

NEWSLETTER

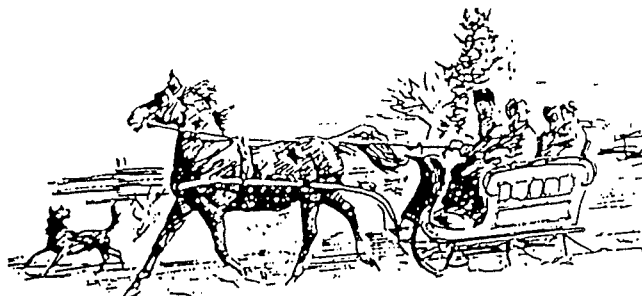
December 1993 -February 1994

*The GLOUCESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY
and GLOUCESTER MUSEUM*

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**Ice - cutting on the Rideau River
at Hurdman's Bridge
from the Bill Adam's collection**



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Best wishes for this New Year, to all!

Many things have happened since our first newsletter. The illustrated talk by Faye Kert, Marine Archaeologist was very interesting, and we all went away thinking of the days when wars were fought on sailing ships. How times have changed!

Interested listeners, armed with notepads, came to the "Genealogy Talk" from as far away as Kanata, and spread out into the hall as the seats were filled. They were not disappointed by the excellent talk given by George Bushell, author and genealogist. Thanks to Jacqueline Rawes for finding us such an interesting speaker.

On November 10th, a group of GHS members headed off to the Museum of Nature, to hear a report of the "dig" at the old Hawthorne Village site, given by Dr. H. Daechsel, Archaeologist. It was hosted by the Ottawa chapter of the Ontario Archaeological Society, an active group, and we were made to feel welcome.

Our annual Meeting will be held April 10th at 1pm. after Easter Sunday. We are asking members and guests to bring along family treasures, for identification by experts who can fill in the gaps of its origin, history, etc.

Christmas and the bitterly cold weather have slowed things down for awhile, but there are plans for an interesting program on Heritage Monday, February 21, 1994, Read on!

Lillian Kitchen



We wish to express our thanks to the City of Gloucester and the Ministry of Culture, Tourism and Recreation for their invaluable support.



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Dear Friends:

I invite you to celebrate Ontario Heritage Week, February 21-27, 1994.

Ontario's Heritage - More Than Meets the Eye is our theme for this year's celebrations. What we are all experiencing at this very moment contributes to the seamless continuity of Ontario's past, present and future heritage. Our heritage is the '57 chevy which was built by Oshawa's GM plant. It is the turn-of-the-century Victorian house sitting on the corner. It is the Toronto Blue Jays winning back-to-back World Series championships. It is the majestic beauty of Niagara Falls.

Heritage takes from the past what a community thinks is valuable and wants to preserve. It comes in all forms - from the tangible, our old buildings and archeological sites, to the intangible, our rites and rituals and our stories. And it is also our natural, cultural and spiritual heritage. Heritage is the total environment we have inherited from the past, are improving in the present and will hand on to the future.

Ontario's heritage, first and foremost, is about people. Our identity and character are rooted in a rich and diverse heritage. Everyone has a place. Let us all celebrate the values and institutions we share as Ontarians, as well as the diverse traditions and aspirations of our many peoples and communities.

This week marks a time to appreciate and acknowledge the people in our communities who dedicate themselves to conserving and developing our heritage. We applaud their contribution.

During Ontario Heritage Week I encourage you to express commitment to conserving and sharing your heritage through support and participation in local events.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Swarbrick
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Mesdames, Messieurs,

Je vous invite à célébrer la Semaine du patrimoine de l'Ontario, qui se déroule du 21 au 27 février 1994.

Cette année, le thème de la Semaine est : **Le patrimoine ontarien : ça saute aux yeux.** Tout ce que nous vivons à l'heure actuelle contribue à établir une continuité entre le passé, le présent et l'avenir de l'Ontario. Par exemple, notre patrimoine c'est une vieille Chevrolet de 1957 montée à l'usine GM d'Oshawa. C'est la maison victorienne du début du siècle qui se trouve au coin de la rue. C'est aussi les deux championnats mondiaux consécutifs remportés par les Blue Jays de Toronto, et c'est également la beauté majestueuse des chutes Niagara.

