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Stoney Creek Historical Society

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THE MILLS OF STONEY CREEK

submitted by Doug Jones U.E.

From my research I have concluded that there were three mills on the Stoney Creek. The first and probably the best known was "Green's Mill" up under the mountain. The second was at King St. where the old Lumber Yard is located. I hope to have something on this mill for a later article as there is a Jones connection as well. The third, although likely the first built, was further down the creek just upstream of its confluence with the west branch. This Mill could not be seen from the nearest road, Lake Ave, and possibly has gone unrecorded over the years for this reason.

It is this last one I would like to make the subject of this article. The Mill was built on Lot 24 Conc.II. This property was originally owned by Augustus Jones. He was Crown Patentee and title was registered to him in 1796 although we know he was active in this area from at least 1787. Two adjoining lots were Lot 25 Conc.II and Lot 24 Conc.III and were owned by Augustus' father Ebenezer Sr. and younger brother Joseph. Augustus in a report dated Nov 1791 relates that his father and brother were both killed in an accident in Oct. of 1791. It would be my suspicion that they could have been killed while working on the construction of this Mill. On the Military Maps made at the time of the War of 1812 there is always a Mill shown near this location (it is the only Mill so marked). One of the Maps shows the name Biggar marked beside it. It is possible Augustus Jones built/owned this Mill and leased it out to various people until he sold the property. The first assess ment records of Saltfleet (1815) name only two Mills in Saltfleet

(both on the Stoney Creek). The owners (leasees) were given as VanDusen and Springstead. Peter Spawn sold it to Henry Van Wagner in 1825. On the Wentworth County Atlas of 1875 this portion of the property, with the Mill still marked, is owned by Henry's son Jonathon Van Wagner. *Jonathon's brother* Peter Spohn Van Wagner (who went by the pen name of Hans) was prominent in Saltfleet affairs in the last century. The book "Saltfleet Then & Now" records on p. 143 that the "John(athon) Lampman Van Wagner owned a Mill on a branch of the Stoney Creek that ran through his farm which was part to the original homestead, lot 24, Concession II of the township". I'm uncertain if this was a Sawmill or a Grist Mill.

Ted Jackson's grandparents bought this farm in 1920. Ted still lives on the promontory of land between the two branches of the creek adjacent to the old Mill site on the last bit left of the family farm. The original Mill house has been demolished and replaced with a more modern one. There is still though, in Jackson possession, a fine oil painting of this old home.

To-day if you walk down the East (main) branch of the Stoney Creek you can see the ruins of this Mill on the westerly bank just below the Jackson home. If you look closely you can make out the remains of the old coffer dam on both sides of the creek that would have been used to dam the creek to get a head of water to operate the Mill.

If any of our readers can throw further light on this Mill, especially pictures, could they please notify the Society.

EXPRESSIONS:

by John Hencher

In our museums and in use by our friends in the militia you have seen old guns. There are three main parts to these guns, the lock which includes the firing mechanism, the stock which is the wooden piece which fits the shoulder and the barrel which takes the charge and directs the shot. The words lock stock and barrel which once meant the complete gun now is used to mean the whole thing as in " He bought the business Lock Stock and Barrel."

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:

We are happy to welcome to our membership

Marie Brown, Ellis & Phyllis Corman, John & Dorothy Grieve, Suzanne Hill, Queenston Stationery, Rotary Club of Stoney Creek .

*This Newsletter
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REPORT FROM BATTLEFIELD HOUSE:

by Roel Van der Meiden

The last three months of the year are always the busiest for the museum. Last year was no exception. Our Harvest/Military/Loyalist tours were very popular and our Christmas tours were, as usual, booked solid. Also, we had several of the 100-years of Christmas bus tours. These tours also involve Dundurn Castle and Whitehern.

We had two Candlelight Evenings on Friday and Saturday the 13th and 14th of December. We decided to give these evenings a complete overhaul and, consequently, our visitors were able to meet Mr. & Mrs. James Gage, their friend Judge Taylor and his wife, British Army doctor Samson, Grandmother Gage, Jacob Burkholder and his wife, and the six Gage daughters. Outside, warm cider was served by a bonfire where also carols were sung. Downstairs, in the cellar, we had Stephen Fuller who fiddled while many merry feet danced.

