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Denbigh from the Hill. Hartman's store on the left burned down New Year's Eve, 1993. The church is St. Paul's Lutheran Church built in 1886. If you want to know more, Christine Hermer's "This Was Yesterday" on the history of Denbigh is available for sale at the museum. *Photo: date unknown, Peter and Mary Jane Turner Album, CDHS flickr website.* We now have over 624 photos and 241 followers on flickr.

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# President's Message

LP.

This message closes another chapter in the history of CDHS. It's already been three years since I was given the honour of presiding over this fine Society. My term as chairman of CDHS has expired, and although I'm glad to give someone else the privilege of leading it for the next term, I do so with heavy heart but good memories.

CDHS could not have been possible without the vision, determination and action of people who understood that our wellbeing today results from sacrifices that others made. It's therefore important that we keep their memories alive and reflect back on what they had to endure so that we could enjoy the lives we have today. In my short time with CDHS, as an outsider, and through my association with many of you, I learned more about the area, the people and their hardships than one could hope for. For this I am thankful.

Members of the catchment area (Denbigh - Kaladar, Harlow - Flinton) you are, as I was, fortunate to have volunteers that devote so many hours, physical work and money ensuring that your stories, past history and your ancestors are remembered. Board members and Curator are without a doubt the most dedicated an association would want. Without their devotion and willingness to protect the past, the growth of the museum and archives as well as collection of artifacts would not have been possible. Their passion reflects positively on the respect they hold for our ancestors and invites positive comments from visitors who learn about our area and your families' past. I'm confident you will agree that they deserve a great round of applause and I invite you to personally thank them next time an opportunity arises.

Technology has propelled us globally with the Heavy Weights. We are now on flickr and sit comfortably in "The Commons" of flickr (partner of The Library of congress), with the likes of the Smithsonian, National Archives and many others. That's a big achievement that I certainly didn't have the skills or knowledge to get us there. On your behalf, I thank CDHS member Ken Hook for his continued efforts in getting us known the world over.

It's a good reminder of the hard work done by different committees throughout the year. The committees are relentless in their efforts and could certainly use some help at times. Your assistance in any capacities you may have would sure be appreciated. So please, pull on our sleeves and tell us what you would like to help with, and if you're not sure how you can assist, we will find something of your liking. We need you, and would appreciate and encourage younger people to join us.

In closing, I wish my replacement a pleasant term and assure him-her of my continued support in leading CDHS to greater heights. I thank you all for the excellent three years. I will cherish the memories.

J. J. (Red) Emond, President 🔻



Financial report for the Cloyne and District Historical Society for the year 2015

The financial and Treasurer's report for this Spring newsletter summing up the financial activities of the Society for the year 2015 is rather meagre. The reason for this is that not a lot of financial activity, other than day to day operations, was undertaken during that calendar year.

We were able to take advantage of two federal government grants for four students last summer with the usual grant from the programme called Young Canada Works being our standby over the past decade or so. YCW sponsored three students with a further grant from the Canada Summer Jobs programme sponsoring one student. These grants represented more than \$13,500 of our overall revenue. Further to that, our two local municipalities contributed their usual \$500 each towards operating expenses. These funds are very much appreciated and we thank the municipalities for their consideration.

Our bank balance was fairly consistent all year with a closing balance on 31 December 2015 of \$3522.84. The reserve fund that we keep for emergencies with our investment counsellors Raymond-James Investments in Kingston, closed the year with a value of \$5155.84.

The best news with regard to our finances last year has to do with the appreciation our patrons and donors have of the Cloyne and District Historical Society Endowment Fund. It is being managed by the Napanee District Community Foundation. This year we have in excess of \$1600 from that investment income which can be used either for general expense items or ploughed back as an addition to the Fund capital. This fund closed the year at \$60,271.53.

In perusing the Balance Sheet, I became aware that the value of our Fixed Asset accounts was out of whack with reality. These numbers have been adjusted to represent more meaningful values.

Financial donations to the Society arrive in several forms. On the Income Statement, we've categorized them as Charitable Donations, Patron Donations, and Miscellaneous Donations. Charitable receipts are issued for Patron Donations and Charitable Donations while the miscellaneous and Museum Donations are received fundamentally from monies collected at the Museum and other social events. The total of these donations was close to \$8000 in 2015.

