



## Downtown Milton SummerFest A Marketing Success

The weather was beautiful, the Milton Downtown Business Improvement Area's (DBIAs) SummerFest crowd was at its pre-pandemic best and the Waldie Blacksmith Shop was a beehive of activity all afternoon with blacksmith demonstrations, book sales and discussions about matters historical.

While more than \$100 worth of Milton Historical Society goods and services changed hands, which the Board of Directors very much appreciated, the objective of the day was more about marketing than commerce, more about local history than local book sales and more about reconnecting than transactions.

Several hundred Miltonians dropped by to watch the entertaining blacksmith demonstrations, sign the historic guest book and discuss local history and what's happening in 2023 at the Society.

All in all, a great day for the Society, the Shop and those Miltonians who love local history and want to know more.

## MHS Annual Spring Garage Raises \$1,500

The Milton Historical Society's Annual Garage Sale was a great success, despite the somewhat inclement weather, raising about \$1,500 to help fund the Waldie Blacksmith Shop's operations as well as the Society's other good works.

The Society's annual online auction sale will take place this coming November. The Board of Directors of the Society wishes to thank those members who donated items to be sold at the garage sale as well as the many members who volunteered their time to help manage the sale.

Members with unique items that they wish to donate to the Society to help raise funds through the online auction sale are asked to call (905) 875-4156 or email [historymilton@gmail.com](mailto:historymilton@gmail.com).

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# OABA President Commends Waldie Sisters

What started out as a donation to the Ontario Artist Blacksmith Association (OABA) through the purchase of one of the association's anvils by sisters Gayle and Marsha Waldie, also earned them some heartfelt recognition recently from OABA president Lloyd Johnston.

"While it might, to some, be just an anvil in the grand scheme of things that make up the greater preservation movement, every item adds to the sum total of the whole adventure," wrote Mr. Johnston. "Marsha and Gayle have made a very significant contribution, not just by this most recent and generous donation."

"I see the whole picture of the Waldie Blacksmith Shop and the amazing thing that Marsha and Gayle have done for their community, the province, the country and the black smithing community, as a whole," he added. "I'm not sure how all they've done it, but they made it happen. They have preserved that shop and a place to carry on a very important historic trade. I wonder how often they realize what they have accomplished. Many places like the Waldie Blacksmith Shop have gone down to defeat and indifferent attitude. With Marsha and Gayle's generosity, they have kept it alive like it was in years gone by, as in previous Waldie generations. Yes, times have changed, but Marsha and Gayle have made it possible to keep some things from the past that are so important. The Waldie Blacksmith Shop is such a special place. I will always remember, "Come on in and shut the door, are you born in a barn?" From their dad, Alf Waldie."

# MHS Gets New Email Address

Milton Historical Society is getting a new office email address --historymilton@gmail.com. The current email address -- info@miltonhistoricalsociety.ca --will be used at least until the end of this calendar year before being disabled.

For the time being, both addresses will support member communications.

The Society's current telephone number -- (905) 875-4156 -- will not change, nor will its address -- 16 James Street, Milton, Ontario L9T 2P4.

# Fred W. Armstrong Arena Honour



Fred W. Armstrong Arena, Milton's first ice hockey arena, was formally recognized by the Town of Milton through the installment of a plaque following Canada Day at the north-east corner of Brown and Mary streets as well as through a day of celebration at Milton Lawn Bowling Club and the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #136, organized by Lawrence Cargill, Joanne Tosh and friends.







A plaque recognizing the Victoria Park Bandshell will be installed adjacent to it before the end of July.

Mr. Cargill encouraged Milton Historical Society President John Challinor II to approach the Town about installing the plaque recognizing the former arena. Former Town and Regional Councillor Brad Clements encouraged Mr. Challinor to approach the Town about recognizing the bandshell. Mr. Challinor assisted Town staff with the development of both plaques, assisted by the Society's archival records.

As part of the day recognizing the former arena, MHS member and noted local historian John McDonald researched and prepared a very thorough presentation about the arena, which he presented to those assembled at the lawn bowling club. Others in attendance also shared their recollections about the old arena.



Former local hockey goaltender Fred Leaver opened the activities with a traditional puck drop. Mayor Gord Krantz, Mr. Cargill and Ms. Tosh unveiled the plaque to those in attendance prior to its installation at the former arena site.

### Fred W. Armstrong Arena Background

Fred W. Armstrong Arena, Milton's first indoor skating/hockey arena, was built at the north-east corner of Brown and Mary streets in 1922 at a cost of \$15,000 by Milton Arena Company, led by Dr. Marshall Gowland. In 1947, the arena was purchased for \$5,000 from the Town of Milton by Milton Inn owner Fred Armstrong, who had committed to installing a \$31,000 artificial ice surface. In 1955, the money-losing arena was heavily damaged by fire and, after being repaired by volunteers, came back into the Town's ownership in 1956 through Mr. Armstrong's estate. It was demolished in 1978 after failing an engineering inspection by the Ontario Ministry of Labour.

### Victoria Park Bandshell Background

The Victoria Park Bandshell was relocated to Victoria Park from the grounds of Halton Centennial Manor (now Alendale) in 1991, following the reconstruction of Halton County Court House into the Town of Milton's current Town Hall in 1985. The bandshell was to be demolished as part of the expansion of the long-term care facility, but was rescued from the wrecker's ball by Town staff. The Town later extensively renovated it. Its construction was originally funded in 1974 by the Halton Centennial Manor Ladies Auxiliary and its design was overseen by then Halton Centennial Manor Administrator Stan Allen, who had based it on a bandshell he and his wife had seen while vacationing in Hamilton, Bermuda. The current bandshell replaced a much smaller bandstand built in Victoria Park in 1909, which had been removed from the park many years earlier.



# MHS Member Potluck Dinner One Evening To Savour

After a three-year hiatus because of the global COVID-19 pandemic, the Milton Historical Society Summer Potluck Dinner made a triumphant return in June, hosted by members David and Helen Hobden at their historic home at 203 Martin Street.

A variety of interesting and tasty foods and beverages were laid out on tables in the Hobden's spacious and beautifully manicured backyard on an early summer's evening. In between courses, the Hobden's took groups of Society members on a cook's tour of their red brick, Georgian-style home.

The residence, designed by John Elliot, was built in 1923 for his father, Judge John W. Elliot (1853 - 1936). According to research compiled by the late Alex Cooke (1916- 2001) and published in Milton Area Biographies, Volume 2 in 1997, Judge Elliot was born in Nassagaweya Township in 1853. He was educated at Upper Canada College, the University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall before establishing his law practice in Milton in 1885. He was appointed Deputy Judge of Halton County in 1913.

Judge Elliot was heavily involved in the community, serving as president of Milton Mechanics' Institute (the forerunner to Milton Public Library), master of St. Clair Lodge, clerk of the session of St. Paul's United Church and honorary president of the Children's Aid Society. He died in 1936 and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery.

