

# The Pioneer Times

NEWS VEHICLE OF THE CLOYNE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



This summer come and experience the Pioneer Museum. Our collections, both in artefacts and documents, reflect the history of this area beginning from settlement times in the 1850s, with emphasis on pioneer life, mining, logging, and tourism. *Photo: Cathy Hook, 2016*

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## President's Message

Hello Everyone! It is so nice to greet the arrival of spring and the end of most of the restrictions we have lived with for the past two years. I am looking forward to April 25th when we have our first general meeting since COVID-19 arrived. Many of you will be picking up a copy of this newsletter that day and others will read it online or receive it by mail.

Many things that have happened this winter will be reported in other places in the newsletter so my message will be short. We are having a "Book & Trunk Sale" on May 21st which will replace our previous Yard Sales. We hope to see everyone there.

We are planning a one time only exhibit in the museum focused on the musician's from the local Hall of Fame. We hope you will enjoy this along with our many other exhibits.

Have a wonderful summer!

Shirley Sedore, President ❀



## Treasurer's Report – Spring 2022

As a new season for the Historical Society approaches, we look forward to welcoming visitors to our Museum in Cloyne. We hope that they will bring with them questions, information and a desire to learn more about our area which will fulfill the desire and the 'Raison d'être' of the Society. Along with this, we hope that our visitors will be inclined to visit the gift area and help to endow our Museum by obtaining some of the merchandise we have for sale.

With this in mind and looking back over the past year we have seen sales at the Museum and elsewhere in excess of \$3,500, even with the COVID-19 crisis that has haunted many tourist-type establishments. These sales have been through an expanded service with Amazon (the Oxen and the Axe), online sales through our website and by a local market set up by the Lion's club in Northbrook. Our hope is that this trend will continue into the coming season.

The CDHS Endowment Fund in 2021 at year end attained a value of just over \$101,000 which will endow the Society in 2022 with \$3,350 for use as general revenue. In 2021 the interest obtained from the Fund was \$3,275. This Fund is held by the Community Foundation for Lennox and Addington (CFFLA) through which we were also privileged to help sponsor a grant for the local Lion's club through the CFFLA. This was a 'flow-through' grant which cost the CDHS nothing, but allowed the Lion's to enhance the great work they do for the community.

Along with the revenues mentioned here and as you will see from the Financial Reports in this publication, we have received substantial revenues from various granting organizations to be used for a new website design. This process is outlined by Ken Hook elsewhere in this newsletter.

In the summer of 2021, both the Federal agencies, Young Canada Works and Canada Summer Jobs programmes continued to contribute to the employment of three students for the summer months and for one of them into last Fall. In addition to these granting agencies, we were privileged once again to receive some funding from the two local Townships; North Frontenac and Addington Highlands, both of whom have been assisting our Society in various ways for many years.

The Provincial Government provided us with their annual Heritage Organization Development Grant (HODG) of \$1,545 which has been with us for years and certainly assists in the general operation of the Society, in particular with the small shortfall in student employment funds supplied by the funding agencies.

All in all, with the COVID-19 crisis we have endured over the past couple of years, our finances have done quite well, mostly due to grants, financial market growth and dedication by the volunteers of the Society. With the Museum probably being open for a full season in 2022, the hopeful return of Museum visitors and the opening up of travel, our finances will continue to cause the Society to flourish into the future.

If there are any questions regarding the financial activities of the CDHS, please don't hesitate to contact us through email at <pioneer@mazinaw.on.ca>

Ian Brumell, Treasurer. 🌿 Financial Report Page 5

## Museum Report

Preparations for the Museum opening for 2022 have begun. Hiring summer staff and plans for a music theme are underway. The target is to open for visitors at the end of June, just like it used to!

Even though things have been bumpy the past couple of years there have been changes and additions to the collection including – new shed on the north side is housing extra artefacts, allowing room to move inside; twig furniture made by brothers Charlie, Pete Bey and Mike Schwager in the 1920s, sits next to a very old chair and other artefacts made by Atewennarikhon (Johnny Bey) that have been in the museum for some time; old fiddles and a banjo from the Lessard family were a wonderful donation made last year; a series of pen and ink drawings show some of the area's buildings by Carla Miedema and the Mazinaw-Gilmour Tramway.