Le patrimoine est constitué de ce qu'une société désire préserver. Il s'agit d'éléments concrets, tels que les maisons anciennes et les sites archéologiques, et d'éléments abstraits, tels que nos coutumes, nos traditions et notre histoire. Il s'agit également de notre patrimoine naturel, culturel et spirituel. Le patrimoine est donc la totalité de l'environnement dont nous avons hérité, que nous améliorons à l'heure actuelle et que nous léguerons à l'avenir.

Mais le patrimoine de l'Ontario est d'abord et avant tout sa population. Notre identité et notre caractère sont enracinés dans un patrimoine riche et diversifié. Chaque personne y a sa place. Célébrons donc ensemble les valeurs et les institutions que nous partageons en tant qu'Ontariennes et Ontariens, ainsi que la diversité des traditions et des aspirations de notre population et de nos communautés.

Cette semaine, nous avons l'occasion de rendre hommage aux personnes qui, dans nos communautés, se dévouent à la conservation et à la mise en valeur de notre patrimoine. Nous leur sommes reconnaissants.

Au cours de la Semaine du patrimoine de l'Ontario, je vous invite à exprimer votre engagement à la conservation et au partage de votre patrimoine en appuyant les activités locales et en y participant.

Veuillez agréer, Mesdames, Messieurs, l'expression de ma plus haute considération.

La ministre,

Anne Swarbrick



GLOUCESTER MUSEUM NEWS

1192 people visited the museum this year!

Exhibits

"Sneak Preview"

of some of the Hawthorne Site artifacts objects and documents from the collection, and loans from former residents of the area. 2:00 pm. Monday, February 21, 1994 at the museum.

If you have any interesting items from or about Hawthorne please phone or bring them on the 21.

Museum Open House-Sun. Feb. 20,
1:00 to 4:00

How Now Brown Cow?
-dairy farming in Gloucester until 1930

Pride and Perseverance - William Ogilvie

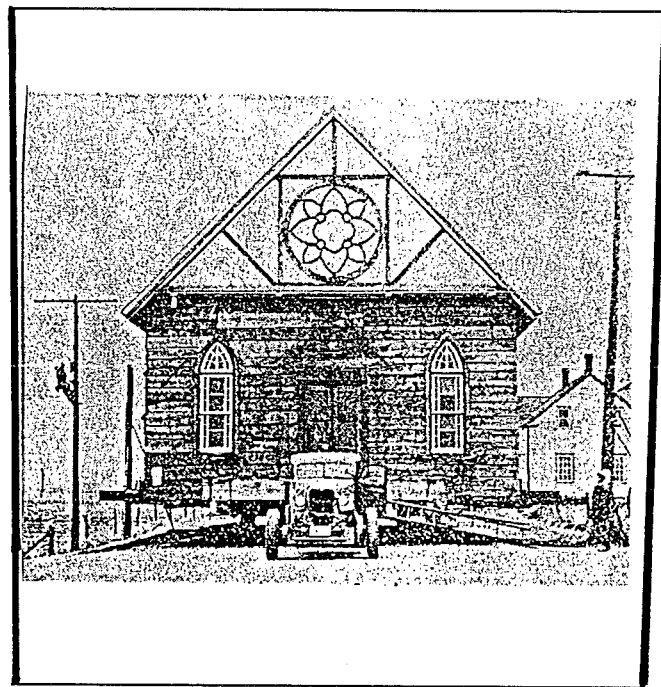
One Room for Learning
-schools in Gloucester until 1930

Kitchen and Kitchen Gadgets 1930
opening late April

Gloucester Museum and Grace Johnston History Room
- Travelling Exhibit - opening late April

The Kitchens 1930 exhibit is well under way thanks to Algonquin Museum Technology students Candy Beauchamp, Ivain Crespo, Karen Dickens, Marie Primeau-Maurice and Alan White.

Welcome aboard to Algonquin students Paula Oswald, Douglas Spencer, Kelly Beetham, Jun He Hun and Kathleen Kavanaugh who are designing the travelling exhibit.



Hawthorne United Church being moved
November 22, 1950

VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to Sheila Rorke who took over many of the responsibilities of the museum and was there to direct the students during the month of December.

