose is reduced. Congested air passages are thus opened. Sore irritated membranes are soothed. Breathe your Catarrh or Hay Fever away the modern 'Mentholatum' way. 'Mentholatum' Balm in jars and tins price 1/5. Also in liquid form, 1/5 (inc. tax).

A New Way to Donate...



Search for Dartmouth Heritage Museum and CanadaHelps.org will take you through the easy way of donating.

Gifts of Vision

For almost 50 years, the Dartmouth Heritage Museum Society Board of Directors have worked tirelessly to ensure the preservation and promotion of local heritage.

To our Board of Directors, **thank you.**

Bring your recyclables in to



at 365 Portland St., Dartmouth

and all proceeds will go towards programming and events at the Dartmouth Heritage Museum

Gifts to the Earth

For over five years, this company has taken donations of recyclables for the Museum.

To Canadian Recycling on Portland St., **thank you.**

Gifts of Time and Energy

Our volunteers are the life blood of this Museum. We could not open our doors, hold our events or run our programs without their dedication and time.

To all of our volunteers, **thank you.**

Further Information

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Gifts of Money



Gold



Silver

Blair, Catherine - Downtown Dartmouth Business Commission - Innovative Real Estate - More, Marilyn, M.L.A. - O'Regans - Savage, Mike, M.P. - Wade Atlantic - WHW Architects

Bronze

B.H. Morash Insurance - CGI Group (individual staff of) - Credit Union Atlantic - Dartmouth Funeral Home - Fares Inc. - Halifax Harbour Bridges - Heritage House Law Office - MacCluskey, Councillor Gloria - Michael Napier Architecture - Renaissance Property Services - The UPS Store

Gifts from the Community

Anonymous x 4 - Apt Solutions - Bannerman, Ron - Barkhouse, Councillor, Jackie - Barss, Sandra - Barteaux, Don & Marjorie - Bell, Robert - Belyea, Lee - Billard, Lewis (in memory of) - Chard, Don & Jean - Conrad Brothers - Croft, Clary - Curlett, Beth & David - Drury, Mary - Earle, I. Joyce - Ellis, Karyn - Fisher, Ruth & Ernest - Foote, Tom & Joyce - Frame, Robert & Sheila - Francis, Paulette - Grant, Nancy - Gunn, Holly - Harrison, Catherine - Hart, Bernie & Barbara - Hatcher, Karen - Hillis, Anne - Horrocks, Norman - Huestis, Lorna - Karsten, Councillor Bill - Keddy, Carl - King, Sally - Lamplugh, Anthony - Laybolt, Anne - Lewis, Suzanne & Michael - Lill, Wendy & Starr, Richard - Mackenzie, Barbara - Mitchell, Theo - Nichol, Councillor Lorelei - Oakleaf Interiors - O'Connor, Barbara & John, Dr. - Osborne, John & Valerie - Paterson, Isobel - Pitt, Elizabeth - Reid, Aileen - Sawlor, Don & Dorothy - Simmons, Valerie Ann Billard - Simpson, Marilyn - Thornhill, Roland - Urchin Holdings - Valcourt, Gill - Vandervaart, Brian - Van Iderstine, Ruth - Wagener, Jean - Whitworth, Stephanie

Curator's Corner

- Crystal Martin

Over the past few years I have heard mention of a “debate” as to whether or not Dartmouth had an incinerator. Well, now we have proof. A copy of a photo showing the incinerator was just donated to the collection. A big thank-you to the donor, Joyce Foote, who kindly provided some research, which I will share with you here;

Dartmouth 1955-1960+

Looking back at the Incinerator and Crusher site:

Lyngby Avenue ended just past the intersection with Crichton Park Road. (In 1955 Lyngby ended at #38). Hillside Avenue ended at #18, and had not yet been opened up to Lyngby. Mount Pleasant Avenue started at #14, 12 & 10 at the corner of Hillside.

The road to the dump incinerator went up to the left off Crichton Avenue, on the second turn past where Lyngby now ends. The crusher site was on the east side of the present-day Crichton Park School driveway. The incinerator was further back; it is now the two soccer fields – the hill on the right side of Micmac Blvd and south-east to the filled in side of the dump. It ended near the parking lot of 1000 MicMac Blvd.

In the late 1950s local families often went blueberry picking where Lyngby Avenue ended, beyond where the school is today.

In the same neighbourhood, Hillside Avenue, Lakeview Avenue and Mount Pleasant Avenue are located on the former Keeler Farm. A road went up the hill on the north-east side to the Keeler home.