Please come to check out the old and new this summer, we would love to see you back!

Wendy Hodgkin, Museum Committee 🌿

## Patrons Report

This past year has still been difficult for us to get together, due to COVID-19 restrictions, but our Patrons, old and new, continue to support us with membership fees and generous donations. To date, we have 27 Patrons and 22 Patron memberships. This is down over past years, but we hope that interest will increase when we can get to whatever the "new normal" turns out to make possible for the Museum and CDHS.

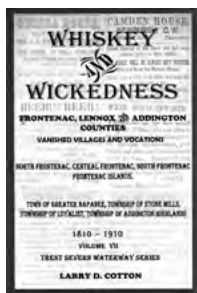
Catherine Grant, Patrons Committee 🌿

## Bookstore Report

Our Bookstore had a banner year. The Northbrook Lions Club invited us to display and sell our books at their hall. 80% of our sales took place at the eight events that were held there in 2021, 17% were sold in the Museum, and 3% were sold online.

Larry D. Cotton has written over 25 books about the integral use of alcohol in almost every pioneer activity.





He has appeared both on CBC's Ontario Morning Show and CTV's Discovery Channel. Scouring newspapers and archives from the period 1810 to 1910, he has found some fascinating tales of the wild behaviour in our area. His new release, (over 400 pages) *Whiskey and Wickedness Frontenac, Lennox &*

*Addington Counties* is available at The Bookstore and sells for \$28.00.

The ever popular *The Oxen and the Axe* had its 6th printing just in time for the summer. Hopefully, this expenditure (\$1,337.70 for 100 books) will last us for a few more years.

We were also able to locate and replenish *Massanoga The Art of Bon Echo* for your reading pleasure

Look for another long-awaited printing of *The Village on the Skoot* by Wilfred Laurier Lessard, sometime in the near future.

If you cannot make it into the Museum to examine our offerings go to our sparkling new website [www.cloynepioneermuseum.ca](http://www.cloynepioneermuseum.ca) where you will see all our books displayed with descriptions. If you live locally, you may save the postage by calling Carolyn at 613 336-6858.

Carolyn McCulloch ✨

## Flickr Gallery – Part of Our Digital Archive

Our main Flickr site [www.flickr.com/photos/cdhs](http://www.flickr.com/photos/cdhs) is going strong with over 1,700 photos, videos and documents online. Since we joined the Flickr Commons in 2013, we have received over 4.7 million views – an average of over 1,500 views per day! Our most viewed photo continues to be the Northbrook Girl Guides by Mary Lloyd Johnson with 47,168 views. Second, is the Clayton Moore Family on Loon Lake, 1925 with 21,091 views, in the Alfred Ross Osborne Album.

Do you have photos to contribute to our Flickr site? We carefully scan your photos and return them to you. Your photos are placed in a digital album with your name. Contact: [kenhook@gmail.com](mailto:kenhook@gmail.com) 613-336-3211.



Clayton Moore played the Lone Ranger on TV from 1949-1957. The Moore family enjoyed many summers at their cottage on Loon Lake (now Skootamatta). We are unsure which boy in the photo is Jack (Clayton).  
*Alfred Ross Osborne Album*

## New! Flickr Cemeteries – For Family History

The new Flickr Cemetery site [www.flickr.com/photos/cdhs-cemeteries](http://www.flickr.com/photos/cdhs-cemeteries) contains over 1,105 photos with many more to be added this year. This site may prove useful for anyone interested in local family history. All



photos can be downloaded in the original size. Plus, the site has an excellent search engine for finding family names. To date, all the graves from Dempsey, Cloyne Pioneer, Harlowe, Northbrook, Vennachar, and Denbigh have been photographed and indexed. Albums have been created so a viewer can search within a particular cemetery or all cemeteries currently indexed.