The end of October saw us combining history and Hallowe'en in a "Haunting Spirit Walk". Guides took groups from one station to another where they were "treated" to spooky historical stories, cholera epidemic, military hospital and other related events. The ghost of old Mary Gage made an appearance behind the children's bedroom window and ghostly screams were heard coming from the monument. It proved to be a very successful event.

We are now preparing for our Valentine's Event on

Saturday, February 8, 1997, when Mary Gage's daughter Elizabeth will marry Major John Westbrook. Guests will be treated to a four-course historic dinner and dancing will follow. We will be busy. Staff and Volunteers of our Museum join in wishing everyone a very Happy 1997.

Notes from the Archives:

The archive committee has great plans for the future of the artifacts that belong to the Historical Society. The goal is of someday having our own community museum. The committee realized some of our ideas have to be formalized in terms of policy. What are we collecting? What should we collect? What is of historic value? As you can see these are not easy questions to answer. The Historical Society must also consider the ethics and legalities of collecting. This, is just one of our projects for 1997.

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It is with regret we report the death of member **MARILYN BERNICE CARRIGAN** who passed away December 31 1996, and also two ladies who were beginning members of our society, **MARGARET HEWITSON** who passed away January 1 1997. **LEONE JACKSON** who passed away October 5 1996

MORE ABOUT TOLL ROADS:

Hamilton and Stoney Creek Road

This road was built by the Municipalities of Wentworth and Halton about the year 1850, for about \$24,000.00.

On the 24th November, 1853, it was conveyed to Mr. D. Williamson for \$18,000.00, and by him was conveyed to Judge Jones on the 17th November, 1857.

On the 5th February, 1880, it was purchased by the present owner, Mr. A.E. Carpenter, for \$20,000.00 of which the sum of \$3,000.00 is still to be paid.

The road originally ran from Wellington street to about two miles east of Stoney Creek, and was unfinished from the Bartonville toll gate to a point near the big hill and from the east end of the big hill to Samuel Nash's house. After the purchase by Mr. Williamson, he completed the road. The length of the road is about 8 miles. The receipts and expenditure for the five years ending 31st December, 1885, were as follows:

<u>YEARENDING</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>NETREVENUE</u>
31st Dec., 1881.	\$3,805.86	\$1,031.28	\$2,774.58
" " 1882	3,235.34	539.90	2,695.44
" " 1883.	3,351.72	762.67	2,589.05
" " 1884.	3,446.88	1,055.71	2,391.17
" " 1885.	<u>3,438.27</u>	<u>533.89</u>	<u>2,904.38</u>
Total	\$17,278.07	\$ 3,923.45	\$13,354.62

Mr. Carpenter states that a large portion of the tolls that were collected formerly at the Bartonville gate are now collected by the Barton Gravel Road Company at the gate on Main street, and that these two roads may now be practically treated as one.

I REMEMBER:

Leone Jackson

submitted by Nancy Kinsman

Mrs. Jackson passed away October 5, 1996. She was the grand dame of Stoney Creek, and we will never see the likes of her again. She is featured in this column, because she is a part of the history of Stoney Creek. I spent a summer at the Jackson fruit stand as a teenager, and got a glimpse of this remarkable woman.

Mrs. Jackson was born in the Nash fruit farming family, a very old family in Stoney Creek. Her mother was a Gage. Her beautiful home was featured in the Spectator. Leone loved to show people, the old house "Grand View," reportedly used as a hospital in the War of 1812. Although the farm was annexed by Hamilton, she had very strong ties to Stoney Creek. She bought property in Stoney Creek during the 30's, so she could vote and participate in local affairs. She participated widely in charitable events in Stoney Creek and Hamilton.

At a reception at Battlefield House Museum, several years ago (1988?) Mrs. Jackson told me that she belonged to the Women's Wentworth Historical Society and Mr. Jackson used to cut the grass in the park. I imagine she saw the unveiling of the monument in 1913, but I forgot to ask her if she met the Queen when she visited in the 1950's. We shared a love of Stoney Creek and its history.

As I remember Mrs. Jackson, (and it was Mrs. Jackson, never Leone, but Mr. A.B. Jackson was called Popa, behind Roger's back, at the fruit stand), I thought about her life and the women's issues she saw develop. She would have been a witness to women getting the vote, she owned property in her name, when many married women did not, and lived through the women's liberation movement. Mrs. Jackson had a forceful character, and enough self esteem to give away. Everyone who met her has a story about her. She might have expected and demanded an immense amount of respect, mostly when she was the customer, but she liked people who had an opinion and were not afraid to voice it.