So, next time you're in the area of Lyngby Avenue, Crichton Avenue, Crichton Park School and the soccer fields, try picturing blueberry fields, an incinerator, crusher and dump instead!



Gifts of Sponsorship

Local business has increased investment into the Museum's vision. Their much needed annual contributions to our fundraising initiatives keep our doors open and our programs fresh!

To all our Sponsors, **thank you.**

Gifts of Gov't Funding

Halifax Regional Municipality, the Province of Nova Scotia (Community Museums Assistance Program) as well as the Government of Canada through student funding programs have all ensured the continuation of this Museum.

To all levels of Government, **thank you.**

Gifts from the Media

Media on all levels, newspaper, magazine, radio, television and social web media have all given the Museum exposure and profile by continuing their Public Service Announcements and showcasing our continuously changing exhibits and programs.

To all of our Media Partners, **thank you.**

What Is It? - a mouse trap for 4



**Blades
of
Steel**

Dartmouth's History on Ice
January 25 - April 21, 2011



*Skates, Sticks and Lakes...
all you need to pass the time in
a cold Canadian winter.*

*Come and learn about
Dartmouth's hockey and
skating history, and find out
why Dartmouth easily rivals
all other contenders as the
birthplace of hockey.*



Come and see...

- **Victorian Decorations**
- **Real Victorian toys**
- **Evergreen in her splendour!**

Guided tour starts at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday.
During other museum hours, tour booklets will be available.

**Learn from our guide how the trimmings were made and
hear how our community celebrated the season over a
hundred years ago!**

Victorian Christmas **at Evergreen House**

home of the Dartmouth Heritage Museum

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Phone: 464-2300



**Admission
\$2**

November 30 - December 18, 2010

DAMMSel Day – Locative Media Art in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia

- Léola LeBlanc

Earlier this year I was selected as a Local Artist in Residence at the Centre for Art Tapes. I developed a locative media art project that was interactive and put into play Dartmouth's history, heritage and culture. Locative media art uses mobile technology, in this case iPhones, to connect participant to GPS Google maps and imbed digital files like photo, video, or audio into an application to be retrieved by the user. My intention was to reactivate historical artifacts from the Dartmouth Heritage Museum that were tucked away in their archives. With the help of Lisa O'Neill and Crystal Martin I chose twelve artifacts from their collection and wrote a fictional narrative based on the chosen objects. Among these were a whale's eye ball, Quaker shoes, a red umbrella, and a little revolver called the 'Baby Harmless'. Harry Chapman's book, 'In the Wake of the Alderney', also supplied me with some historical facts about Dartmouth like rum-running and whaling. My fictional narrative, which I entitled DAMMSel Day, was put to voice with the help of several actors whose dialog was recorded at the Centre for Art Tapes. In the end, participants experience the fictional DAMMSel Day by taking along an iPhone and walking to several sites in Dartmouth while listening to characters speak to them and each other about the events that unfold during that day.



Teddy's blue tinted shifty eyes shield.

Photograph from www.leolaleblanc.com.



photograph by Hal Oare

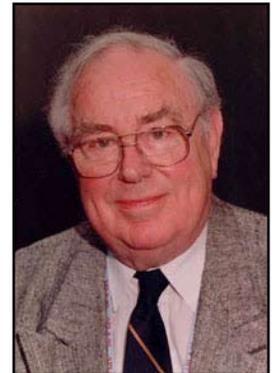
Gifts of Literature

Local authors, like Clary Croft (shown above at his book signing here at Evergreen House last month), Harry Chapman and the Dartmouth Historical Association and Rev. Dr. John Hartley have all donated proceeds from their book sales to the Museum.