After the large throughput of funds for our museum addition a couple of years ago, it is refreshing to be able to show the financial position being as strong as it currently is. We would be happy to answer questions or provide more detail to any of the financial records via email to pioneer@mazinaw.on.ca. (Financial Statement Page 5)

Ian Brumell, Treasurer 🛪

# Cloyne Museum and Archives Annual Report for 2015

E ach new season brings changes, new ideas, new artifacts and general renewal to the museum and archives, 2015 being no exception. Our reputation for excellence continues to grow, fostered by the work of the committee and the membership of our organization. The Communications Committee deserves our special thanks for the focus it has placed on the Museum and Archives.

The season attendance was record-breaking for us, with 1450 people visiting from June 1 to close-up after Labour Day. Was it the new sign south of Northbrook which advertises the museum, or the relatively new "Cloyne: Home of the Pioneer Museum" signs at either end of the village which were responsible for those impressive numbers? We probably need another season or two to confirm these trends.

Some displays changed this summer, others did not. The central display featuring the medical instruments of Dr. Ellen Blatchford of Skootamatta Lake was very well received. And because of the most unfortunate death last February of her son, Bob Blatchford, the photo memorial created in his honour was also viewed many times. Because we have so many visitors from Bon Echo Park, the Bon Echo presentation, which centres on the history of the park, continues to attract viewers.

One member of this summer's staff had taken a course in Geology at Queens, which was a particular benefit to us. Her task, outside of welcoming visitors, was to catalogue the museum's collection of rocks and minerals, most of which had come to us piecemeal over the years but with a substantial number from the estate of the late Bill Scott, a graduate of the Haileybury School of Mines in the 1950s. There is still one box of materials left to catalogue, but Jessica's work this summer goes a long way to filling one of the major gaps in the museum's database.

While the tools display in the new section of the building is much more attractive and explicit than it used to be, it could use a reorganization and update. If anyone is interested in giving us a hand with that, we would appreciate hearing from you!

On the Archives side of our business, we continue to have requests for information from the website. Over the year, the following names have formed a part of either our donations or our searches: Ruttan, Atkins, Yanch, Freeburn, Kennelly, Trumble, Forbes, Sedore and Rhena Pollard Cole. Many of you will remember that last name. It surfaces again because a descendent, living in Saskatoon, is now writing a book about Rhena. I have been in contact with her about the information and photos which we hold.

To touch briefly on the sales side of our operation, a new book about Billa Flint proved popular. Our "tried and true" items continue to sell well. Many thanks to Ken Hook who keeps the CDHS website current and attractive, so important because the website is the door for many people into our organization. Thank you to committee members Carol Lessard, Eileen Flieler and Wendy Hodgkin for their dedication, as well as to all members who over the past year have shown their support for the Cloyne Pioneer Museum and Archives.

Respectfully presented, Margaret Axford, Committee chair  $\partial \mathbf{k}$ 

# 2015 Annual Communications Committee Report

2015 was a busy year for our team. We worked, planned, laughed, made mistakes and sometimes politely disagreed. It was always fun and productive.

- Regular event notification to: Tweed News, Frontenac News, Napanee Guide, Central Hastings News, This Weekend in L.&A. County.
- Press releases: Frontenac News, The Scoop, & The Madawaska Highlander.
- Entries in Seasonal Publications: Bon Echo News, Discover Land of Lakes, Lions Toll Road, North & Central Frontenac Recreation & Activity Guide, On Route, Summer Fun Guide.
- Produced and distributed: Spring/Summer & Fall/ Winter Pioneer Newsletters (\$655.40)
- Advertised Yard Sale (\$55.47), Museum Opening (\$55.47), Lions Toll Road (\$35.00).
- Arranged for replacement of Museum sign and installation of new Billboard Highway sign. A special thankyou to Pat Reid, Phil Barchard and Red Emond who gave up the best part of a day to help Roger MacMunn with assembly and installation.