Mrs. Jackson was an artist and a poet. One day at lunch, she started a still life of lilacs, and asked me what I thought of it. What did I know of art? I mumbled something polite and tried to steer the discussion to her technique. A few days later, she had balanced her painting (in an artistic sense), and I said how much better it looked. Of course I received a funny look from Leone, but she saw a genuine and truthful opinion and then answered my question of how she did it. I will remember, Mrs. Jackson gave me my first art lesson.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER:

Once again the annual meeting and elections are over. It is with regret we loose our corresponding secretary, Gerry Heeringa who has chosen not to stand again. Gerry has been a tremendous asset to this and to previous executive and will be missed. The good news is that Gerry will still be active with the plaquing committee. Juanita Mitchell has accepted the corresponding secretaries position. I know she will do a great job and I welcome her to a group of people who work so hard for this Society and are a tremendous help to me.

I am pleased to have received the NEW newsletter The Friends of Battlefield House Museum have started. A very informative and interesting addition to the many excellent functions the Friends, Volunteers and Staff of Battlefield House Museum host throughout the year. They will discover as we have the great interest our fellow citizens have in our history when they are kept informed.

Our Wednesday January 8th meeting at City Hall was bumped! Unfortunately we were not informed until 11.30 A.M. of Monday January 6th. after some of you had been called. We apologize. I know the meeting to explain and receive comments on the Super City plan was very important but after the City invoked user fees, it would have been most helpful had they given us a little more notice of their intentions. When speakers have been arranged well in advance it is difficult if not impossible to try changing their date. We were very fortunate to get the hall at the Anglican Church, Lake Avenue on very short notice for the meeting.

Ron Place

ERLAND LEE (MUSEUM) HOME

The Women's Institutes: Celebrating a century of achievement

Founded in 1897, the Women's Institute organization was the first of its kind in rural Ontario. It provided an educational forum for rural women at a time when there was little else besides isolation and ignorance. As advocates for a better future for women, co-founders Erland and Janet Lee and Adelaide Hoodless showed great insight as they promoted a new idea that would one day inspire the hearts and minds of women across Canada and around the world.

One hundred years later, the Women's Institute Organization is now represented worldwide with a membership of over six-million women in more than eighty countries. Through the umbrella organization known as the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW), Women's Institute members remain connected to the common cause of being "For Home & Country."

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THE WAR OF 1812 ON THE NIAGARA FRONTIER

THE ENGAGEMENTS AT STONEY CREEK AND BEAVER DAMS. (US Version)

(By Louis Babcock, Buffalo Historical Society 1927)

Continued from the Oct. 1996 edition #9

Mr. Loosing reproduces a signed statement made by Mrs. Secord in 1861 which is substantially to the same effect:

"After going to St. Davids, and the recovery of Mr. Secord, we returned again to Queenstown, when my courage again was much tried. It was then I gained the secret plan laid to capture Captain Fitzgibbon and his party. I was determined, if possible, to save them. I had much difficulty in getting through the American guards. They were ten miles out in the country. When I came to a field belonging to a Mr. De Cou, in the neighbourhood of the Beaver Dams, I then had walked nineteen miles. By that time daylight had left me. I yet had a swift stream of water (Twelve-Mile Creek) to cross over on an old fallen tree, and to climb a high hill, which fatigued me very much. Before I arrived at the encampment of the Indians, as I approached they all rose with one of their war yells, which indeed, awed me. You may imagine what my feelings were to behold so many savages. With forced courage I went to one of the chiefs, told him I had great news for his commander, and that he must take me to him or they would all be lost. He did not understand me, but said 'Woman! What does woman want here?' The scene by moonlight to some might have been grand, but to a weak woman certainly terrifying. With difficulty I got one of the chiefs to go with me to their commander. With the intelligence I gave him he formed his plans and saved his country. I have ever found the brave and noble Colonel FitzGibbon a friend to me. May he prosper in the world to come as he had done in this.

LAURA SECORD.
Chippewa, U.C., Feb. 18, 1861."

In 1837 Lieutenant Fitzgibbon gave Mrs. Secord the following certificate:

"TORONTO, 23 Feby, 1837.