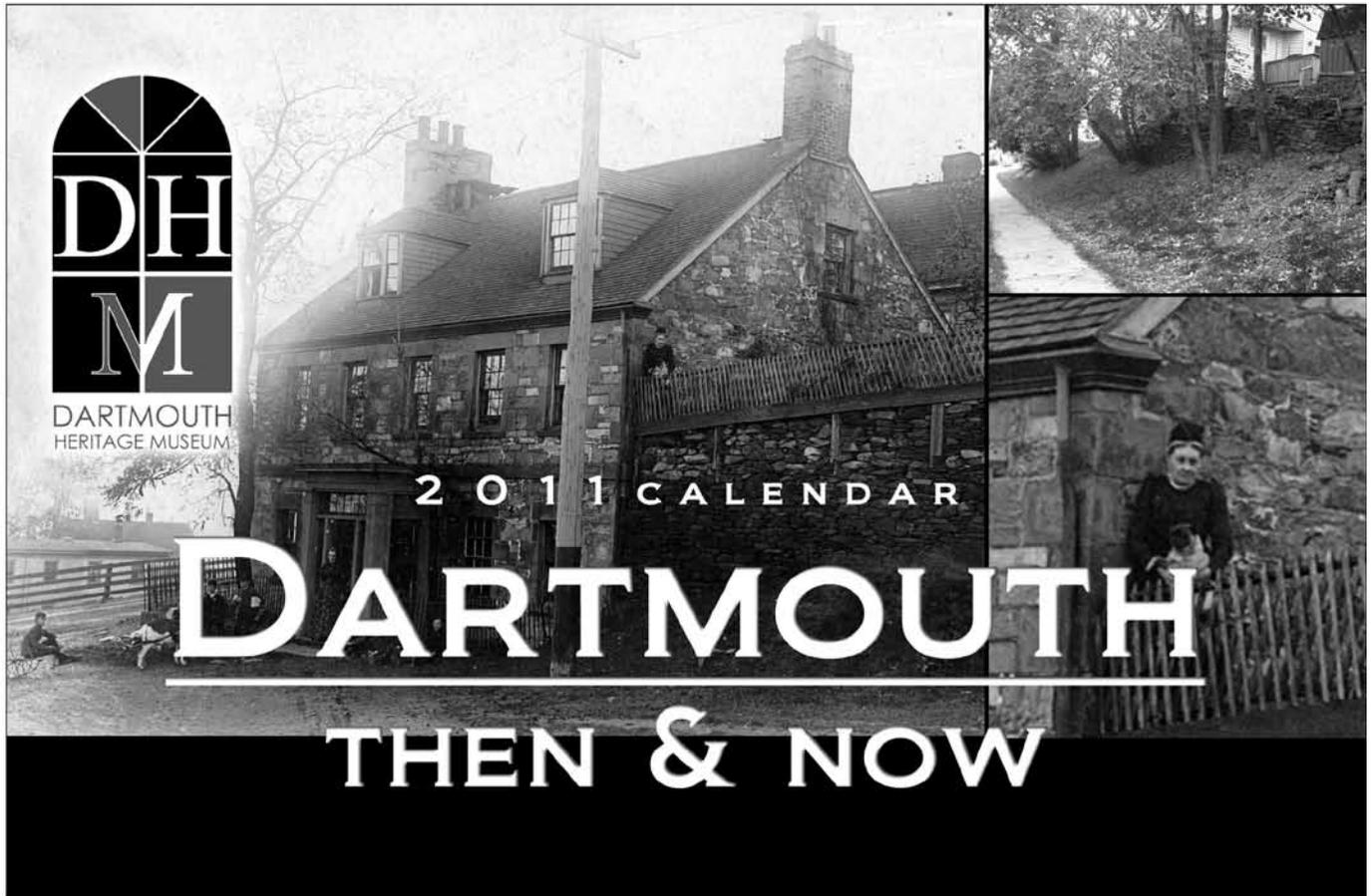
To all of our authors, **thank you**.

Passings...

The Board of Directors and staff at the Dartmouth Heritage Museum are deeply saddened at the sudden passing of one of our Committee members, Dr. Norman Horrocks, OC, PhD, FCLIP, Professor Emeritus School of Information Management, Dalhousie University. Ever the expert on Parliamentary procedure and navigation of policy, his advice and humour will be greatly missed.



We are also saddened by the loss of Dr. Hari Das, Management Professor with the Sobey School of Business. Although only with us a short time, he contributed to the digitization of the photo collection.



2011 CALENDAR ORDER FORM

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE ADDED TO OUR E-MAIL LIST TO RECEIVE NOTICES OF OUR UPCOMING EVENTS AND OUR DIGITAL NEWSLETTER (WE DO NOT GIVE THIS INFORMATION TO THIRD PARTIES). YES NO

QUANTITY _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____
 POSTAGE & HANDLING (ADD \$10) \$ _____
 (OR INDICATE PICKUP) _____

TOTAL \$ _____

PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER OUT TO THE DARTMOUTH HERITAGE MUSEUM SOCIETY AND MAIL WITH THIS FORM TO: DARTMOUTH HERITAGE MUSEUM, 26 NEWCASTLE STREET, DARTMOUTH, N.S., B2Y 3M5