



March Meeting- a Triple Attraction For our March 18th meeting, Don Hayward has put together a program with three powerful elements. Historic gift: President Val Grimshaw will present our 125th anniversary plaques to Mayor Gordon Kranz. These plaques display the portraits of all 40 former Milton mayors and are one of the Society's contributions to Milton's 125th birthday celebrations. Wine and cheese: To highlight the special nature of our March 18th meeting, our Society is staging a wine and cheese party. This will be an excellent opportunity to chat with fellow members, former mayors and other special guests. Feature speaker at the March meeting is Gary Hutton, public relations officer, Halton Region Conservation Authority. He will tell us about early Indian settlements near Crawford Lake at Campbellville. These people were really pioneers-- they lived in this area more than 600 years ago. It should be fun to hear what evidence scientists have dug up.

This outstanding program starts at 7:30 PM, March 18th.

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Gala June Bus Trip- Our special event Thursday June 3rd will be an evening bus trip to historic Osgoode Hall. The building is now in mid-town Toronto, of course, but when Osgoode Hall was first occupied by the Law Society of Upper Canada 150 years ago, it was surrounded by farms. Cost of this evening trip is \$7 per person and that price includes tea in the hallowed Hall. This will be a popular event. Reserve your seat now by telephoning Pam McLean at 878-7678.

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The New Slate At our January meeting members elected the 1982 executive. President, Val Grimshaw; 1st Vice-President and responsible for programs, Don Hayward; 2nd Vice-President and responsible for membership, Audrea Lear-Costigan; Secretary, Pam McLean; Treasurer, Jessie Hamilton. The executive has since appointed three directors: Jean Higgins, research; Anita Fox, special events; Ken Lamb, publicity and promotion.

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1982 Program Mark these dates on your calendar. Our programs will be held March 18th; April 15th; May 27th; June 3rd; September 16th; October 21st; November 18th and the Christmas Party December 16th. A strong attendance makes for good meetings.

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Don't miss the 125th anniversary display at the Milton Library March 1-30.

Our May 27th Program. Milton Public Library 7:30 pm. Curator Jean Hughes of Black Creek Pioneer Village will tell us about the planning and development that has made this Toronto site so successful.

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Don't miss the bus! We mean the special trip to Osgoode Hall Thursday June 3rd. Anita Fox has lined up a most interesting tour of this historic site. Cost: just \$7 a person. Reserve your place now by calling Pam McLean at 878 7678. The bus will leave Milton Library at 6:30 pm. Reservations must be made and paid for by May 28th.

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June 27th, a very special Sunday. Our Society has planned an unusual contribution to the 125th anniversary celebrations. "Sunday in the Park" -- June 27th -- actually starts at the Anglican Church on Main Street at 2 pm. From there Jim Dillas begins an "historic walk" along Main Street, dressed in the fashion of the mid 1800's, and commenting on the noteworthy buildings as he goes. The walk ends at Victoria Park in time for the musical program at 3 pm. The Acton Town Band will perform and likely the Georgetown Choral Society as well. The local papers will carry more on this.

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A hand, please. We'll need a little help to do justice to our 125th anniversary efforts. Would you be kind enough to volunteer a few hours of your time. Please call Pam McLean at 878 7678 and leave your name.

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Home again! We're happy to learn that Jean Higgins, our Research Chairman, is back home after five weeks in hospital. Jean suffered multiple injuries March 25th, a stormy night, when she skidded into a ditch while driving to a Society executive session. Jean's doing fine but it will be a while yet before she's fully up and around.

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Recap. Our March 18th General Meeting was a great success-- at least 75 people watched Val Grimshaw present portraits of all Milton mayors to Gordon Krantz. This was one of the Society's contributions to the 125th anniversary program. The local Dominion Store's cheese trays and the Ontario Wine people's product made it a festive occasion.

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Milton Historical Society Newsletter

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Newsletter

Christmas at the Manor Our Christmas event is a little different this year. We're celebrating with residents of Halton Centennial Manor Thursday December 16th. The fun begins at 7:30 PM in the Pettit House auditorium. We're expecting scores of Manor residents to join us. The Junior Choir from St. Paul's United Church will sing carols. And we'll have more music from Susan Phillips and her youthful Milton strings. Join us at the Manor December 16th!

Culinary Contribution, Anyone? If you would like to make a luncheon contribution to our Christmas party, Robin Barbetta, our special events co-ordinator, would be delighted to hear from you. Robin is looking for cookies, squares or similar. Her telephone number is 878 1871.

Historic Homes We've taken another giant step in the historic homes project. Eight more sites - six homes and two church buildings - now bear the Society's plaques. Val Grimshaw and Jean Higgins did the research and the plaques went up in mid-November. The Canadian Champion is running a weekly photo series on these buildings with appropriate credit to Val and Jean. All told, 15 local sites now bear our plaques. Hard to imagine a project that would give Milton people a greater awareness of their past.

Two for the New Year Our January 20th meeting at the Milton Library (7:30 PM) is a "must" for two reasons. We're expecting to hear from Ernest Buchner, the new curator of the Halton Regional Museum. What does the future hold for this important local institution? The other feature that evening is the election of Society officers for 1983. Chairman of the nominating committee is Jim Dills. If you wish to volunteer your services give Jim a call at 878 6061. Or if you want to nominate a member for office, make sure you have the person's approval. Then call Jim or make your nomination from the floor at the meeting on January 20th.

Society Meets Council A delegation from the Society makes an important appearance before Milton Council January 10th. Our representatives will put the case for setting up a Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC) in this community. Past President Jim Dills, President Val Grimshaw and Vice-President Don Hayward will be accompanied by Richard Moorehouse, LACAC co-ordinator for the Ministry of Citizenship and Culture. There are 130 LACAC's in Ontario-- Oakville and Burlington are good examples. The Society is looking for an early reply from Council following the January 10th presentation. Twelve local citizens already have agreed to serve on a Milton LACAC.

Sparkling Paperweights About 30 members at the November meeting enjoyed seeing and hearing about Blanche Hinton's paperweights. Her enthusiasm was catching. At the close of the meeting more than a dozen members milled around the display as Blanche explained when and where she acquired each item.

MERRY CHRISTMAS !