The Hobdens moved to Milton in 1988, but had an interest in local history long before that.



Helen is a retired educator with Halton Board of Education and David is a civil engineer by training who operates his own business, Hobden Construction Company.

As all Society members know, particularly those who attended David's very informative presentation following the annual general meeting in January, Canadian history is a consuming passion for him. His principal research area is early Canadian military history and, more recently, mails and dispatches during the War of 1812, including mails carried on Iroquois Shore Road through the south section of what was then Halton County.

David considers himself fortunate to have lived almost his entire life in Halton County but laments watching our history swallowed up by the tide of progress. Collecting interests, beyond early Canadian military correspondence, include the postal history of Halton County, concentrating on the pioneering period between 1815 and 1860.





# Early Immigration In Canada Sometimes Taken To Extreme

The April edition of Milton Historical Society's Monthly Speakers Series was a particularly entertaining evening, with the guest speaker tandem of Dawn Kelly and Cathy Ufford sharing with those present the sometimes extreme measures taken by France to populate New France in North America during the 1600s, and often with unexpected consequences, including bigamy, incest, murder and witchcraft.

The Company of 100 Associates was disbanded in 1663 and France took over the governing of the colony.

At that time, King Louis XIV (1638 - 1715), also known as Louis the Great or the Sun King, established a program to bring young female immigrants to New France. These 768 women were known as Les Filles du Roi (king's daughters).

Contrary to popular belief, explained Mses. Kelly and Ufford, these women were not prostitutes. Many were from poor families and were looking for a way out of their current circumstances. They were given a choice in marriage and, because men far outnumbered them in New France, they had plenty of choice.

Mses. Kelly and Ufford are both members of the Toronto branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society, met there and through related research, learned of familial links between their families via Les Filles à Marier as well as Les Filles du Roi. Between her mother's and father's family trees, Ms. Kelly can count 31 Filles à Marier and 42 Filles du Roi that she descends from directly. Through her research, Ms. Ufford has discovered that her husband's family is linked to 35 Filles à Marier and 34 Filles du Roi, including some of Ms. Kelly's descendents.



Entitled The Bachelorette New France, Mses. Kelly and Ufford told the story of France's efforts to increase the population of New France by encouraging young women to immigrate, marry and populate the young colony.

New France, which existed between 1534 and 1763, initially included the shores of the St. Lawrence River, Newfoundland and Acadia (Nova Scotia), but gradually came to include much of the Great Lakes region (Ontario and Quebec) and parts of the trans-Appalachian West (east of the Mississippi River in the United States between Canada and Mexico).

Between 1634 and 1663 the Company of 100 Associates sponsored young women immigrating to Canada. These 260 young women were known as Les Filles à Marier (girls to be married).



# The Early Settlement of Halton County

By David Hobden

(A summary of his January 2023 Monthly Speakers Series presentation)

## Key Points:

- Dundas Street – Although surveyed in the 1790's, it was not open through Halton County until the massive cuts/fills and bridges over 12 and 16 Mile Creeks were completed by the militia in late 1813; and
- The village of St. Anne, located at the confluence of 12 Mile Creek and Dundas Street, serviced by a north south road that preceded the 1806 survey, was the county's first significant settlement and hosted Halton's first Post Office by December, 1821.

Settlement in Halton County began with the melting of the glaciers some 12,000 to 15,000 years ago. As the glacial cap melted, in a generally south to north direction, the waters initially flowed to what is now the Atlantic Ocean via the Hudson River valley. This occurred because the ice sheets, generally retreating northwards, still blocked the St. Lawrence River valley. With the Hudson spillway higher in elevation than the later St. Lawrence, the elevation in the lake formed where Lake Ontario now resides was approximately 100 feet higher. This lake has come to be known as Lake Iroquois and its shoreline through Halton was approximately where the Queen Elizabeth Way (QEW) highway is today.



The natives of this period, with their settlement following the retreating glaciers north, created a path along the Lake Iroquois shoreline, which was used from prehistoric times through the 1820's, sections of which are still visible to this day. In European times, this path became the county's first east/west roadway and is marked on both the initial Trafalgar and Nelson townships survey maps as well as the 1805 Simcoe Upper Canada Map. I have referred to this road as the Iroquois Shore Road.

The glacier's retreat from the St. Lawrence valley resulted in a lower elevation in the valley, due to the recently removed massive weight of ice and, as such, the elevation of the lake, now referred to as Lake Admiralty.



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It was about 100 feet below the current elevation of Lake Ontario. The St. Lawrence valley gradually rebounded to today's elevations and the lake levels stabilized at the current levels.

The sections of Nelson and Trafalgar townships, along with adjacent Toronto Township, south of Lower Base Line, were ceded to the Crown by the 1805 treaty, excepting approximately one square mile retained by the Mississauga's for fishing around the mouths of both 12 and 16 Mile Creeks. Surveyed in 1806, this was the last section of land facing the United States, between Detroit and Montreal, to be surveyed. Brants' Block was deeded to Joseph Brant, and Simcoe surveyed and deeded properties to settlers along Dundas Street in the 1790's.

The native retention of lands at the creek mouths prevented a natural development of the area, as neither harbour was available for settlement or transport. Unlike similar townships settled along the lake, initial settlement in Halton occurred inland along the east west Dundas Street, away from the natural water transportation routes offered by Lake Ontario.

This settlement was sparse prior to the War of 1812, as a lack of harbours and no bridges across the main creeks prevented interaction with Lake Ontario, the main commercial route of the period, but accelerated following the building of the bridges in the fall of 1813.

As settlers took possession of lands along Dundas Street, beginning in the 1790's and, as mills opened on the creeks, communities formed. As at 1800, the General Post Office, while not yet sanctioning a post office anywhere in Halton, made plans to transport mail through the county by William Bates, later the first postmaster at Wellington Square, from the Credit River to the Kings Head Inn on the beach strip. While, unfortunately, little is recorded of the area in the 1790 to 1806 period, the village of St. Anne's was established around a mill site at the confluence of Bronte Creek and Dundas Street, to the point that transportation to it was sufficient enough to warrant the upgrade of the north south native trail immediately on the west bank of 16 Mile Creek to a road. This is evidenced by the fact that the road to St. Anne is shown on the 1877 Halton County Atlas map and is the only given road on the survey. A given road is a road that exists prior to the land being surveyed. Upper Canada is predominantly surveyed roads, while Europe is predominately given roads. Given roads are typically curved, following the original routes traced by carts and foot traffic while surveyed roads are typically straight, curving only for geographic considerations or survey error. The St. Anne's Road still exists to this day as a paved walking path. The inference being that the establishment of St. Anne's preceded the 1806 survey. Should it have not been functioning as a settlement when the survey was undertaken, there would

have been no reason for the roadway along Bronte Creek to exist as an alternate route, with Appleby Line existing only 400 yards west of St. Anne, as of 1806. While Brant's Block was undoubtedly settled prior to 1800, the settlement generally amounted to the family of Joseph Brant. The first sale of lands in the Block is not recorded until 1805/6, at which time St. Anne's was already sizeable enough that it required a north-south access to Lake Ontario's transportation system. In the course of research on the War of 1812 communications, a militia general order was noted, held by the Canadian Archives.