Expenses:

2 Newsletters + supplies	\$701.90
Balance paid for signs + \$150 permit	\$1842.45
Web Master	\$85.50
Advertising Total	\$145.94
Event Posters	\$5.40

## Total Expenses \$2781.19

Respectfully submitted by Marcella Neely for the Communications Committee  $\approx$ 

Cloyne and District Historical Society Financial Statements to 31 December, 2015	Balance Sheet	Assets	Communications Committee - 6-3000 Current Assets	Expense \$701.90 Bank Account \$3,522.84	\$	Total \$2,544.35 Reserve Fund \$5,155.84	Inventory \$2,050.00	Total \$71,000.21		Fixed Assets	kpenses Buildings & Property \$150,000.00	res \$44.02 Display fixtures \$6,500.00	&Peripherals \$97.08 Office Equipment \$9,000.00	Total \$141.10 Museum Artifacts \$23,000.00	Total \$188,500.00		Total Assets \$259,500.21					<u>Liabilities &amp; Equitiv</u>	atchford tribute \$712.50	Equity	Endowmnt Equity added \$7,297.32	CDHS Equity \$157,683.47	Opening Balance Equity \$58,738.59	Retained Earnings \$34,803.31	Net Income \$977.52	Total \$259,500.21	Total Expenses \$36,620.97		Total Liability & Equity \$259,500.21	Net Income \$977.52				
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loyne and D					4-1000	\$2,353.12	\$4,406.00	\$1,135.30	\$13,504.18	\$1,545.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,535.00	\$618.00	\$2,076.00	\$522.80	\$1,436.90	\$1,480.00	\$1,890.00	\$997.70	\$400.45	\$642.00	\$1,975.00	\$50.00	\$31.04									\$37,598.49					<ol> <li>FIXED ASSETS at 2. Inventory consi</li> </ol>
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# Hartman Family History

by Shirley Sedore

William Hartman and his future wife Sophia Stark arrived in Canada in 1864. William came to the area near Plevna and little information is available about what he did in his early years here.

Archives o	f Ontario; Series: MS248; Reel: 10
Name: H	C W Hartman
Age: 32	
Birth Date:	abt 1833
Birth Place	: Hanover
Marriage D	Date: 26 Feb 1865
Marriage C	ounty or District: Lennox and Addington
Father:	William Hartman
Mother:	Catharine Mallory
Spouse:	S S A Stark
Spouse's A	ge: 22
Spouse Bir	th Date: abt 1843
Spouse Bir	th Place: Prussia
Spouse Res	sidence: Clarendon, Quebec, Canada
Spouse Fat	her: Francis Stark
Spouse Mo	ther: Mary Venn
Residence:	Clarendon, Quebec, Canada

Sophia and her parents settled in Clarendon, Quebec a village near the Ottawa River. It is located in the area now known as the Outaouais and in 2011 the population was 1183.

The present members of the family weren't sure how

their great-grandparents met so it is left to our imagination. One possibility is that they arrived on the same ship or maybe they knew each other before they left Germany. We do have their marriage registration, so we know when and where the wedding took place. They married on February 26, 1865 in Lennox & Addington County.

They had a large family of five girls and three boys. In 1875 they were living on lot 28 concession 5 adjacent to the Frontenac Road. The property was patented in 1885 and William was the person named on the assessment roles.

Life was hard for the pioneer families in those years. To obtain ownership of your land you had several requirements to fulfil. Some of these included clearing a certain number of acres and building a house in the first year. In following years you had to continue improving your land and bringing more acreage under cultivation. These were requirements to gain ownership but it is also pretty clear they were necessary for survival.

In 1881 tragedy struck the family when their oldest son, William drowned in the log slide at Plevna. He gave his life to save a friend, something we would consider quite heroic but I imagine gave little comfort to his bereaved family.

The children grew to adulthood and married spouses whose surnames are still well known in the area. Louise,

Willamina and Carolena all married men with the surname Lemke. Augusta married a man named Gorr and the youngest girl, Matilda married John Schonauer.

The two surviving brothers James and Ferdinand married two sisters Annie and Margaret Schonauer.

Writing a complete family history would fill a book. In this article we will be concentrating on James and Annie and their descendants. James and Annie were married in 1899 and had six children. Their children Gertrude, Lorne, Clifford, Zilda, Jessie and Eleanor were the third generation in Canada.



James and Annie Hartman. Photo on right with youngest daughter Eleanor. *Photos: Glenn & Rebecca Hartman* 

In the first years of their marriage they lived near Ardoch and we could find no information on what he did for a living. There is a school picture of the students of S.S.#1 Ardoch in 1915 that shows four of their children, Gertrude, Lorne, Clifford and Zilda as well as a cousin Willie who was Ferdinand and Margaret's eldest child.