The Collection Area is full of new shelving thanks to the incredible efforts of Al Lafortune, Mike Harris, Ron Kitchen and David Mackie. The storage area was "found again" after Mike and Al and Chris Craig moved, built and organized the mess! Chris Craig from Algonquin was with us on a Nov. 7 to Jan.31 placement in Collections Management. He photographed some of the collection and had fun organizing locations for artifacts and looking after them in sometimes frigid conditions. Mark Heiden, also from Algonquin was here on a Museum Operations Management placement and did a fantastic job writing budgets, preparing grants and developing a financial category system.

Candy Beauchamp came in to work on registration. Monica Lozer Shewan is with us from the Prescott Russell Adult Education Cooperative Program and has organized the computer disks into a useable state and has spent a lot of time helping Mary Boyd organize the Carleton West Russell Historical Society Records. Mary has made fantastic inroads into the archival material organization and Lillian Kitchen is here busy with Historical Society business, office organization and "everything else". Ruth Lafortune was busy in December writing articles of local history for local news.

21 volunteers in all! Thank you for all your help.

We are still looking for people to help with

- publicity
- preparing news letter
- input of registration information into computer
- care of artifact collection-cleaning, organization, registration, research
- care of photograph collection

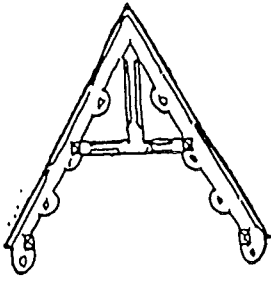


TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:

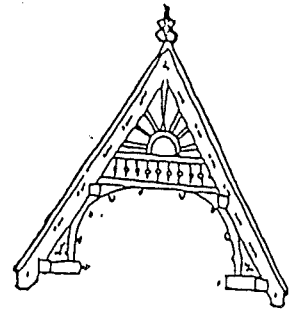
An Equipment Grant from The Ontario Department of Culture, Tourism and Recreation in 1993 enabled us to purchase \$1820.00 of woodworking tools. These will help us with the construction of exhibits.

Conservation equipment -freezer, covers for shelving, vacuum cleaner and conservation supplies were purchased thanks to a grant from Cyrville RA. We are very happy to have had their support.

Lynne Terroux Director/Curator



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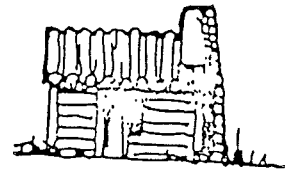
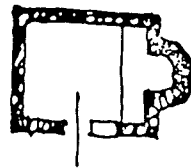
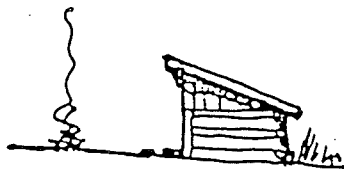
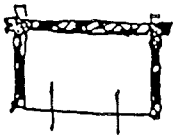


Mayor Claudette Cain has advised us that Gloucester will soon reactivate our LACAC (Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee). Sometime before spring you should see the City's request for volunteers in our local papers, such as the Star and the Leader.

The LACAC will become one of the new advisory committees which the City is forming. Members will advise Council on buildings and lands which should be preserved, and become in-volved in negotiation with owners, fund raising, and dealing with local and higher levels of government. Anyone who is willing to do administrative work or research can apply.

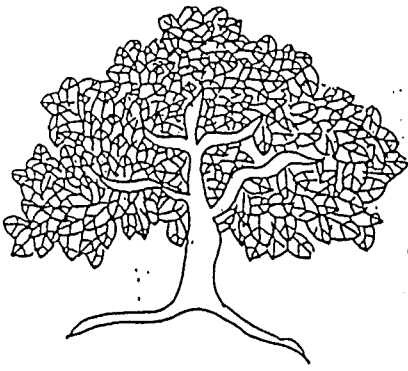
Guy Legault

The shanty



The typical shanty, or settler's first shelter, was of two kinds. The most primitive was composed of three log walls with one unenclosed side before which an open fire was built. The single-room shanty was enclosed on all

sides. At one end it had an inverted funnel built of branches heavily daubed with clay to act as a chimney. Walls of horizontal logs were built to the height of the eaves, and a single opening was sawn out to contain both the door and a small window.



THE GRACE JOHNSTON HISTORY ROOM

The past year was an active one at the Grace Johnston history room. It was great fun to meet the various researchers, and all those who dropped in on Thursdays to visit. There were more than 100 visits, calls and letters from genealogists, students, writers, and others looking for information on Gloucester's history.