#### General Order.

**Adjutant Generals Office , 12 Mile Creek, 6th July 1813  
Militia General Order.**

**His Honor the President has thought proper to direct that the great highway through the Province called Dundas Street should forthwith be put in a state for transport of troops, military stores and ordinance. To effect this... labour detachments from their regiments of sedentary militia,...the privates of the militia two shillings and sixpence per day. Certified pay lists will be furnished by the officer commanding the party ... in the usual form in each month for such sums as required...**

**Aeneas Shaw Adj. Genl. Militia**

**U.C. The above, together with Militia records paying**



## Matthew Wilkinson Reveals The Darker Side of Local History

Heritage Mississauga historian Matthew Wilkinson revealed the darker side of the history of his community at the May meeting of Milton Historical Society's Monthly Speaker Series program.

Mr. Wilkinson shared a number of true crimes and resulting punishments in early Mississauga with those in attendance, based on research he and his fellow research associates did between 2011 and 2014. Once published, the 16 articles developed over that time were so popular with readers that a series of videos was produced, a website was created, a travelling roadshow presentation was developed and, on May 31st, a book was launched, entitled, *Mississauga Confidential: Murder, Scandal & Crime From The City's Darker Side*.

The one general learning associated with all of the crime stories researched by Mr. Wilkinson and his associates was how popular crime stories have been with Canadians since newspapers began publishing and radio, television and the worldwide web began broadcasting.

He said crime stories have typically led all other news stories because most readers and listeners are fascinated by them, more so than all other categories of news and information.

Ironically, Mr. Wilkinson concluded that, as popular as they were at the time they occurred, most crime stories quickly faded from public view and were eventually forgotten.

However, once he and his associates unearthed some of them again for public consumption, they quickly regained popularity because of most readers' interest in the genre. However, rather than simply regurgitate the crime stories published in the newspapers of the day, Mr. Wilkinson and his fellow researchers dug into court records, police reports and other background legal documents to provide readers with a more fulsome account of what happened.



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From the perspective of the crimes themselves, the Plaza Lodge Hotel in Clarkson emerged as the most common backdrop for much of the criminal activity that Mr. Wilkinson and his associates focused on. He said the hotel surfaced through the group's research work strictly by coincidence. Interestingly, it had mysteriously burned down in 1965.

One of the more interesting crimes Mr. Wilkinson spoke about was a Christmas Day murder involving a farmer who was shot by his farmhand during a card game. The farmer's son pinned the farmhand to the ground and beat him unconscious with a fire place tool.

At trial, the farmhand made the claim that he was not guilty by reason of insanity because of a medical analysis that concluded he was mentally incompetent. The court determined that his criminal matter should proceed to trial anyway, where he was eventually found guilty of murder. He was released from prison just 17 years later, but never returned to Mississauga. For further information about the book, which was edited by Mr. Wilkinson, or Heritage Mississauga, please visit [www.modernmississauga.com](http://www.modernmississauga.com).



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# PEOPLE FROM OUR PAST

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## Bruce Hood

Hood, Bruce Melvin •1936-2018

National Hockey League Referee, Business Owner, Author

Bruce was born March 14, 1936, to Melvin A. Hood (1904-1988) and Hazel M. Mitchell (1911- 2008) who raised two other children, Murray and Marina.

Hazel and Mel raised their children in Campbellville before moving into Milton, where Bruce attended Milton District High School. He later attended Dale Carnegie, Sheridan College and York University. In 1957 he enlisted in the Lorne Scots Pipes and Drums with the rank of Bandsman being demobilized in 1968.

During his early years, Bruce played and also became involved in other aspects of the Milton Minor Hockey League and Minor Baseball. He was quite a sports fan and at one time was a columnist for the local paper, The Canadian Champion.

At one time he was the referee-in-chief of the Tri County Hockey League and Milton Referee Association. He also enjoyed playing football, tennis, golf and squash. Bruce was also involved within the community, serving on the Milton District Hospital Board, Chamber of Commerce, Downtown Business Association and various fund raisers.

Mr. Hood was a referee with the National Hockey League from 1963 to 1984 and, in his 21- year career, he was the first to referee 1000 NHL games, officiating 1033 regular season games. He was also the first NHL referee to officiate in the World Championships in Prague, Czechoslovakia in 1985. Bruce also refereed 157 Stanley Cup Playoff Games, 3 NHL All-star games and 3 Canada Cup Series. He was the author of two best selling books on his hockey career—Calling the Shots (1988) and The Good of the Game (1999).

Of special note, Bruce was also involved in the formation of the NHL Officials Association in 1969. He was the last official to wear the number one on his jersey and the last to officiate in all Original Six NHL arenas. Over the years, Bruce had a major impact on young referee's from around the world who attended his referee schools.

Mr. Hood was recognized by Miltonian's in 2007 when he was inducted into Milton's Walk of Fame at Town Hall. In 2018 he was inducted into Milton's Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Hood passed in 2018.

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## YOU'RE INVITED

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## BOOKS FOR SALE

# Local Books of History Valuable On Open Book Market

Since its founding in 1977, Milton Historical Society has become one of the most prolific chroniclers of local history in Canada, publishing more than two dozen high quality books covering a myriad of local history topics since 1989.

The quality and value of these books is increasingly being recognized in the rare book marketplace, with several signed and unsigned Society books currently for sale on eBay, Biblio and Abe Books, including the following:

Halton's Heritage — US\$21.00

Memories of Milton — US\$19.95

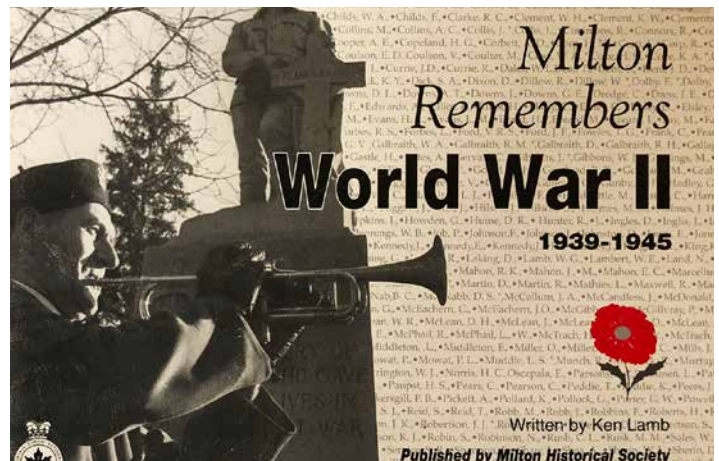
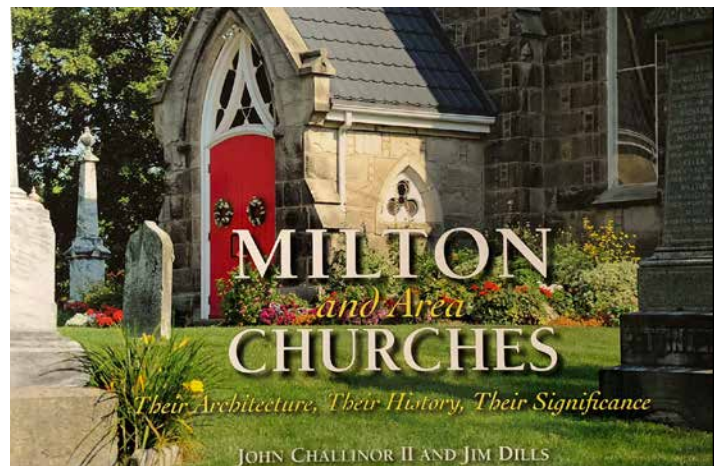
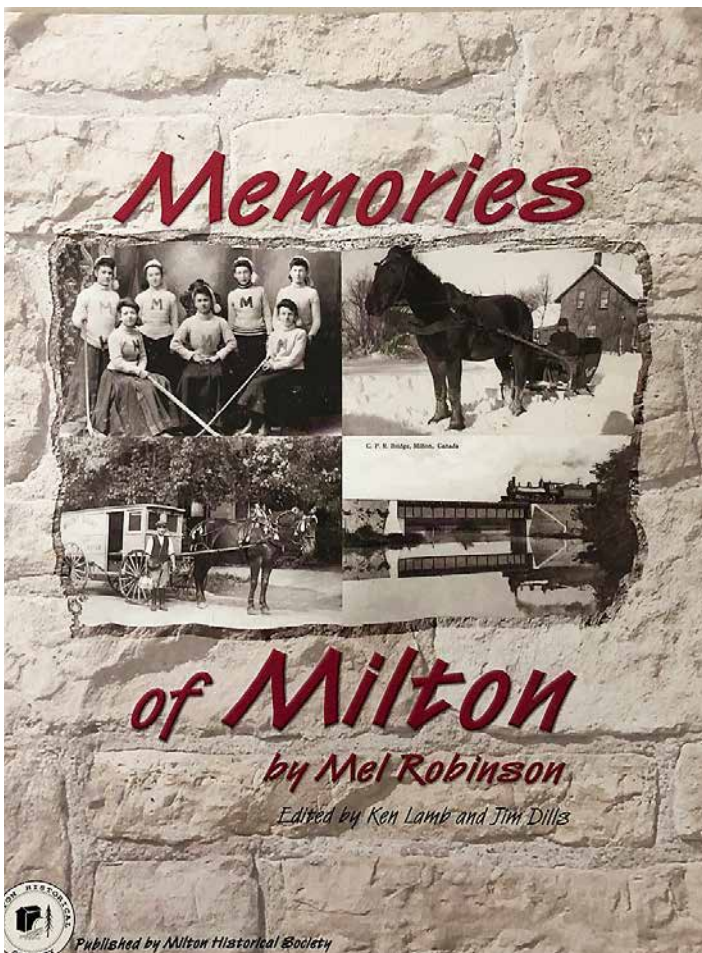
Milton Churches — US\$49.95

Milton Streets — US\$49.95

Milton Remembers World War I — US\$11.50

Milton Remembers World War II — US\$32.95

While a number of these books are out of print, Memories of Milton is still in stock and can be purchased for \$10 in Canadian funds online at [www.miltonhistoricalsociety.ca](http://www.miltonhistoricalsociety.ca) or by dropping by the Society's offices at the Waldie Blacksmith Shop. Similarly, Milton Churches is still in stock and can be purchased for \$40 in Canadian funds online or by visiting the Shop. And, Milton Remembers World War II is still in stock and can be purchased for \$20 in Canadian funds online or by dropping by the Shop. Finally, Halton's Heritage is still in stock and can be purchased for \$35 in Canadian funds by dropping by the Shop.





# Buy A Book Of Local History Signed By The Author

Everyone who purchases a book of local history from Milton Historical Society this year will have the option of having it signed by the book's author.

Whether the book buyer wants a personal inscription or just the author's signature will be their choice. The Society will ensure they get what they want.

"Local books of history have more value to those who buy them or receive them as gifts when they are personally inscribed or signed by the author," explained John Challinor II, President, Milton Historical Society. "And, should the book's owner decide to sell the book, it has more value on the open market."

Books for sale that are available for signing by the following authors include the following:

## John Challinor II:

Milton And Area Churches — \$40

Mr. Jim — \$20

## John McDonald:

Halton's Heritage — \$35

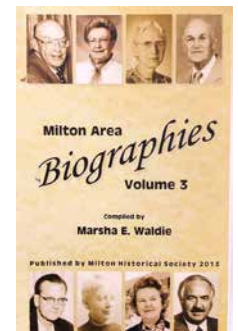
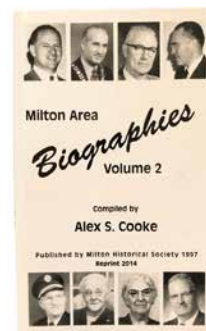
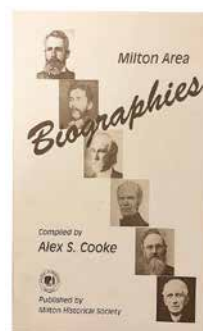
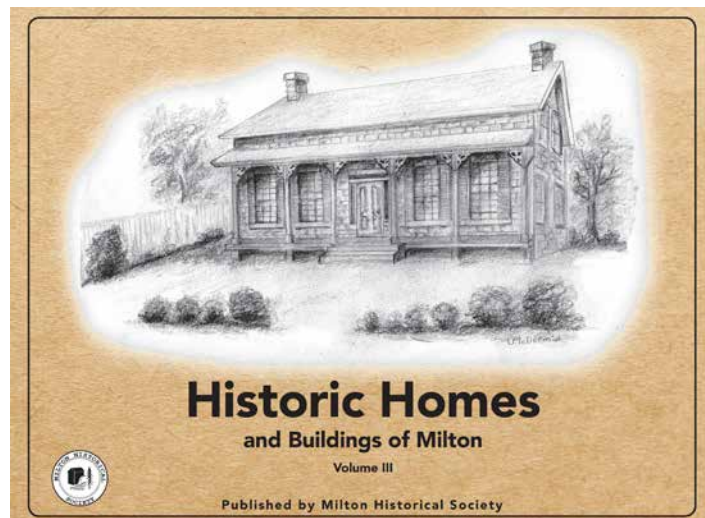
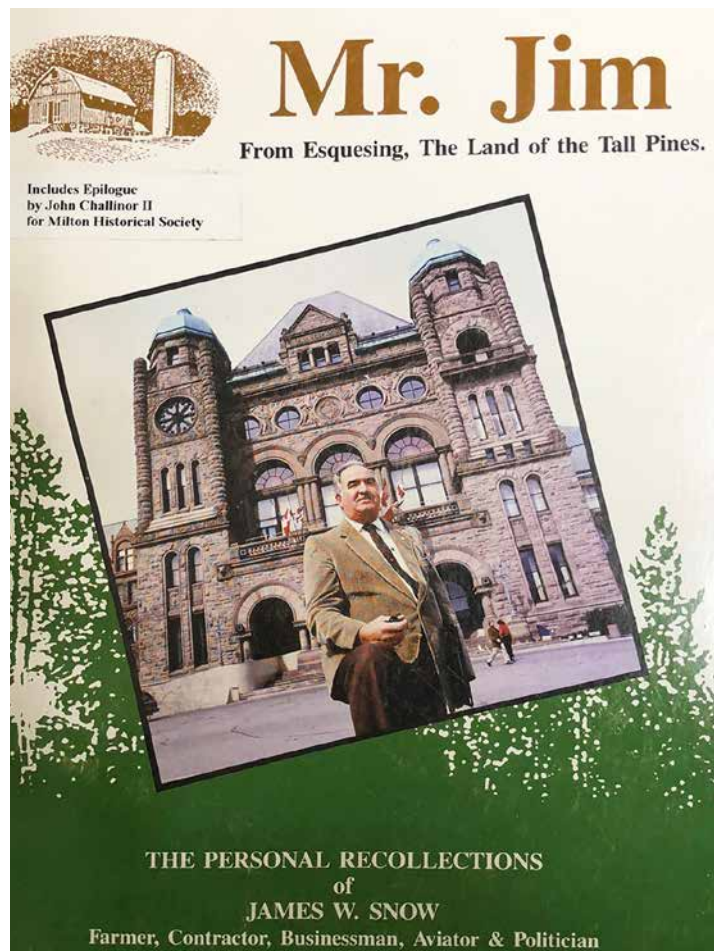
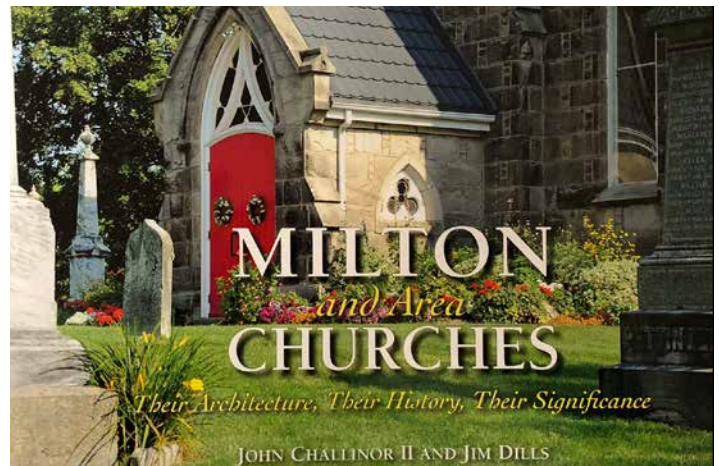
## Marsha Waldie:

Historic Homes And Buildings of Milton — Volume III — \$30

Milton Area Biographies — Volume 1 — \$30

Milton Area Biographies — Volume II — \$30

Milton Area Biographies — Volume III — \$30





# MHS 2023 Monthly Speakers' Series to cover many topics of interest

The 2023 edition of the Milton Historical Society Monthly Speakers' Series promises to have something for everyone, when it comes to local matters historical.

Society Monthly Speakers' Series Program Coordinator Jennifer Pickett Stojanovski, assisted by MHS House Plaquing Coordinator Marsha Waldie and others, has put together an action-packed schedule of speakers for the coming year.

The Monthly Speakers' Series Program is scheduled, at this writing, as follows:

- **July and August 2023:** No programming during the summer;
- **September 21, 2023:** John McDonald presentation TBD;
- **October 26, 2023:** Jo Ann Tuskin presentation, entitled, "The United Empire Early Settlers of Ontario;"
- **November 16, 2023:** John Duignan presentation, entitled, "A Milton History Through Post Cards;"
- **December 2023:** ChristmasFest-related activity.

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## BLACKSMITH SHOP NEWS

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### Blacksmith Shop Update



The first six months of the year were busy with a total of 14 Beginner Blacksmith courses and one Intermediate course held. Interest was high and most of the courses had the full compliment of four students. Thanks to both of our teams of blacksmiths, David Brandow and Darwyne Hourie and Megan Carter and Mike Armstrong of Armstrong and Carter Ironworks.

Saturday morning blacksmith demonstrations have returned to the Waldie Blacksmith shop in tandem with the Milton Farmers Market.

The demonstrator is onsite between 9 AM and 12 PM on most Saturday mornings.

Check the website for demonstration dates at <http://www.miltonhistoricalsociety.ca/blacksmith-courses/blacksmith-demonstrations/>. Thanks to our demonstrator team of Don Thomson, Nick Marinucci, Paul Taylor, Bill Leaton and Stephen Wallace.

One of our students forged an old time horseshoe beginning with a piece of 1" flat bar.

Cullen used one of the historic horseshoes as a model and the finished shoe came out very well. The shape of the horseshoe is uniform and the metal points that project out for gripping are sized and shaped correctly and the holes to drive nails into the horse's hoof are well aligned. Great job Cullen!

During the springtime we had a journalism student from Sheridan college shoot a video at the Waldie Blacksmith shop as part of their class project. The video features footage of the shop during a blacksmith course and interviews with a student, our president John Challinor II and one of our blacksmiths. The video is two minutes long and very well done. We hope to post the video on the MHS website in the near future! Congratulations and thank you to Diego Pizarro for a job well done with the video!