"I do hereby certify that Mrs. Secord, the wife of James Secord, Esq., of Chippewa, did, in the month of June, 1813, walk from her house, in the village of St. Davids, to DeCoo's house, in Thorold, by a circuitous route of about twelve miles, partly through the woods, to acquaint me that the enemy intended to attempt by surprise to capture a detachment of the 49th Regiment, then under my command, she having obtained such knowledge from good authority, as the event proved. Mrs. Secord was a person of slight and delicate frame, and made this

effort in weather excessively warm, and I dreaded at the time that she must suffer in health in consequence of fatigue and anxiety, she having been exposed to danger from the enemy, through whose line of communication she had to pass. The attempt was made on my detachment by the enemy, and his detachment, consisting of upwards of five hundred men, with a field piece and fifty dragoons, were captured in consequence. I write this certificate in a moment of much hurry and from memory, and it is therefore thus brief.

(Sig d) JAMES FITZGIBBON,
Formerly Lieutenant in 49th Regiment."

From Mrs. Secord's statements it appears that she claims to have left Queenston at dawn and reached the Indian encampment about two miles east of De Cew's long after dark during one of the longest of summer days. She finally told FitzGibbon of the approach of the column in time for him to concert measures for the defence of his post and the capture of the command.

A scrutiny of the documents appears to establish beyond reasonable doubt that the orders to Colonel Boerstler were not issued until late in the afternoon of June 23rd. He left Fort George about dark, reaching Queenston at eleven p. m. where he camped for the night. He left at daybreak on the 24th with his command. An Indian scout was killed by a flanker at St. David's but his companion escaped. After passing that hamlet two British officers were observed viewing the column and soon the alarm was given by bugles and musketry fire. The command was ambushed between eight and nine in the forenoon of the 24th of June and surrendered about noon on that day. The distance which Boerstler covered from Queenston to the place where he was ambushed does not exceed twelve miles, which at the usual rate of march would have consumed less than five hours. In any event he was attacked four or five hours after he had left Queenston.

Fitzgibbon in his report on the engagement made the day it occurred said that he learned of Boerstler's approach at 7 a. m. on that very day and he does not allude to Mrs. Secord as the source of his information; but he relates how he rode out two miles on the road leading to St. David's and found the engagement then actually in progress between our troops and the Indians who even then had the command surrounded. In 1826, Ducharme, the leader of the Indians, stated that at about 8 a. m., on the 24th his scouts came in to notify him that the camp was about to be attacked. He then made his preparations to meet the attack and sent word to Major De Haren who promised he would support the Indians in the action.

Ducharme also stated that FitzGibbon did not arrive on the scene till the action was over; but in this he probable erred.

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A close reading of FitzGibbon's certificate fails to reveal any statement that he received any warning whatever from Mrs. Secord. On July 8, 1913, Charles Askin, who was at the scene of the fight, wrote a personal letter in which he stated:

"The enemy were observed in the morning on their march by some Indian Scouts who gave the alarm and about four hundred and fifty Indians who lay at Twenty Mile Creek marched off immediately to meet them."

If Laura Secord started on her mission at dawn on the 24th she was wandering in the woods for many hours after Boerstler surrendered. It is difficult to understand how she could have left at dawn on the 23rd for Boerstler did not get his orders till late in the afternoon of that day. Assuming however that in some way she secured information that the order was to be issued and set out on the 23rd at dawn, then she must have consumed about twenty-eight hours in travelling about eleven miles. For we have Fitzgibbon's contemporaneous official statement that he learned of the attack at seven a. m. on the 24th just before the command was ambushed by the Indians who even then had taken up their positions to interrupt Boerstler's march without his knowledge or orders. Fitzgibbon gave no orders to the Indians prior to the attack and took no steps to protect his own command other than to order them to assemble and come on after the fight began.

The tale told by Mrs. Secord has been enlarged upon as the years have passed and while she may have tried to give warning to the British forces it seems fairly clear that her good intentions were fruitless. The Indians probably got word of the attack from the warrior who eluded Boerstler's flankers at St. David's early that morning.

This series is now concluded, I hope you have enjoyed reading a little different version of this historic war. Copies of the complete story are available for \$3.00.

Please contact any of the Executive to order.

101 YEARS AGO:

from the Hamilton Spectator 1895

Monday January 28, 1895: EFFECTS OF BIG STORM Saturday's big storm was followed by gales—trains having considerable difficulty—THE H. G. & B. BLOCKED—The heavy wind yesterday carried the snow like dust and formed large drifts on the H.G. & B. electric railway, especially in the vicinity of the Red hills, east of Bartonville. Within the city limits also the line was badly drifted. A car which started at 8 a. m o'clock yesterday morning with a gang of men only got as far as Bartonville, and as the line filled in behind it almost as soon cleared, the attempt to open the road was abandoned for the day. This morning a train got as far as Bartonville and back, and several gangs were put at work between Bartonville and Stony Creek. It is expected that the road will be in operation again by tonight between here and Grimsby.

