



Society Newsletter

MP Rick Norlock presents PHDHS President Joan Parrott with a message from Prime Minister Stephen Harper at the Society's 50th Anniversary celebrations, April 7, 2013



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Above: MP Rick Norlock presenting plaque. Below: MPP Rob Milligan and MP Rick Norlock assist President Joan Parrott during ceremonial cake-cutting.

The Prime Minister said he was "...pleased to extend [his] warmest greetings to everyone celebrating the 50th anniversary of the Port Hope and District Historical Society."

"Our history," he said, "is vital to our identity as Canadians. The groups that take on responsibility for collecting, preserving, and displaying their community's history and artifacts play an important role in supporting the local economy and in encouraging Canadians to explore and discover our rich national heritage. Since it was founded in 1963 as East Durham Historical Society, the [PHDHS] has been dedicated to the preservation and dissemination of the Port Hope area's history."

"This milestone provides an ideal opportunity to reflect on all that your society has accomplished, including arranging the installation of historical plaques, producing an annual Heritage Fair, and maintaining and operating Dorothy's House Museum. I would like to commend the many volunteers who have devoted countless hours over the years: Your enthusiasm and hard work will benefit future generations wanting to know more about their community's origins."

"On behalf of the Government of Canada, I wish you a memorable anniversary, and all the best in the years to come."

— Signed: *Stephen Harper*

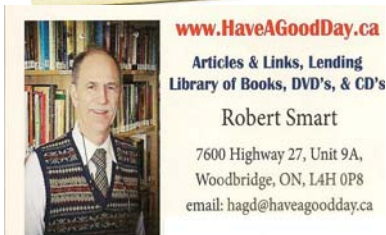


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President's report



PHDHS [former EDHS] is pleased to have the support of the following business members



A special thank you to the volunteers who helped during the Heritage Fair and 50th Anniversary Celebrations. They were a pleasant success. We had 15 displays, including representatives from the Port Hope Library and the Port Hope Archives. There were eight draws made, and one main draw donated by RAILSIDE Resturant. It was won by Debra Walker. I want to thank everyone for their contributions, especially the presence of our Federal and Provincial politicians who took time out of their busy schedules to represent their constituents.

Mr. Norlock, in addition to reading a message from the Prime Minister, “congratulated members and guests on behalf of the Government of Canada [and said] it is an honour to attend this 50th year commemoration of the founding of East Durham’s Historical Society....

“As members in good standing, your efforts are genuine examples of loyalty and community engagement. Future generations will thank you for leaving a legacy dedicated to the history of times gone past.”

Mr. Milligan, who was also present on behalf of the Province of Ontario, wrote that it was “... a great honour for [him] to be able to celebrate the achievement of such an impressive milestone. For fifty years the generosity of the members of the Port Hope & District Historical Society has had a significant and positive impact to our community.”

Mayor Thompson who was unable to attend sent us a letter “On behalf of Council and residents of the Municipality of Port Hope extend[ing]...congratulations on the Heritage Fair and 50th Anniversary Celebrations of Port Hope and District Historical Society held on Sunday April 7th.

“Thank you very much for the society’s efforts in preserving Port Hope’s history and once again, congratulations on reaching this important milestone.”

The full text and plaques will be on display at Dorothy's House Museum this summer.

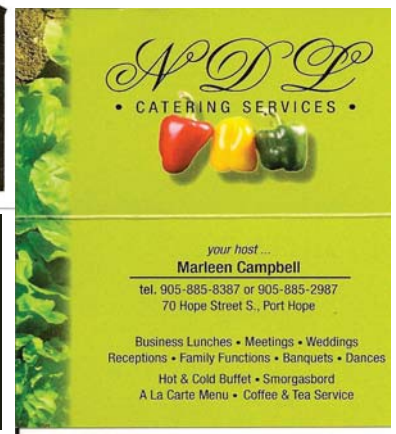
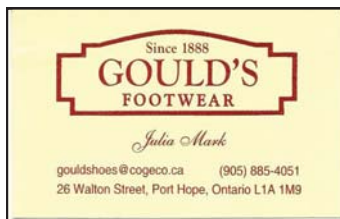
As your president it gives me great pleasure to welcome a new business member to our Society — Basil’s Market & Deli.

Thank you everyone! Looking forward to seeing you all this summer at Dorothy’s House Museum.

Joan Ashby Parrott
President, PHDHS



Don Davis



“The only thing that ever sat its way to success was a hen.”

— Sarah Brown, quoted by H. Jackson Brown, Jr. in *P.S. I Love you* [Rutledge Hill]

Heritage Fair in picture Collage



Starting from top left clockwise: Sue Stickley [Friends of Wesleyville Church], Rod Parrott, [Post Card Collection], Erin Walsh [Port Hope Archives], Model of historic Bridge over Rice Lake, built by George H. Parker [Cobourg Museum Foundation], Earl Ashby [HAHC], Sher Leetooze [Great Grandma's Table].

PHDHS Board Members receive Arts & Culture Award, April 18, 2013



L-R; Larry Ashby, Cal Morgan, John Dietz, Councillor Jeff Lees, Rod Parrott & Port Hope and District Historical Society President, Joan Parrott. Missing in the lineup was John Boughen, unable to attend due to illness. Mr. Boughen also received an Agricultural Award. His wife, Meredith, accepted it on his behalf.

More photos from Heritage Fair

Clock wise from top right: Port Hope Library, Art Marvin and the “Evolution of Safety Razors,” Lakeshore Genealogical Society, and Patti Wilson — Home made soaps display.



Events Calendar 2013

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 15, 7 p.m. at GRCA Annual General Meeting (Show & Tell)

Sat.&Sun. Special, June 1,2nd Doors Open 10a.m. to 4 p.m. Dorothy’s House Museum 3632 Ganaraska Road [County Rd. 9]

Sat. & Sun. June 22,23rd. - 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 2013 Summer Hours June 29, 30th, 10 a.m to 4 p.m.

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Membership Rates

Single	\$15.00
Couple	\$25.00
Business	\$40.00
Lifetime	\$75.00

Stories, or story ideas, are always welcome. Email: cmorgan@eagle.ca

Story of “The Box” will be featured in the next edition. This is a very interesting account of a chest containing a bronze plaque presented to “Principal A. Purslow from his pupils & friends in Port Hope, Sept. 26th. 1862. Discovered in London, Ont.

“A person seldom loses his shirt if he keeps his sleeves rolled up.” Spoken by Wally Crouter on CFRB Radio and published in *Truck Talk*, August 25, 1994