In 1930 James and Annie bought the store in Denbigh and the family moved there. The store took the Hartman name and was operated by three generations for the next sixty-three years. The family were active in the community and strong supporters of community events.

Following James and Annie, Clifford and his wife Ellen [nee Thompson] took over the store and were also always active in the community. Clifford and Ellen had two children Glenn and June. Eventually, in the fifties Glenn and his wife Rebecca Platz became the third generation owners of the store. The family was always well thought of in the community and Glenn added an oil delivery service to the business.

Glenn and Rebecca had two children Jim and Joanne and his sister June has one daughter. Glenn and Rebecca still live in Denbigh and June lives in Las Vegas.



Hartman's Store, Denbigh. Photo: CDHS Archives

This short history covers five generations of one branch of the descendants of William and Sophia. There are many others and so their descendants number into the many hundreds. ≉

# 1st North Addington Girl Guides by Marcella Neely

Early in 1948 Mary Lloyd and Ruth Stevens were passionate to form a Girl Guide troop in the area. They began recruiting girls from the ages of 14 to 17 from Kaladar, Flinton, Harlowe, Northbrook and Cloyne.

On November the eleventh of that year they registered their troop of 41 members with the Girl Guides of Canada, Ontario Council. The captain was Miss Mary Lloyd and the lieutenant was Mrs. Ruth Stevens. They disbanded on October the seventh, 1952 but shared an event packed few years while active. Some of the names of the girls we have been able to track down are: Mary Lloyd, captain, Ruth Stevens, lieutenant, Bessie Jackson, guider, Norvalle Inwood, Betty Both, Dora Shier, Carol Baker, Joanne McNeil, Gwendolyn Dicks, Nadine Yearwood, Vera Levesque, Peggy Van Ness, Jane Knight, Lilian Cox, Violet Lloyd, Irene Hawley, Barbara Nicholson, Lauren Wood, Marlene Jerome, Audrey Freeburn, Theresa Jerome, Shirley Rosenplot, Marilyn Dicks, Barbara Renaud, Verna Rosenplot, Hilda Woodman, Marie Both, Wilda Miller, Phyllis Creighton, Edna Jackson, Helen Rosenplot and Joanne Wood. We cannot confirm which girls were members during which period of time or that there were not others that we haven't located. Mary Lloyd's sister, Vie Lloyd Hope was a constant supporter

of the troop and their activities. Many outings and gatherings have been recorded.

In February 1949 a study weekend for patrol leaders was held at Bill Dicks's cottage on Loon (Skootamatta) Lake. A special mention is made that his dog licked the dessert.

In June 1949 a special event with all the girls was held at Professor Jones's cottage for Bill Dicks in appreciation of his hosting the Patrol leaders' study session. The Jones cottage was on the west side of Loon Lake. From there the Guides were taken by Loon Lake Lodge ferries across Loon Lake and down the Skootamatta River to Flinton. (The proprietors of Loon Lake Lodge at the time were the Major Hope family from London). At Flinton Professor Jones took the girls on a Nature walk to the falls, the suspension bridge and to see an area that had been logged in the 1800s, a time period when logs had been driven down the Skootamatta River to reach mills in Belleville. After the hike, the boats returned the girls to the lake where Sandy Drysdale was waiting to take them home. (Mr. Drysdale often drove the Guides and helped set up or take down camp for them).

In July 1949 a few of the Guides from Northbrook visited the Ameliasburg Guides in Prince Edward County. They attended a "backwards supper" meaning that everyone wore their clothes backwards.



1st North Addington Girl Guide Patrol leaders grocery shopping in Northbrook for a study weekend on Loon Lake (renamed Skootamatta in the 1950s) February 1949. LtoR unknown, June Knight (Kaladar), Irene Hawley (Northbrook), Barbara Nicholson (Northbrook), unknown, Vera Levesque (Northbrook). *Photo: Mary Lloyd Johnson Album, CDHS flickr website.* 

