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November

The Credits - November 21st Mississauga Grand Banquet & Convention Centre 6:00pm Reception 7:00pm Dinner Ceremony to follow

December

Carolling at The Grange December 8, 2013 6:00pm

Cover Photo

AVRO Arrow in Flight Alex Anderson Collection Peel Art Gallery, Museum & Archives (PAMA), & Cover of the "Legend of the ARROW. Looking for that unique gift this holiday season? Heritage Mississauga has a number of books by local authors that just might do the trick for that hard to buy for person.



9th Annual "Carolling at The Grange"

Sunday December 8th, 2013 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Enjoy old fashioned Christmas Carolling around an outdoor campfire, with a cup of hot chocolate and fun for the whole family. We're celebrating our 53nd birthday, cake will be served at 7pm.

FREE ADMISSION

Help those in need, please bring a non-perishable donation for the Deacons Cupboard Food bank at St. Peter's Anglican Church.

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President's Message

by Barbara O'Neil, President, Heritage Mississauga



Barbara O'Neil and Mayor McCallion at the launch of the Comic Book Series during Doors Open, HM

After a very active start to the fall season - finalization of 2014 Plans and Budgets; launch of our Comic Book series; Spirit Tours, interpretive panel unveiling and our militia soldiers on parade on Doors Open Day; another popular Haunted Mississauga night complete - we're putting the final touches on "the Credits", our evening of fine dining and entertainment honoring Mississauga's Heritage Heroes.

On behalf of our Board, congratulations to the 2013 heritage award nominees. Some \$65 tickets to Heritage Mississauga's November 21st gala evening are still available and I hope to see many of you at this exciting event!

Below is an excerpt from an article appearing in the current Mississauga Board of Trade magazine, for your review. The sentiments express what I sincerely believe to be the positive interrelationship between an appreciation for local heritage and thriving, attractive communities.....

Heritage Mississauga: Pro-Heritage, Pro-Community & Pro-Business

As the only independent, city-wide, charity devoted to heritage matters, Heritage Mississauga is Mississauga's source for heritage promotion, communication and documentation.

Over the past 52 years, we have had a quiet, but I believe very significant role in our City's evolution from a "bedroom" community, into a vibrant and increasingly exciting major urban centre. How? Simply, there is a logical and rather obvious link between cities where the population has a clear sense of itself - its unique natural and built resources, its leading personalities and cultural groups, its geography, history, public gathering places and seasonal celebrations - and the type of environment that attracts educated people with resources. These people in turn attract developers of superior housing and commercial projects, which in turn attract the kind of businesses that every city desires. This further encourages more cultural investment and business growth. (Think of the great cities of the world: their iconic parks, neighbourhoods, dense and wealthy city centres...)

That first step, establishing a sense of self, or neighbourhood identity, is a long term, complex and subtle process that can't be instantly forced through a marketing campaign. We've contributed here through working with some of the key charismatic leaders who've shaped our community, and through recording the stories of many "average" citizens from the diverse cultural diverse groups who have contributed to building Mississauga. We've been instrumental in preserving some unique historic and natural gems (e.g., the Bradley House Museum). We publish books, feature local artists in our two art galleries, participate in Carassauga, Doors Open and many other events. providing resources to many community partners, Heritage Mississauga last year was involved in over 190 programs and events serving 61,000+ citizens.

Increasingly, we are reaching out to businesses, encouraging use of our services, which are either free or low-cost. For example, we have a Membership Benefits Program with participating restaurants and retailers. Our Legacy Program provides corporate research on the history of Mississauga companies and the land on which they were/are situated. Heritage Mississauga's Research Centre and onstaff Historian offer extensive archival and genealogical research resources to business. Business men and women who have made a difference to the development of our City are recognized at our annual awards night (as of November 21, 2013, it is an Academy-style evening known as *The Credits*).

Whether it's through customized corporate/employee membership programs, volunteer opportunities, or our own re-enactment Militia (affiliated with Fort York), Heritage Mississauga is dedicated to building productive relationships with business and government to promote modern, natural and early heritage, diversity and cultural activities. Collectively, such initiatives create pride in our community and a healthy climate for business to thrive.