The demand on the history room continues to grow, as does the need for more volunteers, to help with indexing, office work, answering research letters, or other specific projects that they might find interesting. (Those interested can call 822-2076.)

Thank you to those volunteers and others who contributed to a successful year for the Grace Johnston History Room, and a special thanks to Lillian Kitchen and Museum Director/Curator Lynne Terroux.

Also thanks to Mr. Gilles Seguin, Records Manager for the City of Gloucester for his co-operation.

To all those who took the time to share their memories, genealogies and family records with us in 1993, it was greatly appreciated. We look forward to hearing from you again.

Mary O. Boyd



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WHEN YOU ARE PLANNING YOUR VISIT

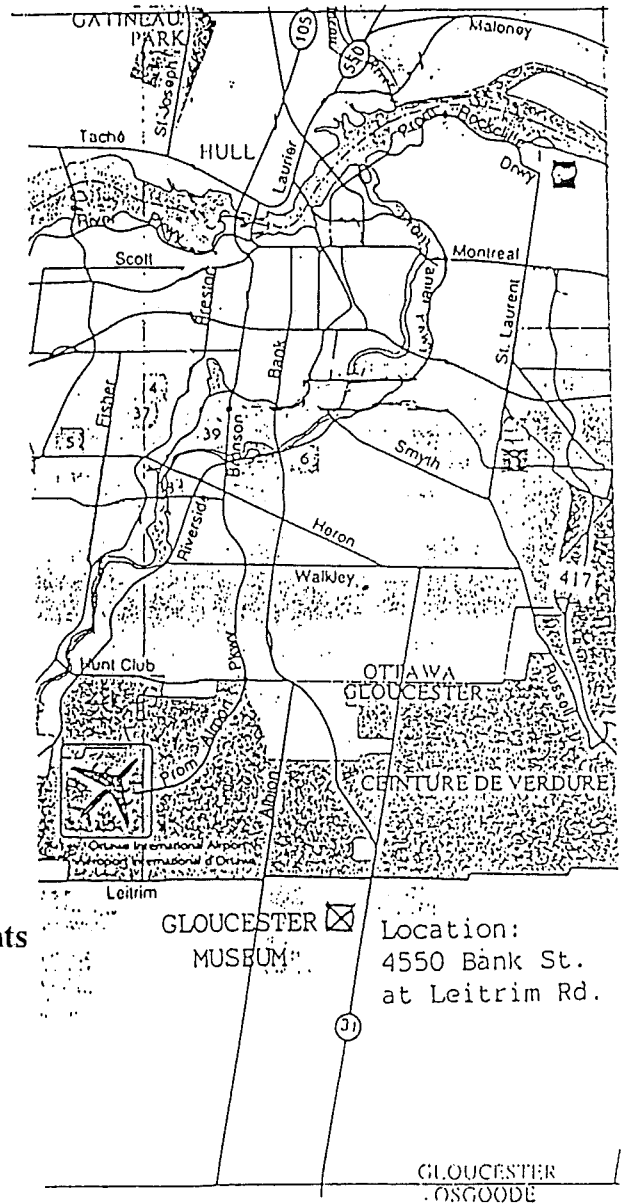
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 4550 Bank Street at Leitrim Road

Societe historique et Musee de Gloucester
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 les Archives municipales, bureau de S.H.G.
 4550 rue Bank intersection chemin Leitrim

Museum:
 Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10 am.-4 pm
 May - October, Sunday 1-4 pm (and by request)
History Room & Archives:
 Thursday, 1-4 pm and by appointment
 Educational programs are available for schools,
 youth organizations, service clubs and groups.

Musee:
 mardis, mercredi, jeudis 10 h 00 a 16 h 00
 mai - octobre 13 h 00 a 16 h 00
La salle historique & Archives:
 les jeudis, de 13 h 00 a 16 h 00 (sur rendez-vous)
 Des sessions educatives sont disponibles pour les enfants
 d'age scolaire, les groups et clubs sociaux.

FOR INFORMATION 822-2076



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Hawthorne Station 1918 Ridge Road

This structure was erected on the New York Central platform at Hawthorne to facilitate the dropoff or pickup of a mail bag while the train was in motion.

Can you identify the two ladies in the picture?
We have no record of their names in our archives.