This memorial stone is in Dempsey Cemetery. There is no date. We believe the inscription says Caroline Megarry. *Dempsey Cemetery Album*

Correction: The Pioneer Times Volume 19 Page 10 (printed version). Louise and Henry Hogg bought Pine Crest Villa and changed the name to Pine Crest Marina. They in turn sold it to Ina Newman's granddaughter, Kelly who is married to Adam Snider. The Sniders no longer own it.

# Cloyne and District Historical Society Financial Statements to 31 December, 2021

## Profit & Loss

<u>Revenue</u>	
<b>Historical Society Income - 4-1000</b>	
Misc & Museum Donations	\$1,896.95
Other Donations	\$1,889.51
Federal Gov't Grants	\$15,937.89
Provincial Grants	\$1,545.00
Municipal Grants	\$1,000.00
Petty Cash	\$50.00
Endowment Fund Interest	\$3,275.00
Membership	\$10.00
Calendar Sales	\$1,985.00
Other Item Sales	\$208.00
Book Sales	\$1,812.25
Calendar Advertising	\$1,440.00
Special Events	—
– Books@Market	\$413.00
– Lion's CFFLA Grant	\$2,000.00
Website Redo - Grants	\$16,350.00
Patrons	\$750.00
Endowment donations	\$300.00
Misc & Interest	\$20.27
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$50,882.87</b>

<u>Expenses</u>	
<b>Historical Society Expenses - 6-0000</b>	
Accounting & Office Services	\$484.53
Meeting Expense	\$271.20
Bank charges	\$5.00
Utilities - Hydro, etc.	\$1,090.42
Outside Services	\$75.00
Postage & Shipping	\$44.53
Office Expenses	\$106.27
Petty Cash	\$50.00
Museum Grounds Expense	\$576.64
Artifacts purchase/refurbish	\$125.00
Archival supplies/expenses	\$546.38
Insurance	\$2,462.40
Calendar expense	\$1,078.08
Book Purchases	\$2,333.64
Special Events - Lion's CFFLA	\$2,000.00
– Books@Market	\$90.00
Website Redo - Expenses	\$2,550.00
Patron Expense	\$173.83
Professional Memberships	\$362.25
Endowment Transfers	\$300.00
Misc. Expense	\$99.94
Museum Wages & Salaries	\$18,273.80
Museum Payroll Expenses	\$1,324.98
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$34,423.89</b>

<b>Communications Committee - 6-3000</b>			
Advertising & Promo			\$0.78
Website Expense			\$69.02
Newsletter Expense			\$243.51
Signage			\$1,227.65
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$1,540.96</b>

### Equipment Expense - 6-1200

Office equip/fixtures	\$723.50
Computer/peripherals	192.09
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$915.59</b>

## Balance Sheet

<u>Assets</u>	
<b>Current Assets</b>	
Bank Account	\$15,986.34
Reserve Fund	\$10,953.23
Inventory	\$2,050.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,989.57</b>

### Fixed Assets

Buildings & Property	\$155,000.00
Display fixtures	\$7,404.00
Computer & Hardware	\$3,500.00
Office Equipment	\$4,000.00
Other Equipment	\$1,555.00
Museum Artifacts	\$23,000.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$194,459.00</b>

<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$223,448.57</b>
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### Liabilities & Equity

Payroll liability	33.82
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### Equity

CDHS Equity	\$90,304.63
Opening Balance Equity	\$58,738.59
Retained Earnings	\$60,369.10
Net Income	\$14,002.43
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$223,414.75</b>

<b>Total Liability &amp; Equity</b>	<b>\$223,448.57</b>
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## Notes

- Inventory consists of copies of unsold books, calendars and other sales items.
- The Cloyne and District Historical Society Endowment Fund ended the year with a value of **\$101,716**.



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## New CDHS Website Launched!

On March 31st the new CDHS website launched. The project started in February 2021 when a Request for Proposal was issued by the Board of Directors to determine interest in developing the new website. Several responses were received with Amplify Marketing and Communications of Harrowsmith being the successful vendor. Numerous grant applications were submitted to fund the development of the site. We were fortunate to receive funding specifically for this project from the Ontario Trillium Foundation, Fed Dev, and the Township of North Frontenac.