In August 1949 their first summer camp was held on Hungry Bay, Mazinaw Lake on Bryce Brown's property. Brigadier General Ben Cunningham arranged for Canadian Army tents and camping supplies from army headquarters in Kingston, with the only cost being \$25.00 each way to pick up and return the tents which were left up for the Boy Scouts who came up the following week. The tents were set up for the girls by volunteers Keith and Ken Jackson, Freddie Drysdale and Bud Hawley (Boy Scout). They also had a 40ft Marquee tent that Shirley Hatch, special guest Girl Guide from Madoc put up with the help of Angus Spencer. They also set up a tent for Brownies. A total of 41 Girl Guides and some Brownies participated in this camp. For drinking water the girls walked to Brown's or Waldies' with pails; it was possible to keep the water cool in a shore high cache. (The Waldies owned Whippoorwill Lodge close by). Sometimes the Brown children joined the girls' activities. A hike to a nearby lake to watch logging in progress was exciting. They also watched planes landing on the lake as it was a common occurrence at that time.

In 1950 Merrill Denison gave the Girl Guides free use of his Bon Echo property. Ontario Provincial Police Constable Gordon Stout helped to convey a group of the girls to Bon Echo Park for a camp out. There were nine Girl Guides from Denbigh and nine from Northbrook, Flinton, Kaladar, Cloyne and Harlowe as well as six Guiders. Three Girl Guides from Madoc also visited. They were Joy Anne Fox, Joanne Holmes and Sylvia (no last name shown). Many parents visited during the campout and often brought treats. Mike Schwager (park staff) accompanied the girls on a hike to the top of Mazinaw Rock. They stopped along the way to pick blueberries. Driftwood gathering for campfires was a regular activity and if they had time they played water ball after supper and before campfire. A nurse company camping nearby often checked the girls for minor injuries such as cuts, slivers and insect bites. A health inspection was held during the camp at which they scored an A+. Later on in the summer a second Patrol Leaders Training weekend was held at Jean and Bill Dicks's cottage. Professor and Mrs. Jones along with their dog, Streba, motored across the lake to join them for a meal. On that weekend a guest Guide leader from England joined them. She was sister-in-law of County Sheriff Webster from Napanee.

Also in 1950 the girls decided to have a hot dog and



1st North Addington Girl Guide Patrol work crew participating in a Lennox & Addington tree planting ceremony near Flinton in 1950. LtoR 1. Laura Wood 2. Verna Rosenplot 3. Billy Creighton 4. Carole Baker 5. Phyllis Creighton 6. Joanne McNeill 7. Barbara Nicholson 8. Hilda Woodman 9. Shirley Rosenplot 10. Mary Lloyd - Captain. *Photo: Mary Lloyd Johnson Album, CDHS flickr website.* 

hamburger booth at a tree planting ceremony that was held below Flinton, sponsored by Lennox and Addington County. Several local people planted trees. Township Council supplied a booth but the Guides had to provide their own stove, generously donated by Mrs. Tom Killingbeck of Northbrook. Alf Northey of Northbrook loaned his truck. Mary Lloyd drove the truck down to Flinton and Howard Northey drove it back. The Guides ordered 200 lbs. of ground beef from Jim Freeburn's store in Flinton and he kindly kept it in his freezer for them. Not very much sold at the event and "we were ages getting rid of it" said the girls. From a stand outside the Flinton School during a strike to one outside the Northbrook Hotel, to another at a Cloyne Hall dance, they worked and sold.

In November, 1950 on a cold nasty wet day the Guides and Brownies, led by 16 year old Joan Huffman paraded to the Cenotaph in Flinton for the Veterans' Day Service. They attended the church service, after which they watched the unveiling of the memorial window in the library, dedicated to Neil Freeburn of Flinton who was killed in World War Two.

In February 1951 a joint Valentines party was held for Boy Scouts and Girl Guides. The party was open to all boys and girls of the area even if they weren't scouts or guides. It was hosted by Nora and Wilfred Lemke who offered their restaurant in Northbrook free of charge and even helped serve the food and organized some entertainment. Lunch was provided by parents. Queen of Hearts, Barbara Nicholson was crowned by Hilda Woodman and King of Hearts, Jackie Cox was crowned by Lloyd Hawley.

The bonds of friendship formed and the experiences of learning would have been invaluable life lessons for these young women.

Since this Company disbanded there have been a few start and end in this region: 1st Cloyne (Land o' Lakes) Guide Company February 1976 to November 1982, September 1991 to ? and July 1997 to August 2013, 1st Denbigh Guide Company, December 1949 to December 1953, 1st Northbrook (Land o' Lakes) Guide Company, June 1980 to Nov 1982. Much the same pattern is recorded for Sparks, Brownies, and Pathfinders during this time.

