

REMEMBER
THE



CORMAN HOUSE

THE
STONE CREEK
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY

NEWS

JANUARY 1994

EDITION # 1.

SOMETHING NEW!

by Ron Place

A new venture is unfolding for our group. This newsletter will be an attempt to keep our members informed of progress in our undertakings, as well as new ideas as they take place. As most of you know, our present project is the publication of the "THE STORY OF BILLY GREEN", which we are planning for February 1994. The writer, James Elliott and the illustrator are putting the final touches on the manuscript and the executive is working to arrange financing.

With this paper we hope to notify members of the news from "BATTLEFIELD HOUSE", the happenings at the "ERLAND LEE HOME" as reported by the curator Mary Kneebone, the latest developments on PLAQUING from George Lewis, a FINANCIAL REPORT from treasurer Milt Henderson and a list of FUTURE SPEAKERS and their topics from Barbara Green.

BUT!

We need your input to achieve these things, starting with a name for our paper. Any suggestions? Would you be a contributor by preparing a short informative column? Any help you can give will be beneficial in giving our membership a better understanding of our goals.

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership now stands at 11 Family and 13 individual. We would like very much to increase these numbers. A CHALLENGE FROM YOUR EXECUTIVE .to ALL members, try to bring at least one visitor to a meeting, I'm sure when a visitor attends a meeting they will be impressed enough to return and join.

THE PRESIDENTS CORNER:

by Mary Lewis

Looking back over the activities of the Historical Society during the past year, I am reminded of the very interesting and informative programs we all enjoyed, followed by wonderful refreshments.

Remember our pot luck dinner celebrating the 150th. birthday of the Lewis House, shared with our friends of Battlefield Museum?

A big "Thank You" to the Executive Committee members who make my job as President so pleasant and easy.

This year we will see our book on Billy Green in print. A dream come true.

We are looking forward to Heritage Week celebrations starting Feb.20th. at City Hall when James Elliott will read the story of Billy Green.

Our thanks to Ron Place for taking on our newsletter, Keep up the good work Ron.

Wishing you a Happy and Historical New Year.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

by Milt Henderson

Account balances and explanations are as follows.

GENERAL FUND. \$132.79
MUSEUM FUND \$4761.98(term deposit)
PUBLISHING FUND \$2904.96 (This includes \$1140.00 from the 1993 Candlelight Tour, some expenses are still to deduct).

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During 1993, there were 41 copies of the book "CROSS ON THE MOUNTAIN" sold.

Our major expenses were,

- (1) A tape recorder and accessories for our tape interview project.
- (2) The banner for use in the Flag Day Parade, and other events.

ERLAND LEE (MUSEUM) HOME.

by Mary Kneebone

WOW, what a year!! During the 1993 Season (April to November), the Erland Lee Museum Home recorded over 1500 visitors to view our site. Many of our visitors were W.I. Members from overseas and Canada, but we also had a significant increase in the number of visitors from the Hamilton - Wentworth Region also! Our 1994 season promises to be even better as the Museum Home gears up for opening day, Monday, April 4, 1994.

Saturday, April 9, marks our first invitation to the general public to come and taste a homemade pancake extravaganza cooked the INSTITUTE WAY!! This All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Feast will be served with the delicious and m-m-m so good real maple syrup, direct from the Tapleystown sugar bush once owned and operated by the Lee Family! The time to be at the Museum is between 11:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. and the cost is only \$3.00 per person! DON'T MISS IT !!

Saturday, May 7, is Hands-On Heritage Craft Day, at the Lee. Participants will choose two of five crafts offered by qualified instructors. Advance registration is necessary, and forms will be available at Museum Home. The cost is \$25, which includes a hot lunch & beverage prepared by the Lee committee. Classes will run from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information on these notices or general inquiries, please phone 662-2691.

BATTLEFIELD HOUSE!

by Susan Ramsay

Weekly volunteer training sessions from January 26 to April 6, 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Coffee and refreshments served. Two off-site sessions planned. EVERYONE WELCOME.

Heritage Day in February. Date not yet established.

March Break opening of the House March 14 through March 21, 1:00-4:00 pm.

For more information contact Battlefield House at 662-8458.

FUTURE SPEAKERS!

by Barbara Green.

January 5th. George Pond will show a film entitled "CRY OF THE LOON".

February 2nd.

Bill McBride on the "WAR OF 1812"

March 2nd.

Rita Griffin-Short tells of the "ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG AT MOUNT ALBION AND MUD ROADS"

Plaquing Program:

by George Lewis.

Undoubtedly you have noticed some of the distinctively designed Stoney Creek Historical Society plaques, cream with green lettering appearing on our city's historical buildings, in recognition of their heritage value. Already plaqued are Century Square (Milmine building), Stoney Creek United Church, St John's Anglican Church Winona, Corman House, Billy Green, and Lewis House.

Keep watching, More to come.

DID YOU KNOW ??

On November 7 1930, the name of "THE WENTWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY" was changed to "THE STONEY CREEK HISTORICAL SOCIETY".

Our official logo is the OLD CORMAN HOUSE. The photo for our letterhead was a photocopy which has had many copies made without preserving the original, and is now unusable. Our thanks to Evelyn Wills, who has been able to locate a photograph which I have temporarily incorporated into a revised logo for use on our newsletter and letterheads, subject to final approval by the executive.

HELP WANTED:

WANTED, photographs of OLD downtown Stoney Creek required for our archives, and display, and for use in the newsletter.