The Fall Schedule of Blacksmith courses has been made and is now open for registrations on the MHS website at <http://www.miltonhistoricalsociety.ca/blacksmith-courses/>

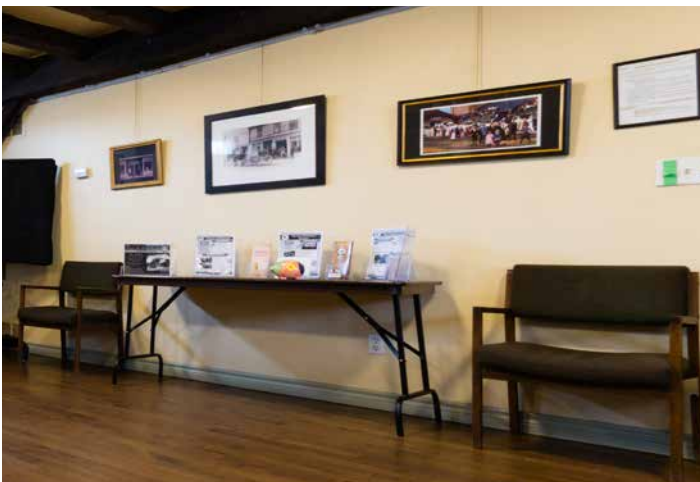
The National Blacksmith Conference for Canada, CanIRON 2023 is coming to Fergus, Ontario August 3 to 6th and this event features a gallery, teaching tents, an Iron in the Hat and Auction on the Saturday evening. For more information, please visit the website at <https://www.caniron.ca/>

We welcome Stephen Wallace to the role of Blacksmith shop coordinator for the Waldie Blacksmith shop to replace Bruce Carlin who is stepping down from the MHS executive. Stephen has been blacksmithing for years and has been on the executive of the Ontario Artists Blacksmith Association and is on the organizing committee for CanIRON 2023. Stephen will come aboard this Fall.

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## THE BLACKSMITH SHOP

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(Member since January 2021)

## Edward Jones Investments - David Illingworth

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(Member since May 2021)

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(Member since October 2018)

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(Member since July 2018)

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#### Level A

\$100 yearly for businesses with 10 employees or less

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\$200 yearly for businesses with 10 employees or more



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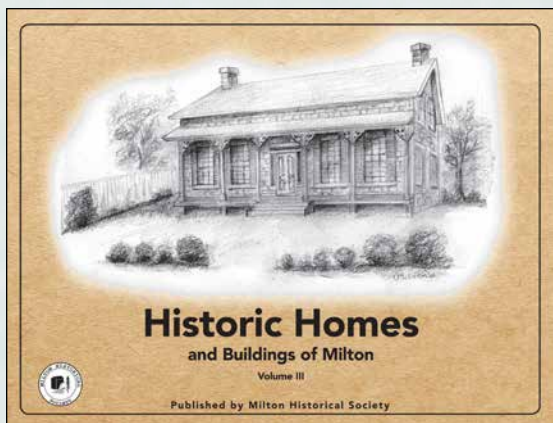
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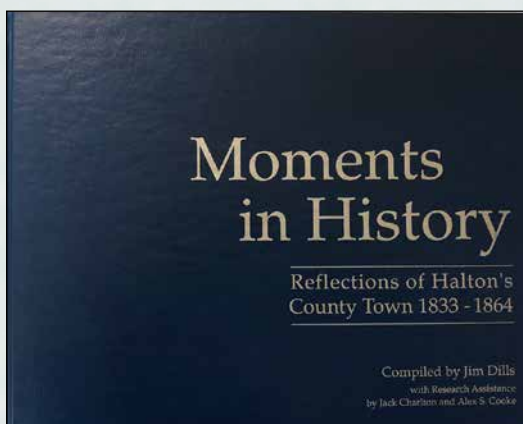
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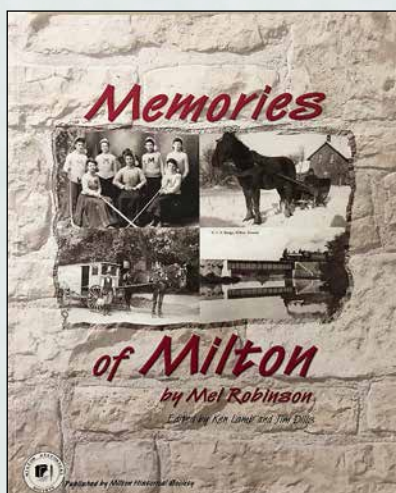
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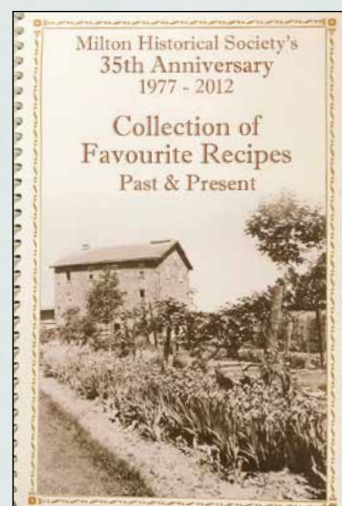
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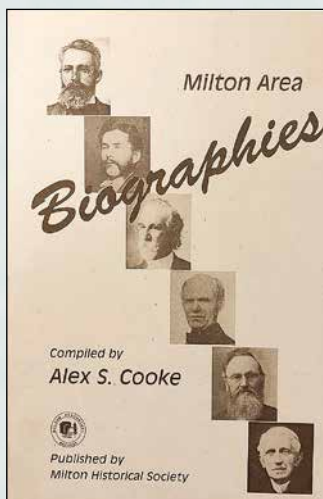
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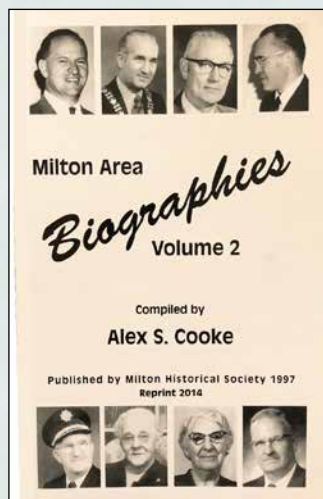
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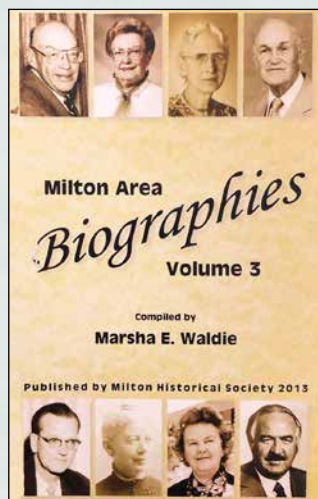
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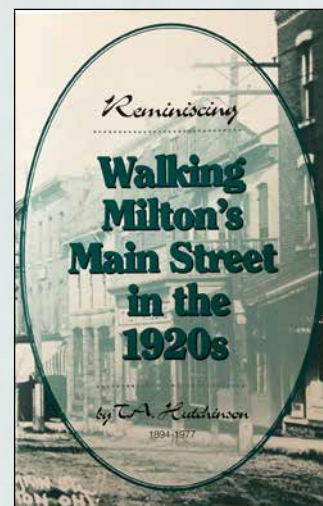
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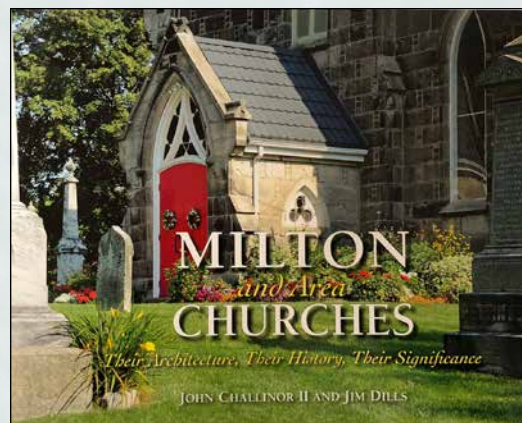
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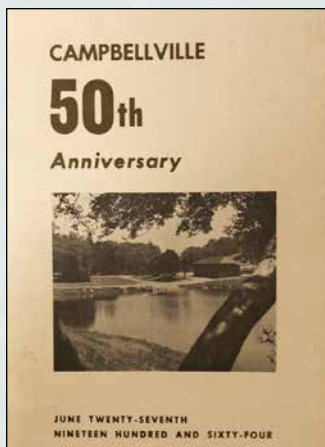
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For more information, or help with ordering, please contact  
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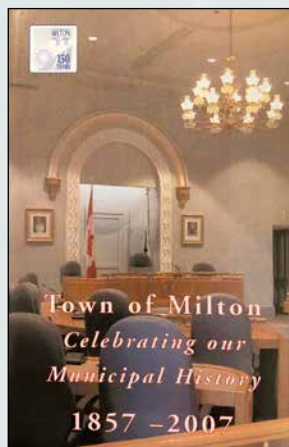