A website committee was formed (Catherine Grant, Elspeth McCulloch, Carolyn McCulloch, Ian Brumell, Wendy Hodgkin, and Ken Hook) that met several times over the fall and winter via Zoom to give direction to the website developers.

Our previous website was over a decade old which in terms of technology is an eternity. Built with code by John Conrad, the website served us well. Improvements in website design over the years have allowed us to provide a better visitor experience.

Highlights of our new website:

- The new site is responsive (mobile friendly). No matter what kind of device you use (smartphone, tablet, or desktop) the website automatically adapts for optimum viewing.
- An accessibility plug-in allows visitors to increase the text size, contrast, and even increase the size of the cursor.
- The site has an SSL certificate affixed to the domain meaning the site is secure and safe for the transfer of information, such as email addresses.
- A WordPress platform has been adopted to build the site making editing easy. No software to build or maintain the site is required. Files are stored 'in the cloud'.
- A better online bookstore was created which presents our books more attractively.
- Membership and patron applications can be filled out and paid for online. Membership applications can also be downloaded and submitted by mail.



- For the first time, all of our CDHS Calendars are online and easily searched via the search bar. Newsletters back to 2003 are online as well as other Research Resources.
- A minutes archive is available which is also searchable.
- For the first time we have a blog. This is where events, notices, and interesting historical items are

shared. Blog posts are easily shared on our other social media such as Facebook and Instagram.

- Links to our social media sites are easily found: Flickr, YouTube, Facebook, and Instagram.

This state-of-the-art website will serve us for many years to come!

Ken Hook, Webmaster 🌸

## Lu and Cas Thompson

from the 2008 Heritage Calendar – March

*On the new website under the Archives Tab you will find a valuable historical resource – all the calendars from 2007 to 2020.*

A prominent Northbrook couple, Casber and Lulu Thompson owned the general store in Northbrook for 34 years before selling it to A. E. Northey. Born at Harlowe, the son of William Thompson and Alice Hillier, Cas married Lulu Pyke of Wolfe Island. They had two children, a daughter Velva and a son, Hillier. Hillier, also known as Jake, was a pilot who flew with the RAF Ferry Command in WWII. The flying strip in Northbrook near Pine Meadow Nursing Home was built by his father, to facilitate visits home. A post-war career flying out of Edmonton on the DEW Line ended in tragedy when he was killed in a flying accident in the mid 1950s.



The headstone for Casber, Lulu, and Hillier (Jake) Thompson is in the Northbrook Cemetery.

*Northbrook Cemetery Album*



The C. C. Thompson Variety Store in 1938 when it operated as a Red & White. It was located where the Foodland parking lot now sits. *Richard and Olive Hook Album*. Cas and Lulu Thompson, unknown date. *Georgina Hughes Album*



# Hillier (Jake) Thompson

from the Ontario Intelligencer (Belleville), March 9, 1938 under City and District News

*In March of 1938 Jake Thompson flew to Florida to visit his sister Velva who was spending the winter in St. Petersburg.*  
<https://bit.ly/3unToB0>

## Northbrook Flyer Has Exciting Time On Trip to Florida

How Hillier Thompson of Northbrook, owner of a cub plane purchased from Leavens Brothers formerly of this city, and now of Barker Field, Toronto, managed the trip with his machine from Bancroft to Florida recently has been told in letters received by district relatives.

Thompson, youthful aviator, who learned his flying at the Kingston Flying Club, started off from Bancroft on

skis. He changed to wheels at Kingston, cleared the United States customs at Cape Vincent, refuelled at Syracuse, managed to get off his route to Albany N. Y., and finally landed at Endicott, N. Y. to end the first day's flying.

The second day found him in a dense fog near Sunbury, Pennsylvania, and he was forced into a landing in a ploughed field. No damage was experienced. Later he took off, reached the Washington Army Field, and landed there, despite regulations which prohibit private planes flying from or landing on governmental field. Fol-

lowing a stormy reception, army aviators, realizing he was an amateur Canadian flyer, supplied maps and assistance and sent him on his way.