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From the Editor's Desk

by Jayme Gaspar, Executive Director, Heritage Mississauga

It is official, Heritage Mississauga has published its first **Comic Book** and it has been received with rave reviews! The talents of the team from Madd Sketch and Spent Pencils worked with our story and

developed an exciting design to help us communicate an important story in our communities heritage. During Mississauga's Doors Open at the International Centre under the wing of the replica of the AVRO Arrow the design team autographed over 500 copies for visitors. What a perfect location to launch this first comic. Many thanks to the International Centre and the City of Mississauga who included us in their plans for the official launch of Mississauga's Doors Open event. The Arrow replica was very impressive and such a remarkable tribute to those who worked on the development of this fighter. congratulations go to the team from the Canadian Air & Space Museum who built the Arrow replica. Seeing the plane in person you realize that many hours and dedication went into its production. This comic we are happy to say is the first in a yearly series and we look forward to working with this talented team to design our 2nd issue in 2014. Visit our website to view the comic online at www.heritagemississauga.com.

It has been a busy fall in Mississauga with a number of excellent events that we have supported and participated in. Legend's Row was officially launched at Celebration Square on September 14th. Congratulations to Ron Duquette and his Board of Directors who honoured 10 Mississauga Legends in the Class of 2013: Bruce McLaughlin, Johnny Bower, Chuck Jackson, Oscar Peterson, Silkin Laumann, Henderson, Dr. Joseph Wong and Tommy Hunter. We were there

to record this momentous occasion and for me it was thrilling to meet the inductees including Tommy Hunter who is well known for his long running television show and a song he recorded in the 80's called "Mississauga".

October brought us to the Bradley House Museum for our Annual *Haunted Mississauga* as we welcomed home our War of 1812 soldiers. We appreciate the support of the Staff of the

Museums of Mississauga, many of whom participated as "spirits" of the past in the event. We also braved the icy cold wind and set up our booth in support of Ward 5 at Councillor Crombie's Harvest Fall Fair. A wonderful opportunity to meet residents of the Ward and share our heritage story with them.

For Heritage Mississauga Staff November brings an opportunity to remember our fallen and those who returned home to help build this wonderful city we call ours. During Remembrance Day our 1812 Soldiers participated in three services and we appreciate the support of the organizers in honouring these veterans. During November we will also hold "the Credits" our annual awards event. We look forward to honouring the nominees and their contributions to helping make Mississauga the vibrant, dynamic city it is today. Congratulations one and all.

Mark your calendars for Sunday December 8th when we would like to invite you to join us for our annual "Carolling at The Grange". We will have a roaring campfire with marshmellows and smores for the kids and those young at heart and two wonderful art shows to visit. In our Debbie Hatch Discovery Centre we present a show by local artist Sheena Currie, and in our Lower Gallery we are pleased to present "Aggregation 13, by our friends "Artists Looking For

Empty Walls". There will be hot cranberry punch, birthday cake and a chance to visit with friends. Please help those in need at this time of year and bring a nonperishable donation for the Deacons Cupboard Food bank at St. Peter's Anglican Church.

As another year-end approaches I want to take a moment to thank the members of this community who have worked tirelessly to celebrate their heritage, record milestones and promote events and programs that we are all invited to participate in. Each

year we are presented with opportunities to learn and experience the vibrant cultural heritage that makes our city unique, through festivals, gallery shows, art exhibitions, performances, awards evenings and presentations. If you haven't participated in some of these events take a moment, visit, connect, you will be surprised, delighted and enlightened.



Triumph, Lata Pata, Paul Gil Moore, Mayor McCallion, Chuck Jackson, Tommy Hunter at Henderson Dr. Joseph Wong and Legend's Row, HM

Programs Plus



By Jenny Walker, Program Developer

The final countdown has begun; the Credits are just a few weeks away and it's all systems go at the office as we pull together the final pieces for the event. All the nominations have been received and the judges have met to make their final choices; it's an

exciting time. We've done things a little differently this year as those lucky enough to win will receive a unique glass sculpture, specially commissioned for the event from Kelly Lowe. Kelly is one of the rising stars in the glass world and is also a resident artist at Mississauga's Living Arts Centre where her work can be purchased in their gift shop or at www.kellyloweglass.com

Tickets are selling out fast and we expect a capacity crowd on the night. Many groups are making it a local celebration, buying tables of 10 to support and celebrate the nominees which come from many different communities.