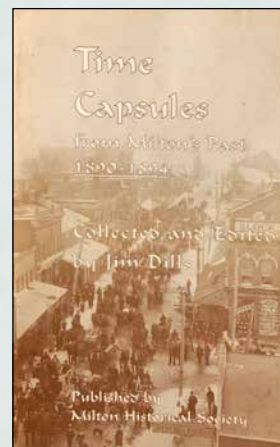
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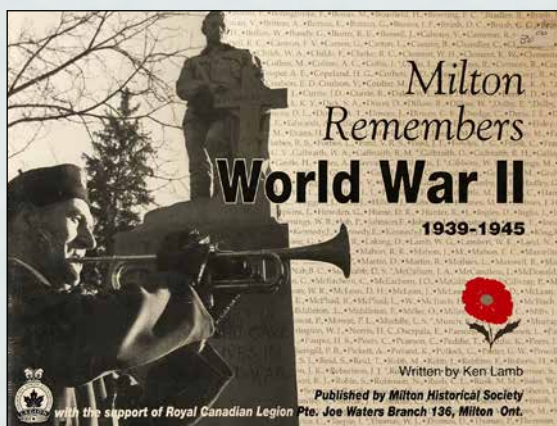
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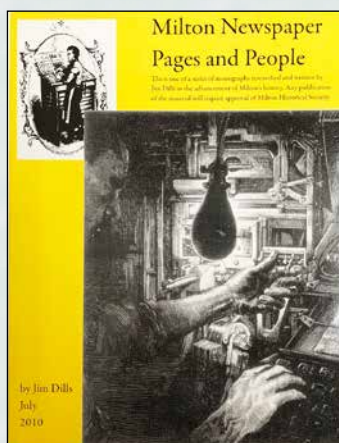
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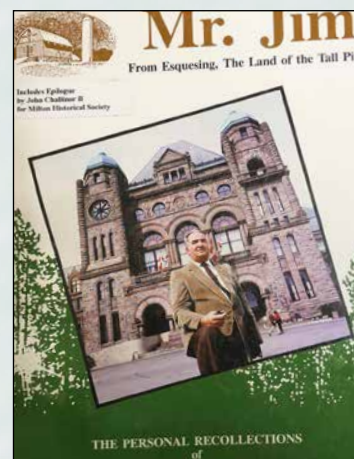
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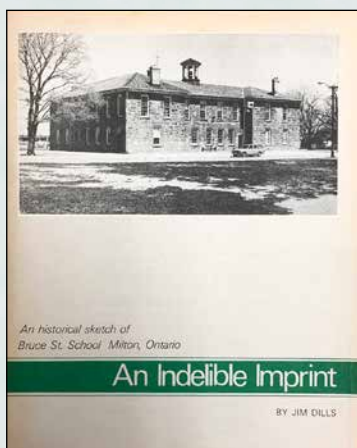
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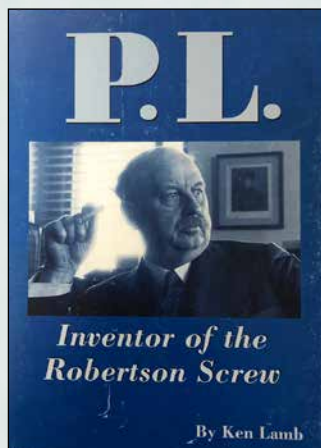
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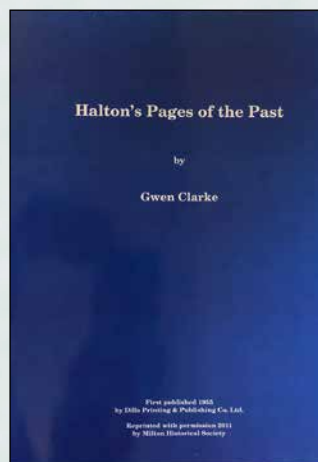
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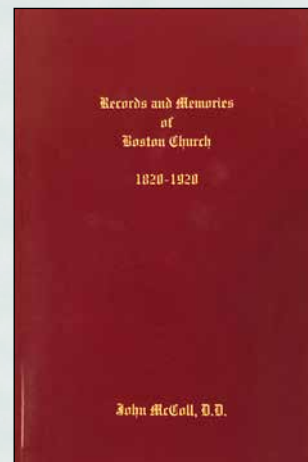
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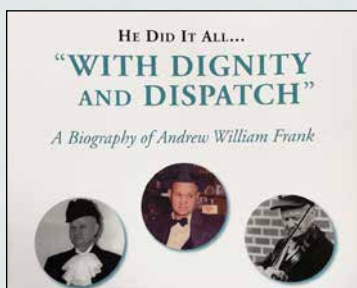
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# THE MILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Preserving Milton's History for Future Generations

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

### MEMBERSHIP DUES (Check categories that apply)

- ☐ New Member or ☐ Renewal
- ☐ Single \$25      ☐ Family \$40      ☐ Youth (free)
- ☐ Corporate (10 or less employees) \$100
- ☐ Corporate (11 or more employees) \$200
- ☐ Yes, as a new member I wish to receive the Journal and other e-communications.