Thompson, James Maxwell, and plane, finally landed at St. Petersburg, Florida, their objective, safely. Here they were met by Mr. Thompson's sister who was spending the winter there. Last week the two local aviators flew to Orlando, Fla. for an air meet, received the key of the city and were feted as welcome guests. They were expected to start their northern journey for home this week.



Jake Thompson (on the right) purchased a small plane and barnstormed throughout Canada and the US. This picture was taken in 1941. The airstrip was built by his father, Casber east of Northbrook on the Lloyd farm, close to where Pine Meadow Nursing home was later built.

Mary Lloyd Johnson was the photographer. Her niece, Mary Forbes, nee Hope, rescued a photo collection from her aunts home after her death. This home is located

immediately north of the Northbrook Hotel. Mary Forbes gave the photos to CDHS members John and Elaine Bolton for scanning to Flickr. Mary Forbes is the daughter of the late Vi Hope, a previous owner of the Pine Grove Motel in Northbrook and sister to Mary Lloyd Johnson. Mary Forbes now lives in Hastings, Ontario and is a member of the Hastings Historical Society.

Mary Lloyd Johnson donated a large slide collection to The Cloyne Museum & Archives and John and Elaine Bolton, this past winter, viewed them with a hand-held viewer and photos with historical significance were scanned and added to the Mary Lloyd Johnson Album. John provided additional historic information about Jake Thompson along with the news clipping (next page) from 1955. John remembers as a young lad sitting on the rock ridge on the back side of the cemetery and watching the funeral. Listen to John's audio recollection. <https://bit.ly/3xgVww5>



# Capt. H. (Jake) Thompson Killed Near Edmonton on Saturday When Giant Air Freighter Crashed

## Northbrook Flier Had Visited Nearly Every Country In The World

### INTERMENT TODAY

#### Took The First Bomber Across The Pacific Ocean

News of the sudden death of Captain Hillier H. (Jake) Thompson, when a plane was wrecked north of Edmonton, Alberta, on Saturday, was a shock to the people of this district, particularly those living in the Northbrook area. He was one of Canada's best-known fliers and during his career, extending over the past twenty years, he had travelled to almost every country in the world. At the time of his death he was employed by "Defence Early Warning", an organization set up by the Canadian and American governments, to fortify our Arctic regions. The plane, owned by Associated Airways of Edmonton, crashed when engine trouble developed after taking off on a 600-mile flight to Yellowknife, N.W.T. Also killed was the co-pilot, Kenneth J. Hutt, of Vancouver. Four other members of the crew were badly injured. A party organized by the R.C.M.P., had to get a tractor to pull rescue vehicles through the heavy mud. One wing was torn from the \$300,000 plane.

Captain "Jake" Thompson was born at Northbrook, 40 years ago a son of the late Casber and Mrs. Thompson. After attending school in that village and in Tweed, he assisted his parents in their general store, and then became inter-

ested in flying. He purchased a small plane and barn-stormed throughout Canada and the United States. He took his first flying lessons at Leavens' Brothers Barker Field in Toronto, and afterwards graduated from Crumlin training school at London, qualifying for the Ferry Command. His record included more than 55 crossings of the Atlantic Ocean with the R.A.F.

He was the first Canadian to fly the Pacific Ocean with a big bomber, and his initial flight to Australia, saw him skirting a bevy of Japanese fighting planes off New Guinea. His career in flying, was so extensive, that it is possible to touch only on the highlights in this limited space. In his earlier days in the air, he maintained communications between Pelee Island and the mainland, and his little plane was a frequent visitor to Northbrook, where his father constructed a small air-field for him. During his Ferry Command days, he had many narrow escapes and his experiences earned him the name of "Lucky" Thompson, among his colleagues. On one trip to Australia, it was necessary for him to fly as low as 500 feet, owing to the existing cloud banks. He took dozens of planes to North Africa, travelled across that great continent many times, and became almost a legend in world flying circles. He was a great friend of Jimmy Mollison and "Duke" Schiller, two men whose names are so well-known in aviation.