Special thanks to Katey Watson, Archivist Girl Guides of Canada, Ontario Council for statistics and to Margaret Axford, Cloyne Pioneer Museum curator for corroboration.

Photos and information from Mary Lloyd Johnson's collection which was donated to the Archives at the Cloyne Pioneer Museum. Some photos are in our flickr photo album at www.pioneermuseum.ca. *\** 

## We Need A Little Help! by Ian Brumell



The item pictured here is a miniature brass replica of a weapon known as a Halberd. A Halberd formed part of a common pole weapon used by foot soldiers in medieval times. They were generally made of forged steel and were mounted on a pole around 8 feet long and used by foot soldiers against armour-clad horse soldiers. They were formidable

weapons with a centre spear and curved projections on either side. The hooked side evidently deflected swords and could disarm enemies. The axe side and spear were the offensive weapons used by warriors. The item shown here is made of brass and was found in the Pioneer Cemetery in Cloyne approximately 30 years ago. Because of its size and the configuration of its base, it is known as a finial – meaning an element at the end of an object, usually as decoration, like the end of a curtain rod.

Since it was found in the cemetery, we feel that it could have been an ornamental element within the cemetery such as the top of a fence post or part of a gate.

Two questions haunt us: why would it be in the pioneer cemetery and what is the pattern that is shown? Halberds were highly decorated as can be seen if one searches for them on the Internet. This one shown here is decorated with a specific pattern and we wonder if anyone knows what it might represent or why the finial was at the cemetery in the first place.

I want to thank Don Brown for his assistance in tracking the description of this object down. 🌾



## 2015 Calendar Report by Wendy Hodgkin

The 2016 calendar focused on early jobs and businesses in the area and included fire control over the whole area, stores in Flinton, Northbrook, Cloyne and Denbigh, blacksmithing, lumbermen's summer picnic, mining for gold, a garage in Northbrook and a veteran of Vimy Ridge. It also included some entertainment with a shinny game and glimpse of summer time for the boy who became known as "The Lone Ranger".

There were 275 calendars ordered. Of this total about 43 were given to our advertisers and as gifts. We estimate that 167 were sold. Primarily due to the relocation of our key seller from previous years, we have about 65 left to sell this spring.

Income:	Calendar sales 167@\$15.00 Advertising 37@\$40.00	\$2505.00 <u>\$1480.00</u> \$3985.00
Expenses:	Software rental, printing	\$1112.00
Profit:		\$2873.00

# Filling in the Blanks

The cover photo in our 2015 Fall edition of the General Store in Flinton owned by Robert Wesley Kimmerly brought the following information.



Photo: Alkenbrack Album, CDHS flickr website

"The photo of the Kimmerly store in the Fall newsletter stated that the "location was unknown at this time". Perhaps we can add a bit to the history.

When my Mother moved to Flinton in 1939, this was Demore's store, having been sold to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Demore previous to that. After Mr. Demore passed away, it continued to be operated by his wife and their son Gerald. When Gerald became ill (mid 1960s?) the store was closed and eventually the building was purchased by a Tweed businessman, Hazen Trites who converted it to apartments. On January 20, 1978 the building caught fire. The owner was trying to thaw frozen pipes with a blowtorch. John Bolton was fire chief at the time, and according to his fire diary, the flames were already licking up the front of the frame structure when the department arrived. There was a very strong wind blowing, and within 30 minutes the roof had collapsed. The tenants of the building escaped but nothing was saved.

The lot sat vacant for some time, and then was purchased by Arthur & Rieta Freeburn and a new store was built. They later sold to Dwayne & Donna Thibault. When the Northbrook IGA opened, it was not viable to operate a grocery store in Flinton, and the business closed. The building was purchased by Bruce Kellar and today operates as a church called "Through the Roof Ministry".

Of interest to the history, the book "Village on the Skoot" indicates that a "dressmaker/millinery business" operated

for many years in an upstairs apartment in the original building (1920s-1930s) During my years at Flinton Continuation School an out-of-town school teacher rented this apartment.