Join us as we congratulate our nominees in the following categories:

Lifetime Achievement Award

Bernice Cunningham, Jack Jelilian & Mike Toth

Business Leader Award

Gears (Ira Kargel and Kevin Wallace), Nance MacDonald, Mississauga Chinese Centre, & Dr. Victoria Santiago

Community Heritage Award

Tahir Ali, Canadian Federation of University Women, Culture Philippines of Ontario, Margaret & Gord Hughes, Linda Joanne Krywko, Mississauga Chinese Business Association, Rt. Rev. Dr. Roman Pankiw, People of Motherland Cultural Association, Jack Prazeres, Streetsville Ceilidh

Heritage Champion Award

MP Mississauga Streetsville Brad Butt, City of Mississauga Councillor Pat Mullin

Heritage Youth Award

Elizabeth Amos, Jackson Amos, Justine del Rosario and Yvon Laforteza, Robert Di Pede, Claire Powell, Marek Ruta, Din Selmanovic, Enna Selmanovic

Natural Heritage Award

EcoSource, Louise Peacock, Rattray Marsh Restoration Team

Our thanks also go to the staff of the Mississauga Grand Banquet & Convention Centre. Sam, Irene and the teamhave been great to work with in addition to Mississauga's youth groups who will be providing entertainment for the night. The local business community has also been very



supportive with new sponsorship being received from Pallett Valo LLP, Rogers TV, Kimberley Phinney, The Print Gurus and Dr Victoria Santiago - a local dentist, in addition to almost 30 local businesses who have kindly donated prizes for our silent auction which will be held at the event. Heritage Mississauga would also like to thank our wonderful awards committee who have all worked so hard to make this event a success: Chair Jake Dheer, Luz del Rosario, Winnie Fung, Caitlin MacDonald, Jennifer Skeath, Anne Brabant and Sameen Butt, thanks guys, we couldn't have done it without you! This is promising to be a great community event; we look forward to seeing old friends and new, and to making it a great night for heritage.



Tickets are \$65.00 and can be purchased by calling the Heritage office 905-828-8411 ext. '0' or by email at info@heritagemississauga.org.

Meandering in old Mississauga

By Matthew Wilkinson, Historian, Heritage Mississauga

Old Malton

In researching and sharing the history of our wonderful city over the years, we have come to realize that there is one area in particular in our city that is

lacking in regards assembled documentation, recorded oral histories, and published materials: Malton. In many ways,

Malton is a forgotten place in our city.

While Malton has certainly had numerous published and unpublished histories, including A Study of Malton by Donald Paterson (1957), Malton Memories: Pioneers to Airport by Angus Scully, et al (1981), and Malton: Farms to Flying by Kathleen Hicks (2006), for me they all hint at the same underlying theme: there is a lot we do not know, a lot that remains unrecorded or misunderstood about Malton's unique story.

Tomlinson House, HM

and Airport Road, was laid out as a railway town in conjunction with the Grand Trunk Railway developments. The road network from this 1854 survey of "old Malton" is largely intact today, and is a unique if relatively unknown part of Mississauga's history.

The street names of the old Malton town site all derive from place names in Yorkshire England, much like the name of

> Malton itself. North Alarton (an apparent misspelling of Northallerton in Yorkshire), Knaseboro (Knaresborough in Yorkshire), Beverley, Harrow (after Harrogate in Yorkshire), Scarboro (Scarborough in Yorkshire), Studley (apparently after Studley Royal Park in Yorkshire), Hull (Kingston-upon-Hull in Yorkshire), Ripon and Cattrick (Catterick in Yorkshire) all seem to confirm that the name Malton and the streets that formed the old town site as surveyed in 1854-55 were inspired by the countryside in Yorkshire, England.

That Malton was home to several newspapers over time is another chapter of Malton's unique identity: *The Malton Times* (c1944), *The Malton Pilot* (1969-1977), *The Malton Courier*

(c1973), The Malton Mercury (1977-c1978), and The Malton Messenger (1979-c1980) all contributed to and helped to identify the unique Malton story,

Although the Malton area began to see its first settlers in the early 1820s, it is unclear when the name of "Malton" actually became associated with the area. Although local "legend" has indicated that Richard Halliday named the area informally around 1820 after his birthplace (Malton, England), there is little proof to support this naming of the village. The name of

Malton came into formal existence with the registration of the town site survey by John Stoughton Dennis on October 5th, 1855, and with the opening of the first post office under Postmaster Isaac Sanderson in 1856. The town site, at the northwest corner of what is now Derry Road

