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Next Society Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Re-purposing Local Mills

David Blaney, president of the Maitland Mills Association Inc., will speak of the plans to re-furbish and re-purpose the Logan's Mill, Brussels and the McGuire Mill, Gorrie.

7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

The Stable Room at the Four Winds Barn, located behind the Carnegie Library on Orchard Line in Brussels.

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

History of Amateur Theatre

Jim Mulhern has been collecting memorabilia of the Goderich Little Theatre and will talk about the love of in theatre in small towns.

7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Livery, South Street, Goderich

Wednesday, June 19, 2019

Walking tour of Historic Zurich

Join Heather Klopp on a walking tour of Zurich and a tour of their renovated Hall. A gem!

7 p.m.



Four Winds Barn, Brussels

New Sites, New Ideas

We have an exciting start to the season planned for you! Do take a drive to Brussels and look for the Four Winds Barn built directly behind the renovated Carnegie Library. Bryon Morton, a retired farmer, wanted to give back to his community and took his love of barns and, with a lot of help from so many, rebuilt a barn scheduled for demolition.

The Wheel Barn is an English High Post bank barn originally built in 1862 by Alexander Stewart. Before the structure was dismantled with the help of a team of Mennonites, each post and beam, crossbar and purlin was tagged and labelled. Extra touches added during construction make it a magical place.

What an appropriate place to hold our first meeting of the season and the topic *Repurposing Local Mills* is so appropriate for this venue.

Dave Blaney, past councillor of Huron East and newly-appointed president of the Maitland Mills Association Inc., will talk about the plans for two mills, Logan and McGuire. Both mills are in the Upper Maitland watershed and have been under the jurisdiction of the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority. There has been community involvement in the past to help with repairs but this is a big step forward that will be discussed in more detail at our meeting.

There continues to be an active love of theatre in Huron County. Our history shows us that there were a few towns where amateur theatre was not only a source of entertainment but a great outlet for those closet actors! Jim Mulhern has a great collection of Goderich Little Theatre memorabilia along with some good stories he will tell us in May.

Walking tours are the best way to really see the details of our older buildings. The attention to detail in some cases has been kept or restored in Zurich. Heather Klopp is a driving force in this area and we are looking forward to hearing the inside stories that go with the buildings.

New Publication

Congratulations to David Yates on his book *Out of the Woods, Chronicles and Characters of Huron County*. David, newly retired from teaching, has been digging around in our history and publishing weekly columns for years in the local press. It took some organizing to pick a grouping of works for publication, but the the support of the Huron Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society it was launched last November. As well as being a great read, his book greatly expands our knowledge of the history of Huron County.

Membership renewal....

If you received this newsletter by mail, the date shown above your name on the address label is the year to which your membership is paid up, according to our records. Call Elaine Snell if you are not sure or need clarification. If you are in arrears, consider this a reminder that the membership fees are \$20. To reserve your member's hard copy of Historical Notes, keep your dues up to date. Copies of recent past Historical Notes are available from Elaine Snell at 519-523-9531, or at the Museum (past copies \$8.00 per copy).

Great Research Tool!

Past copies of Historical Notes from 1965 to 2012 are now available to **members** on our website.

Non-members can access only the index to each issue.

To access the members-only section for the Historical Notes or to do a search for names or places in the Historical Notes, go to www.HuronCountyHistoricalSociety.ca, open the dropdown menu for Publications, click HCHS Members Login, then type user-name: **user**, then the current password: 756096.

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Name:.....

Mailing address:.....

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Fees:.....\$20.00..... Additional donation(*):.....

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