MEMBERSHIP:

If you are uncertain as to your membership status, on the right of your name label is the year your membership is paid for.

The membership now stands at an attractive 96. This is an increase of 37 new members for 1996.

A membership of 100 is just around the corner.

FROM THE PAST:

MAY 22, 1908

The regular meeting of the Society was held in the Parish Hall to-night at 8.15 p.m., 6 members being present, President Corman in chair. W.G.Davis, Sec., D.McInnes, J.W.Green, F.White, Mrs.Beaumont.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

Messrs. Wm.Sutherland & Albert Stewart were made members of the meeting.

Treasurer's report was read and showed Total Receipts - Improvement Fund - \$204.50 - Ex. \$186.40 - Bal. \$18.10
Total Receipts - General Fund - Receipts \$18.50, Ex. \$16.03, Bal. \$2.47.

Moved by D.McInnes, seconded by J.W.Green that the report be adopted. CARRIED.

Moved by J.W.Green, seconded by W.G.Davis that the President attend the next meeting of the Women's Institute, Stony Creek, and ask them to affiliate with this Branch. CARRIED.

The Secretary was instructed by this meeting to send a letter of thanks to Hon. E.D.Smith, M.P. for his kindness for donating 44 trees which were planted at Soldier's Plot. CARRIED.

Also to Mr. Harry Cox for his kindness in presenting the Canadian Ensign to this Branch. CARRIED.

Also to Mr. Bath Pyott for loan of men and team also planks for platform used for hauling cannon from T.H.& B. station, Stony Creek, to Soldier's Plot. CARRIED.

It was moved by D.McInnes, seconded by Fred White, that this meeting stand adjourned during Summer months to meet again at call of President. CARRIED.

Stoney Creek Historical Society
Genealogical Query Policy.

Members of the Society may submit two free queries per year for publication in the newsletter. Queries should be typed or printed clearly on separate pages 8 1/2" x 11" in size. Try to limit your query to 50 words and be sure to include your name, address and postal code. Non-members and members wishing to submit additional queries must remit a fee of \$3.00 per query. Your query will be dated when received and printed in the order received as time and space allow.

CALLING ALL LANDS:

The Stoney Creek Historical Society has begun work on its next publication.

A story of the Land Family will be written by author James Elliott. We are looking for help and the possibility of partial underwriting from descendants interested in helping with this publication.

Further inquires should be directed to Mary Lewis at 643-3665

HERITAGE PRESERVATION PLAQUE:

Nominations will be accepted from members of the Stoney Creek Historical Society and the General Public for the 1997 Heritage Preservation Plaque to be presented June 24, 1997. Application forms are available from The Executive of the Historical Society - Comic1 Books, Elm-King Plaza - Queenston Stationery and the Stoney Creek Chamber of Commerce, Mountain Ave S.

HERITAGE DAY CELEBRATIONS:

Sunday February 16, 1996 2.00 P.M.
Stoney Creek City Hall
Everyone welcome

EDITORS NOTE:

When you receive your newsletter through the mail, it being taped on three edges makes the difference in postage from 90 cents to the regular postage of 45 cents. This is Canada Post's ruling. We could use envelopes but feel the tape works just as well. (and it's cheaper).

Cash donations to the Society, or by participating in the sponsorship program, will result in a **TAX RECEIPT** being issued to you as a charitable contribution.

Changed your address or phone number?? Please contact any of the Executive to update your records.

Ron Place

HUNTING FOREBEARS:

Marvin Lander, P.O. Box 641, Red Bluff, California USA 96080 is seeking information about SAMUEL KENNEDY born in New Jersey ca 1792, died 7 March 1861 and is buried in Fifty Cemetery, Winona, Ont. He may have had a son and three daughters. His half sister Eliza Kennedy married Joel Smith and is also buried at Fifty Cemetery. Eliza was born in 1822 and died 1864.

Maria Kennedy born ca 1813 married John Galligan in 1831.
Hannah " born ca 1816 married Alpheas Milmine 1834
Sarah " born ca 1818 married Robert Hadden

If you have any knowledge about any of these people please contact Mr. Lander.