Looking at the original survey plan of the village of Flinton (I believe the museum has a copy of this), the location of the store was Lot #67 Holton Street at the corner of Edward Street & Holton. The book "Village on the Skoot" does indicate "Holden Street" but this could have been an error in transcribing early notes. Holton Street is now called Flinton Road."

John & Elaine Bolton 🕷



We have identified almost all of the girl guides on the cover of our 2015 Spring newsletter.

The man driving the truck is Sandy Drysdale who lived in the home where Wannamaker's Store is now located. #2 – Mary Lloyd Johnson, captain.

#3 – Marlene Jerome (Hall) a cousin of Elaine Bolton.

#4 – Audrey Freeburn (Ray Weese), sister-in-law of Rita Freeburn.

- #5 Theresa Jerome (Craig) sister of Marlene.
- #6 Joanne McNeil.
- #7 Shirley Rosenplot.
- #9 Marilyn Dicks (Mack Salmond).
- #11 Barbara Renaud (Thompson).
- #12 Verna Rosenplot (Clifford Wood).
- #13 Hilda Woodman (Davis).
- #16 Phyllis Creighton.

This photo has been viewed over 14,000 times on flickr. *Photo: Mary Lloyd Johnson Album, CDHS flickr website.* 

# Annual Report of the Patrons Committee for 2015

This has been another successful year for our museum with visitor numbers up again from the previous year. Our patrons continue to play an important role in making this possible.

The total number of patrons for 2015 was 79 and this provided fee income of \$1,975. In addition we received very generous donations amounting to \$4,805, while expenses for postage and stationery amounted to \$379.84.

In response to a letter sent out in the fall inviting 2015 patrons to renew for 2016, we had received 43 applications as of the 14th of March. A reminder will be sent later in the spring to those who have not replied.



LtoR: At our Christmas luncheon Carol Lessard won the log reindeer handcrafted and donated by Don Patry. Kyle Campbell (L) and brother Andrew (R) joined Warren Anderson on the CDHS float in the Santa Claus Parade held in Northbrook. *Photos: Ian Brumell* 



Family Day corresponded to our February meeting so we invited friends and warmed them with music, stories, poetry and a bowl of soup. Top LtoR: Al Kitching on clarinet (and sax) accompanied Elinor Duncan on piano. Gordon Sparks and Grace Kenny joined them in song. Glenn Davison entertained with stories of growing up in Flinton. Bottom LtoR: Sandra Sparks ordering her soup from Warren Anderson, Eileen Flieler and Marcella Neely. Before the March AGM a local ukulele group sang and played for our entertainment. *Photos: Ken and Cathy Hook* 

#### Gordon R. Sparks, Convenor 🔻



LtoR: Gillian McDonald (L) and Bridget Rusk performed Highland dancing at our Burns Supper January 23rd. *Photo: D'thea Webster.* Mark Rowe piped in the haggis. *Photo: Red Emond.* 

# 2017 Calendar

Watch for our 2017 Heritage Calendar featuring gentlemen of the area. Available this summer for purchase at the museum or through our online book store at

## www.cloynepioneermuseum.ca

## \$15.00

We still have a few copies of our 2016 Calendar available which features Historical Businesses.

# **Events - 2016**

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## May

Meeting of the CDHS Monday May 16, 1PM Barrie Hall – Cloyne

Norm Ruttan, brings tales of old Glastonbury, and the many older families who lived in the area.

#### Mammoth Yard Sale Saturday May 21, 9AM Barrie Hall – Cloyne Save your gently used items.



# June

Cloyne Pioneer Museum and Archives Opening and BBQ Saturday June 25, 11AM

Featuring the Pickled Chicken String Band. Bring your lawn chair.

## Day-Trip Sunday June 26

The Historical Society will be carpooling to the Gaeltacht in Tamworth to partake in the largest festival of singing and dancing outside of Ireland. Bring your lawn chair. For information, contact Carolyn at 613-336-6858.

## July

## Pot-Luck Lunch Monday July 18, 12 NOON

Members are invited to a pot-luck lunch in Northbrook at the home of D'thea Webster and Maureen O'Neill.

# September to November

Meeting of the CDHS Barrie Hall – Cloyne Monday, 1PM September 19, October 17, November 21 General Meeting – Everyone welcome

Cloyne Pioneer Museum and Archives Open Daily from 10AM – 4PM June 25 to September 5