Former Methodist Church, HM

In our effort to discover more of the story of old Malton, we uncover names we know precious little about: James Sanderson and George Blain are two such names. Who were they, why did they come to own many of the early village lots,

and did they leave anything behind to tell of their Malton story? A stunning old home on Sledman Street hints at a construction date of circa 1870, but who built it? The style of construction would suggest some level of prosperity, but it remains a bit of a mystery. The former Knox Presbyterian Church building and adjacent manse, now both private homes, survive on Burlington Street. The old common laneways laid carriage access to the rear of village lots, as surveyed by John Stoughton Dennis, remain on the landscape, as does what was

formerly laid out as the market square. And maybe, just maybe, the residence of Joseph Foster survives on Harrow Street.

More discoveries, and perhaps some answers, await us as we continue to delve into the history of old Malton.

The Legend of the Arrow

Volume One of *The Grange* Comic Book recalls a true Mississauga legend



Councillor Crombie, Councillor Starr, Culture Division Director Susan Burt and Robert Cohen CASM join Barbara O'Neil, Jayme Gaspar and the Comic Book Team of Madd Sketch & Spent Pencil for a picture with the Arrow, HM

The story of the Arrow began in 1952 when the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) looked to develop a new all-weather jet interceptor capable of extremely high levels of performance. The RCAF contracted A.V. Roe Canada (AVRO Canada), which was based in Malton, Ontario (now part of the City of Mississauga). Avro had already produced the CF-100 "Canuck", Canada's first all-weather jet interceptor.

In 1953 research and design for the CF-105 supersonic all-weather jet interceptor began, with formal production and testing starting in 1954. Dubbed the "Arrow", ultimately five Mark I Arrows soared in the skies above historic Mississauga (RL-201, 202, 203, 204 & 205). The first CF-105 "AVRO Arrow" was rolled out on October 4th, 1957. The first test flight took place on March 25th, 1958. The future of aviation in Canada seemed bright.

Only four pilots took the controls of the Arrow in flight: Janusz (Jan) "Zura" Zurakowski (1914-2004), perhaps the most celebrated of the Arrow pilots, was the lead test pilot for the program until 1958; Wladyslaw "Spud" Potocki (1919-1996) saw the most air time, flying over 34 hours in the Arrow; Peter Roland Cope (1921-2005) remarked that there "wasn't a single plane flying at the time that could come anywhere near to touching that aeroplane"; and the only Canadian-born pilot to fly the Arrow was Flight Lieutenant Jack Woodman (1925-1967) from the RCAF.

The five flying Arrows were powered by Pratt & Whitney J75 engines. In early 1959 the first Mark II Arrow, RL-206, was nearing completion and was to be fitted with the more powerful Orenda PS-13 "Iroquois" engine, but it never had the chance to fly.

On "Black Friday", February 20th of 1959, Prime Minister John

By Matthew Wilkinson, Historian, Heritage Mississauga

Diefenbaker announced the immediate cancellation of the AVRO Arrow program. All traces of the CF-105 program – planes, parts and plans – were ordered destroyed. In the weeks and months following the cancellation, the five flying Arrows were cut into scrap, and the nearly finished RL-206 and all in-production aircraft were dismantled. What might have been?

Considered the most advanced aircraft of its time, the story of the CF-105 Arrow is still the subject of tremendous controversy and discussion.

Volume One of *The Grange* comic book series introduces the Arrow to a brand new audience of young Mississauga residents.



The Arrow replica, Doors Open, HM

The Arrow Comes Home, Well, sort of.

The only full-scale replica of the CF-105 Avro "Arrow" was on display at the International Centre in Malton, Mississauga on September 28th, as part of the City's Doors Open program, and for the Canadian Manufacturing Technology Show until October 3rd. The replica, which brings to life the famed aircraft that was built, and destroyed, in Malton (now part of Mississauga) in the 1950s, was on loan from the Canadian Air and Space Museum.

The International Centre itself, in its original form, was connected to the development of the Arrow, specifically as a site for the manufacturing and testing of engine components for the CF-105 program, and is located across Airport Road from the former A.V. Roe Canada site (now demolished).