Can you help?

In a record of 1917, Webster's Crossing, Stoney Creek was mentioned. Does anyone know where this was?

by Dorothy Reid

Next newsletter will be issued Wednesday, May 7 1997

Material deadline is MONDAY, April 15 1997

Stories, News or Queries can be mailed to

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HELP WANTED:

We are making room in our Society library for copies of Genealogy Records and Family Histories of early residents of Stoney Creek, Winona, Vinemount and Bartonville. These can eventually be made available to interested members doing research on their own branch of the many early families. If you would like to donate either of these items please call our Archivist Dorothy Kinsman at 662-2900 to arrange for pickup.

CHURCH BULLETIN BLOOPERS:

Thursday night - POTLUCK SUPPER. Prayer and medication to follow

FUTURE SPEAKERS:

March 5/97: Dr. Butson "Celebration on the life of John Rae Arctic Explorer 1813 - 1893"
April 2/97: Nancy Kinsman "Sampler Embroidery"
May 7/97: *not confirmed.*

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Why is this story so important? It has had a profound effect on the lives of women, and, as a result, on families and communities as well. From its inception, this organization was not limited in scope. The original Constitution states that all members would have the opportunity to expand their knowledge in a variety of other areas, apart from domestic economy, such as art, literature, music, medicine, horticulture, sociology, education, legislation, and architecture. Just to name a few.

In 1940, many Women's Institute branches across Ontario began compiling scrapbooks of the history of their communities. Better known as *Tweedsmuir Histories*, these books represent one of the most outstanding and valuable contributions of the organization. These histories incorporate information about the community, including recreation, geography, topography, municipal government, farming, homes, education, trade and commerce, local families, churches, schools, libraries, industry (past and present), war records, etc. These comprehensive factual collections of historical data and pictures have been recognized by the Ontario Ministry of Education as authentic sources of material for students of history.

Across Canada the work of the Women's Institutes as a volunteer organization continues to this day. In 1995 the membership in Ontario donated over 3/4 million hours of volunteer service to a wide variety of projects and causes. With this being our Anniversary year, I would like to encourage the Historical Society membership to come and visit the Erland Lee Museum during our 1997 season.

The Erland Lee (Museum) will re-open on Tuesday, April 1, 1997. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, from 10 am to 4 pm, and Sunday 1 pm to 5 pm. From April 2 to September 6, a travelling exhibition from the Royal Ontario Museum called *Patterns In Light*, will be on view. This unique exhibit traces the history of glass tablewares in Canada from 1870 to 1930.

Our special events are as follows:

April 5: M-m-maple Syrup Day from 9 am to 2 pm. Cost \$4 per adult and \$2 for children 10 and under.
June 16 & 17: GARDEN PARTIES in the morning OR afternoon. Tickets are \$25 and must be purchased in advance. Festivities include period entertainment, cool refreshments, with the guests of honour, Erland and Janet Lee and Adelaide Hoodless. Meet WI members from South Africa, United Kingdom, and the South Pacific!

Stay tuned to the next newsletter for more information regarding Museum events and centennial celebrations.

Prepared by Mary Kneebone, Curator.

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We will be contacting the Hamilton Public Library Special Collections department to microfilm some of our newspapers. We have some very rare back issues of the Stoney Creek News that should be preserved for the future.

A McMaster student expressed an interest in our archives for his dissertation. This is a wonderful example of how the Stoney Creek Historical Society can make a contribution to the field of history.

The archive committee will also be busy labeling our collection with accession numbers. With the hundreds of items in the Sackrider collection, this is going to be a big project. We will be using the numbering system you see on artifacts in museums.

1997 is going to be a great year for the Historical Society and I am getting it off to a good start by writing this article on New Year's Day.

Nancy Kinsman

Stoney Creek Historical Society

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VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

MEETINGS ARE HELD AT STONEY CREEK CITY HALL, SALT FLEET ROOM
1st. WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH BEGINNING AT 7.30 pm. SEPTEMBER TO JUNE
COFFEE AND REFRESHMENTS FOLLOW



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

(Please print)

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt.: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____ Phone: _____

Families: (List names of family members) _____

Membership Dues:	Family	Single:	Student/senior	Business/Institution:
	\$15.00	\$ 12.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 20.00

(Please check) Renewal: New:

Membership Term January 1st. to December 31st.
Please complete this application and make your cheque payable to

The Stoney Creek Historical Society
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