Do you have an inquiry or comments you would like published in the newsletter? someone may be able to help you.

TAPE LIBRARY:

The Society has a library of 14

audio tapes, interviews with some of our Senior Residents telling of life in Early Stoney Creek. These tapes are at each of our meetings, and may be borrowed by members. Suggestions for further interviews will be gratefully received.

NOTE:

Next newsletter will be issued at the MAY meeting. Deadline for material to be included is APRIL 15.

Any suggestions to improve the layout and, or readability of the newsletter will be appreciated, all ideas will be considered.

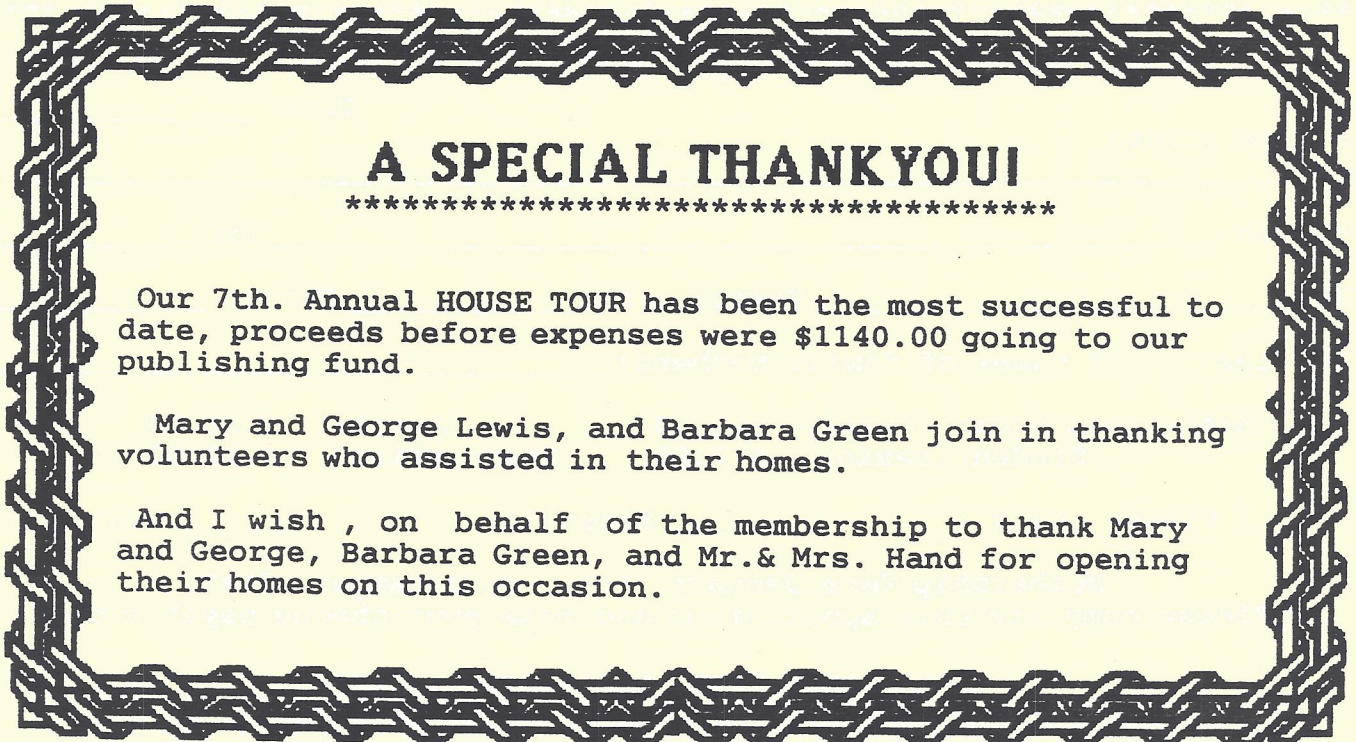
Because January is our general meeting and election, a revised executive list will be available at the February meeting.

A SPECIAL THANKYOU!

Our 7th. Annual HOUSE TOUR has been the most successful to date, proceeds before expenses were \$1140.00 going to our publishing fund.

Mary and George Lewis, and Barbara Green join in thanking volunteers who assisted in their homes.

And I wish , on behalf of the membership to thank Mary and George, Barbara Green, and Mr.& Mrs. Hand for opening their homes on this occasion.



Stoney Creek Historical Society

1994

Executive

President:	Mary Lewis	643-3665
1st. Vice President:	Barbara Green	662-6920
2nd. Vice President:	Ron Place	662-8856
Treasurer:	Milt Henderson	662-1035
Recording Secretary:	Mary Kneebone	662-2310
Corresponding Secretary:	Jerry Heeringa	664-2067

Directors:

Evelyn Wills	664-6150	Bill O'Reilly	662-2248
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Committees:

Archives:	Dorothy Kinsman	662-2900		
Publication:	Mary & George Lewis	Barbara Green	Bill O'Reilly	
	643-3665	662-4582	662-2248	
Plaquing & Liaison to L.A.C.A.C.:	George Lewis	643-3665		
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	662-8856	664-6150	662-2248	

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

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION\RENEWAL

Date: _____

(Please print)

Name: _____

Address: _____ Apt.: _____

City: _____ Postal code: _____ Phone: _____

Families: (List names of family members) _____

Membership Dues:	Family	\$15.00	Single:	\$ 12.00
	Student\senior	\$ 7.00	Association:	\$ 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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