Speaking of the Avro Arrow replica and the Canadian Air and Space Museum (formerly located at Downsview Park in Toronto), there are hopes to bring the museum to a new permanent home in Mississauga in the coming years. Stay tuned.

Early Doctors and Medicine in Historic Mississauga: Part Two

Many of the first to arrive in the area were Loyalists coming up from the United States and as the century opened up, more and more immigrants flocked to the area. By 1810 there were some 200 new immigrants to the region. The land although fertile was by no means inviting. In his Medical Topography of

Upper Canada John Douglas says that he had in "traversing a country in many parts so wild and desolate, and observing, scattered over its surface, a number of families separated from each other, and secluded from civilized society, the mind is irresistibly prompted to feel for a condition of life so forlorn and desolate." The early settlers to the region would have faced this isolation and seclusion from civilized society. However as more people came to the region the isolation became less and the distance between neighbours got smaller. The township boasted only 185 people in 1809 the majority of whom were children but by 1820 the population

had quadrupled to 803 people. In addition to these people the township had its native residents. In 1805 the last un-ceded section of lakefront land was transferred from the Native Mississaugas to the British Crown. This was the geographic and cultural landscape of the horseback doctor. He traversed the land going from one small isolated farm to the next, visiting the Mississaugas on the reserve and ensuring that those attempting to build a home out of the forest managed to see their first harvest.



Quinine Sulfate,

For the people on their isolated farms the doctor was not called for every bump or bruise. The doctor was a last resort. The cost alone prohibited families from calling on him for anything less than a dire situation. It then fell to the women in the household to act as the first and sometimes only line of defence when it came to medical issues. Many women had basic knowledge of herbal remedies which were passed on to them from their mothers. Vintage Apothecary Pamphlets and books were also widely circulated which outlined the different

herbs in the region and what they could be used for as well as other home medical remedies. One such pamphlet which was widely distributed was the Canadian Herbal. This was printed in Hamilton Ontario in 1851 and it contains descriptions of many of the herbs and plants native to Upper Canada and their uses in combatting common ailments.

There are many earlier examples of these pamphlets however this is one of the few printed in Canada. The native Mississauga population would have had extensive knowledge of the medicinal properties of the plants in the area and it is possible that they would have shared some of that information with the European population. Dandelion for example could be used as a diuretic and burdock was used as a cough medicine.



The Medicine Box, Texas Medical Centre Library

In addition to these basic herbal remedies most women would have an at home medical chest or dispensary which contained much more lethal remedies. Such a chest would have contained a variety of remedies which would not have been found in the average pioneer garden, such as a bottle of Vitriol which was diluted sulphuric acid. It was used as an emetic. The chest may also have contained Magnesia Calcinate which was used primarily as a laxative. The chest would also have contained two of the most widely used drugs in the pioneer pharmacopeia: Quinine,

which was used to combat Malaria, and Calomel, which is Mercurous Chloride and was used as a diuretic, purgative and intestinal antiseptic. Of all of the medicines in the home medical chest Calomel was one of the most dangerous as it is extremely toxic. These chests were often one of the only items brought with the family when they emigrated ensuring that minor ailments would be taken care of.



Richard's Ramblings

Richard Collins returns in the next issue as he talks about Mississauga's First Mayor, Dr.Martin Dobkin. Stay Tuned.



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Todd Ladner



Stranger Takes a Cheap Shot at Lammerse Service Station

By James Walker

The evening of April 5th, 1938, was a dark and cold one. The winter of that year was reluctant to give way to the new life of spring, and wisps of snow still

swirled in the dusky light thanks to consistently negative temperatures. Garritt Lammerse and his wife were beginning to close up their Britannia Village service station for the night, when a man entered the store and without warning, shot Garritt in the stomach before making off with the contents of the cash register.

Garritt and his wife, who is unnamed in the newspapers of the day, were both born in Amsterdam, Holland, where they were educated and married before

immigrating to North America in 1908. They initially settled in Detroit, and then moved to Mimico where they lived for 18 years before moving to Britannia. Garritt was a painter by trade, but bought the service station in September 1937 in the hopes of earning a living through less exerting work. They had been proprietors of the service station for less than a year when he was shot for the contents of the till.

