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Society Newsletter

Port Hope Resident showcased his large collection of self-made WWI models of aircraft at the PHDHS Heritage Fair Sunday, May 4, 2014

Remi Marsan spent all his spare time when not working in the mining industry, creating models of the type of aircraft used by the several countries in the “war to end all wars.”

He was born in Hileybury, Ontario and spent his working years in Baie-Comeau, Quebec. He moved to Port Hope in 2008. He has three children, a son and two daughters,

the oldest living in Port Hope. Over the years he has built hundreds of models of the war planes from all countries involved in the conflict. If you want to know who killed the “Red Baron” Remi is as good a source as anyone to ask. No one apparently knows for sure who it was, but Remi is knowledgeable about the mystery from all fronts..



Images of the crucial role played by the forgotten warriors of World War I - the four legged ones *

While 10 million men would be killed in the carnage of the war, the casualty rate was proportionately much higher among the “warhorses” of which some eight million perished on all sides. Of the million horses that left Britain for the Western Front, just 60,000 returned. In the first year of the war the countryside was emptied of shire horses and riding ponies, a heart-breaking prospect for farming families, who saw their beloved animals requisitioned by the

government. The main source for the constant supply of horses was the United States. Between 1914 and 1917 around 1,000 horses were sent by ship from the US every day. They were a constant target for German naval attack.



Simon Butler & Rex Features

The photo shows a supply cart and one of its horses sunk in the deadly mud.



President's report



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A special "Thank You" to all the volunteers who helped during the Heritage Fair held at the Lion's Recreation Centre, Port Hope on Sunday May 4, 2014 in memory of WWI.

Thank you to everyone who attended, who along with the 22 exhibitors and their interesting displays, focusing mainly on World War I, made it a great success. I want to say again, a very special thank you to everyone who participated.

I want to particularly thank Rick Norlock and Rob Milligan who took time out of their busy schedules to attend. The presence of our politicians is always a boost for our local organization.

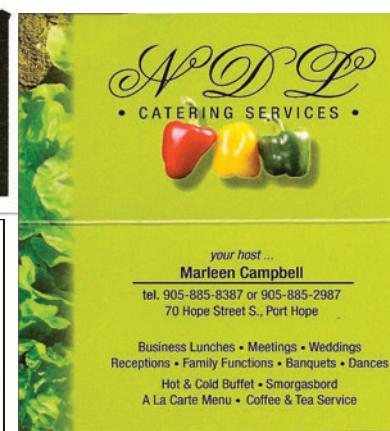
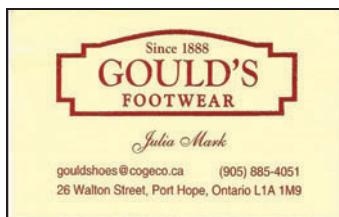
Congratulations to those who won a draw prize of 11 draws made, one which was donated by Railside Restaurant and two donated by the Port Hope Public Library. Many thanks!

Don't forget the Huge Fundraiser Yard sale at DHM in Garden Hill, June 21, 22, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.. All proceeds go to support the Museum. If anyone has items to donate to the sale, it would be very much appreciated. See contact numbers on page four if you have any questions..

Finally, a friendly reminder that the Annual General Meeting and Show & Tell is fast approaching this month, Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 7 p.m. and will be held at the GRCA Meeting Room, Hwy #28, Port Hope. Hope to see you there. Many thanks.

Joan Ashby Parrott

President



PHDHS Remembers World War I [1914 -1918]



We will Remember

One of Many Port Hope Men Who Died in France During World War I



Charles Henry Staples was born July 28, 1892 in Port Hope and died on the 27th of July 1918 in France. His Regimental Number was 805,633. He enlisted in Port Hope on the 22nd of March in 1916 with the 136th Battalion. He was wounded at Vimy Ridge on 12th of April 1917 and died July 27, 1918. He was buried in the British Cemetery in Anzin, France.

Charles was unmarried and the son of Joseph Henry Staples and Annie Lucinda Courrier and brother of Stanley Joseph Staples. Prior to his enlistment he was a butcher. At the time of his death, he was a Private in the Manitoba Regiment of the Canadian Infantry fighting in France.

Have you any news of my boy Jack?

Not this tide.

When d'you think he'll come back?

Not with this wind blowing, and this tide.

Poet Rudyard Kipling [Mourning the death and unknown whereabouts of his son John]

World War I Nursing Sisters of Old Durham County

[Title of upcoming book by Sher Leetooze] According to Leetooze, a PHDHS member, the nursing staff on the front not only was tied with the responsibility of nursing the wounded back to health, but for those who didn't recover, they had the responsibility of burying them and tending their graves. Sixteen names are listed below, but there are more:

Winifred Alward, Morna Duckett Williams Brunton, Annie Copeland, Emma Frances Elliott, Josephine Elizabeth Grant, Margaret Dorothy Grant, Victoria Alberta Stewart Grant, Harriet Hudspeth, Ada Andrews Kemp, Marion Etta McLean, Myrtle MacMillan, Edith Elgin McNaughton, Mary McNaughton, Emma Elizabeth Murton, Annie Lois Small, Pearl Edna Wood. [Photo and info courtesy Sher Leetooze].



Events Calendar 2014

Public meetings will be scheduled on basis of opportunity and when needed. Such meetings will be held at the Ganaraska Conservation Authority Meeting Room, 2216 Hwy 28 North, Port Hope, ON

**Wed. May 21, 2014
Annual General Meeting
[AGM] at GRCA Meeting Room, HWY #28, Port Hope.**

ON 7:00 pm *****

**Sat. & Sun. June 21, 22nd. 9 a.m to 4 p.m.
Huge Yard Sale of donated items at DHM. All proceeds go to support the Museum**

**Dorothy's House Museum
2014 Summer Hours beginning
June 28/29, 10 a.m to 4 p.m.**

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