After the war, he was in business with his wife in Toronto, but the urge to fly was too great and he joined various commercial enterprises as a pilot. For some time, he has been flying out of Edmonton with "DEW".

When fate intervened we have an idea Capt. "Jake" Thompson died the way he would have wished—at the controls of a big plane. No one knew more of the dangers of flying, and he was well aware, that only seven pilots of the original class of 45 graduating at London, were still living. The story of his life in the air will be presented in "Week End" published in Montreal, at an early date. In 1949, he was married in Hamilton, by Rev. Crawford Scott, to the former Helen Gray. With their two children,



Captain "Jake" Thompson

they have been living in Toronto since that time. Sympathy is extended to his widow, to his mother, Mrs. Casber Thompson, of Northbrook, and his sister and his great pal, Mrs. Philip Merry (Velva), of Cincinnati, Ohio. His father passed away suddenly in April of this year.

The late "Jake" Thompson made a legion of friends in his travels, throughout almost every part of the world. He was possessed of a most cheerful disposition. Despite the fact, that he had stories of a hundred tingling ad-

ventures at his fingertips, he was not one to talk about them. His record, as a flier, was a most outstanding one, and he permitted it to speak for itself. The remains reached Toronto on Tuesday where they rested at the A. W. Miles Funeral Chapel, until Wednesday afternoon. The funeral was held at Rosedale United Church, yesterday afternoon, with the pastor, Rev. MacGregor Grant, having charge of the service. From Toronto, the cortege proceeded to Northbrook this morning, where interment was

made in the family plot today. F. V. Wakeling was in charge of the service at the grave-side.

Hundreds of sorrowing friends of "Jake" and his family were in attendance at the services in Toronto, and at Northbrook. Two representatives from the R.A.F. in England, flew to Canada for the funeral, while the R.C.A.F. was represented by several Ottawa officers. Captain Thompson is gone, but his memory will remain with those who knew him well, for a long time to come.

More about names mentioned in the above article:

Mollison was a Scottish aviator who with his wife, Amy Johnson, set many aviation records during the 1930s. <https://bit.ly/3LRgUfA>

In a 1943 obituary, a New York Times article referred to Duke Schiller as "the country's best pilot".

<https://bit.ly/3jGdUa1> <https://bit.ly/378ktPQ>

The Leavens brothers grew up on a farm near Belleville. They started their flying careers as barnstormers but eventually set up a flying school out of Barker Field in Toronto. The school, in 1938, was the biggest flying school in Canada. In the 1940s they trained RCAF pilots. Leavens Aviation became a seller, distributor and manufacturer of aircraft and parts. Leavens Aviation ceased operations in 2011, after 84 years in business.

<https://cahf.ca/leavens-aviation-inc/>



The Leavens brothers have a link to Bon Echo. In the book *Bon Echo – The Denison Years*, Mary Savigny writes about the declining years of the Inn: "A modest but much more practical scheme to offset some of the expenses was renting the Inn, the White House and the Manager's House as a boy's camp. Following that venture, three brothers from Belleville, Clair, Walter and Arthur Leavens, who were then in aviation and later boat building, re-opened the Inn. It was during their tenure, on September 16, 1936, that the Inn burned. Struck by lightning during a severe thunderstorm, the wooden structure, decorated with birch bark columns, staircase, bedsteads and tables, burned to the ground in a short time. Fortunately no one was badly injured, but the two remaining guests and the staff lost all their clothing and personal possessions. The estimated loss was \$25,000, only partly covered by Merrill's insurance."



Bon Echo Inn was a wood structure with some interior walls lined in birch bark and many interior structures made of birch logs. *CDHS Archives Album*.