### VOLUNTEERS HELP US FORGE OUR FUTURE

We know all members have certain unique talents, skills and abilities.  
We ask you to share these, as our society relies on your active support and involvement.  
These are just a few of the areas you can help the society with:

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Support/Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum Greeters                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Events                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Archives                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance Opportunities         | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Data Entry              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Opportunities       | <input type="checkbox"/> Digitization of Archival Records |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Artistic Opportunities        | <input type="checkbox"/> Cataloguing & Care               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Stewardship          |   |

(Please check those that interest you as listed on the back of this form)

### DONATIONS

I wish to make a separate donation to MHS in the sum of \_\_\_\_\_.

**Donations and payments** can be made on line through **PayPal** from our website.

(A tax receipt will be issued for all donations totaling \$25.00 or more)

**Note:** The Milton Historical Society has set up a foundation under the "Community Foundation of Halton North" (CFHN).  
You can also donate through this foundation towards the Milton Historical Society.  
Please contact our Society for further information.

The Milton Historical Society is a registered charity # 110041358RR0001

Please make cheques payable to Milton Historical Society  
Mail completed form/remittance to:  
The Milton Historical Society  
16 James St., Milton, ON L9T 2P4



## HELP SUSTAIN MILTON'S RICH HISTORY FOR GENERATIONS TO COME!

The Milton Historical Society was founded in 1977 to encourage appreciation of, and promote knowledge of, the historical and cultural heritage of the Town of Milton. To that end, the Society organizes popular community activities throughout the year and undertakes numerous projects including:

- The restoration and operation of the Waldie Blacksmith Shop
- The publication of books on the history of Milton
- The operation of the Cooke / Dills Archives
- Research and plaquing of Milton's historic properties
- Walking Tours of historic Milton neighbourhoods

To help fund these worthwhile projects, the Milton Historical Society is actively seeking to engage members of Milton's business community as sponsorship partners through our Corporate Membership Program. As a Corporate Member, you will not only help to support a vital and high profile local cultural organization, but you will also receive recognition and benefits including:

- Name mention in The Journal (the Society's quarterly newsletter)
- Name mention in the monthly e-Newsletter (Launching this Fall)
- Name mention on the MHS Website
- Name mention on Social Media Channels
- Name mention in Media Press Releases
- Name mention at the Speaker Forum Presentations
- Name mention at the Student Educational Class Presentations
- Name mention at the Monthly Meeting Series
- 10% off Guided Walking Tours
- 10% off all MHS Publications
- MHS Member-Level access to the Cooke/Dills Archives
- 10% off Carriage Room rental
- 10% off Blacksmith Classes (Waldie Blacksmith Shop)
- One free employee activity evening at Waldie's Blacksmith Shop
- Company presentation by the MHS President



*Note: Visit our website for more details and how to take advantage of these special offers.*

Becoming a Corporate Partner costs only \$100 for businesses with 10 employees or less, or \$200 for those with more than 10 employees. By the way, Single memberships are \$25 and \$40 for Family. These memberships are a great way to get your employees involved. We are always looking for Volunteer Support at our numerous events around town.

*Note: These prices are for a year and renewed on their anniversary date.*

Also see us around town at various events • Display at the Milton Downtown Classic Car Show • Display at the Milton Downtown Farmers Market • Float in the Milton Santa Claus Parade • Pot Luck Dinners for MHS Members • Festivities surrounding MHS Heritage Week • MHS Garage Sales (please visit our website for more details).

As a registered charity, the Milton Historical Society will be happy to issue a tax receipt for your contribution (Our registered charity # 110041358RR0001).

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On behalf of the MHS Board, we very much appreciate your support and working together to advance our historic mission!

**Brad Collis – Community Marketing Lead**





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OVER 40 YEARS  
IN THE MAKING!

- Preservation
- Education
- Recognition
- Celebration



**GREAT  
VALUE!**

## MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

Single: \$25 yearly  
Family: \$40 yearly  
Students: Free (aged 12 - 18)

### **BONUS!**

For every new or renewal membership, receive our  
"Moments in History" publication (\$15 Value).  
To pick-up your copy, drop by MHS any  
Wednesday or Saturday, 9:30 am - Noon

[miltonhistoricalsociety.ca/about-us/membership/](http://miltonhistoricalsociety.ca/about-us/membership/)

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## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS



Receive the quarterly Journal newsletter

Receive eNews bulletin

10% off Guided Walking Tours

10% off Blacksmith Courses

10% off History-Themed Programs

10% off MHS publications

10% off Carriage Room rentals

10% off MHS gift certificates

Member-level access to the Cooke/Dills Archives

Free attendance at Pot Luck Dinners

Free access to MHS Speaker's Bureau presenters

Free attendance at Sessions on local history

Free attendance at Monthly Meeting Series

**MANY  
PRIVILEGES**

### *Payment Options*

• Credit Card online • Cash • Cheque



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Contact: Kaye Hogg, Community Membership Lead  
[info@miltonhistoricalsociety.ca](mailto:info@miltonhistoricalsociety.ca)

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## MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS

### Level A: \$100 yearly

for businesses with 10 employees or less

### Level B: \$200 yearly

for businesses with 10 employees or more

**BONUS!** For every new or renewal membership, receive our "Moments in History" publication (\$15 Value).

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## MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Name mentions in the quarterly Journal newsletter  
One feature write-up in the quarterly Journal newsletter  
Weekly name mentions on social media channels  
Name mentions on the website under Corporate Members  
Name mentions in the eNews bulletin (2 or 3 each month)  
Name mentions in media press releases  
Name mentions in the MHS email signature  
Name mentions at various Speaker Bureau presentations  
Name mentions at Monthly Meeting Series (Open to the Public)  
Free company employee activity evening at Waldie Blacksmith Shop  
Member-level access to the Cooke/Dills Archives (Over 15,000 items)  
10% off Historic Walking Tours (including Group Tours)  
10% off Blacksmith Courses  
10% off Historic Educational Programs  
10% off all MHS publications  
10% off Carriage Room rentals  
10% off MHS merchandise & gift certificates  
Member Pot Luck Dinners (Summer & Christmas)

**PLUS MORE!**

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## MHS MARKET FACTS!

- Over 1,400 engaging Facebook followers
- MHS Facebook Demographics: 53% Female. 25-54 (49%) & 55-64 (34%)
- Over 600 engaging Twitter followers
- Over 1,500 monthly website visitor interactions
- Over 200 General & Corporate members
- Source: MHS database, Facebook & Google Analytics

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- MHS Library & Bookshop
- MHS Gift Shop
- MHS Blacksmith Courses
- MHS Education Series
- MHS Event Series
- MHS Community Events
- MHS Member Social Events

**LEARN  
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