## CDHS members create award winning dioramas! by Carolyn McCulloch

One of our CDHS members, Dave Deacon is also a member of the Ontario Model Soldier Society. This group enjoys everything to do with toy soldiers and military modelling. Each year in June this toy soldier group hosts a show where members display their collections, dioramas and modelling that members have been working on in their spare time. Trudy and Dave Deacon create dioramas of Dave's toy soldiers collection. The dioramas display battles or in the case of this year's display, the Deacons have been working with a collection of indigenous woodland and plains tribes from our location. Dave entitles the diorama, "Tribal Alliance". It depicts woodland Algonquin, Ojibwa and Cree meeting and sharing culture with the prairie Blackfoot, Lakota Sioux, Dakota and Assiniboine. Dave and Trudy have won "First Place" and "Best of Show" a number of times and hope to place among the winners again this year.

This year's toy soldier show is will be held in the Canadian Legion, Branch 643, located at 110 Jutland Road, Toronto (Etobicoke), M8Z 2H1. It will take place on Sunday, June 12th, 2022 from 10am to 4pm. Admission to the show is just \$5.00 and children under 12 are free. There may be as many as 50 - 75 displays in the show. All are welcome, so

if you're in Toronto on that date, come to the toy soldier show. Who knows you may wish to start collecting!

Good luck, Dave and Trudy. We look forward to seeing the pictures of your final entry.

# ON PARADE 2022

*Presented by the*  
**Ontario Model Soldier Society**

**Sunday June 12  
2022**

**10 am to 4 pm**  
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## We lose friends

Gwen Meraw  
January 15, 2022



A faithful and hard-working volunteer, Gwen Meraw, died on Jan 15, 2022, at her family home on Lake Kashwakamak.

Gwen was usually the first to arrive and the last to leave our fundraising events. A retired teacher, she brought joyful spontaneity and life to our meetings. Because of her encouragement, some of us learned new

research skills at The Family History Conference in Belleville. She attended our bus trips with enthusiasm and loved to learn every new detail of local tales.

Personality traits may be inherited. The Museum was very fortunate to have Gwen's granddaughter, Sienna Meraw, as an employee in the summer of 2018, before she entered Engineering at Queen's University.

Gwen divided and transplanted the perennials that are directly under the large front window at the Museum. We shall remember her as we watch them flourish there.

Carolyn McCulloch



# BOOK & TRUNK SALE



The CDHS is holding its first-ever *Book and Trunk Sale* at the Barrie Community Hall in Cloyne on Saturday, May 21st, of the May long weekend. The sale will run from 10 AM to 4 PM. The *Book Sale* will be inside the hall.

The parking area will accommodate up to 25 vendor vehicles, so it is suggested you book your spot early. The cost is \$15 per vehicle. You must be registered, and your spot paid for one week before the event. The contact person is Janet Wilson, email: [sun4janet@gmail.com](mailto:sun4janet@gmail.com) or Facebook - messenger or you can call 613-480-5278 or cell 613-273-0125.

Vendors should prepare for weather and bugs and may bring a small pop-up tent or tarp and set up a dry display area at the back of their vehicle. We ask you to please tidy up before leaving and take garbage and unsold items home with you.

There will be a BBQ and drinks available for purchase, and entertainment featuring Coop de Ville in the morning and Highway 41 in the afternoon.

**Volunteers are needed to work at the *Book Sale* inside the hall.**

## Events - 2022

### General Meeting Dates

General Meetings are held the 3rd Monday of the month, 1 PM at the Barrie Community Hall in Cloyne. We find that sometimes things change between the time of printing of our Newsletter and our meetings and with COVID-19 continuing to have an impact, we suggest you check our website to confirm meeting dates, times and speakers ahead of time.

<https://pioneer.mazinaw.on.ca/>

**May 16**

**June 20**

**September 19**

**October 17**

**November 21**

### May

**Book and Trunk Sale**

**Saturday May 21, 10 AM – 4 PM**

**Barrie Community Hall – Cloyne**

Hope to see you there !

**Meeting of the CDHS**

**Monday May 16, 1PM**

**Barrie Community Hall – Cloyne**

### June – September

**Cloyne Pioneer Museum and Archives**

**Open Daily from 10AM – 4PM**

**End of June to September 5**