An especially chilling aspect of the crime is the fact that the bandit shot Garritt in the stomach without uttering so much as a warning or a statement of his intention to rob the couple's business. "He just pulled the trigger and shot my husband through the stomach and then said, 'Hand over that money'", Mrs Lammerse was quoted as saying after the robbery. In cowardly fashion, he incapacitated both the Lammerses (he pushed Mrs. Lammerse to the ground, injuring her in the process) before making off with meagre fruits of his brutal crime. The full cost, it would later become clear, was far greater than the money residing within the cash drawer of the service station register.

Once the thug had departed, Mrs Lammerse was able to raise the alarm and get help for her wounded husband. Garritt was taken to Peel Memorial Hospital, and appeared to be responding to medical care. "He had improved so much on Friday and Saturday we thought he had a pretty good chance to get better," said son-in-law P. McKenzie when he was interviewed by The Star. Despite being conscious and coherent while in hospital, he seemed to understand the fate that was closing in on him. While talking with a neighbour, one Mr. C.W. Johnston, from his hospital bed,

Garritt told him "I don't want to die, but I guess I'll have to."His final question: "Have they got the crook yet who shot me?" would be one to which he would never hear the desired

DIES IN PEEL HOSPITAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DOOR Murder Charge Awaits As SETTERS BLOCKADE Young Master's Delay Brings merse, Aged 61 SHOT ON HIGHWAY For once the door leading to Rosedale United church Sunday school was not wide open yesterday—for, it good reasons.

Two black and white English setters, pets of one of the scholars, followed him to school, and tried desperately to join him in class. Hence many children had to generate through the martially open-

BRITANNIA HOLD-UP VICTIM

Howls of Protest

Brampton. April 11—A charge of murder awaits the capture of the hold-up man who shot Garrill Lam-merse at his Britannia service station last Wednesday evening. The 61-year-old victim died in Peol Memorial hospital here at five o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Toronto Star, April 11, 1938

answer, nor would his family or descendants to this day. Garritt lapsed into unconsciousness at around noon for the final time after asking this question, and was pronounced dead at 5 o'clock pm on the tenth of April, 1938. He was 61 years old, and was survived by Mrs. Lammerse, their two daughters, and one son. His funeral was held two days after his death, and he was interred at Park Lawn Cemetery in Toronto.

Immediately after he passed away, Dr. Allan Noble performed an autopsy on

Garritt's body, and found the lethal bullet lodged in his stomach. The doctors had been unable to remove the bullet while the patient was alive for fear of causing further internal bleeding and resolved to give Garrett every possible chance to recuperate from his wounds with bed rest. Once removed, the bullet was taken as evidence into the possession of the police by Provincial Constable T.H. Owens. The police kept the details of their investigation secret while it was ongoing, perhaps for fear of giving the assailant a better chance to avoid capture, or perhaps because they were making no headway in finding him and did not want to admit this shortcoming.

A province-wide manhunt was conducted to no avail, and although people were questioned in Paris and London (Ontario; this was not an international manhunt!), no one was arrested or held on suspicion of armed robbery and murder. Of the people questioned in relation with the robbery, only three made it into the papers of the day. A self-confessed robber, Albert Emerson of Kitchener was interviewed by police after he robbed a service station in Stratford and a butcher's shop in Tavistock. He would not give up the name of his accomplice, and was put in a police lineup with 15 other men. Mrs. Lammerse came in to view the lineup but did not recognize any of the men, letting Emerson off the hook for that particular wrongdoing. Two men arrested in Orillia were also questioned in relation with the killing. They were reportedly found to have burglary tools, a loaded .38 revolver, and dynamite in their car at the time of their apprehension. The arresting officer reported that upon his

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Mississauga Remembers



By Matthew Wilkinson, Historian, Heritage Mississauga

Dark Days of 1813

In the early evening of Monday, April 26th, 1813, sentries atop the Scarborough Bluffs experienced the dreaded sight of enemy ships bearing

down on York (now Toronto). Signals warned the town and garrison of their approach. The bells of St. James' Church told of the news as the garrison's signal gun boomed out the warning and summoned volunteer militiamen to York. On April 27th, 1813, American forces overwhelmed the York garrison, and the capital of Upper Canada, York, capitulated. During the brief American occupation, many public buildings, including the Parliament buildings, government stores, and private property were looted and destroyed. Many citizens who were less than loyal joined in the plundering.



Buring of the King's Head Inn by Roger Ferreira, Canadian Art Cards

Although militiamen from historic Mississauga largely served in the Niagara region during the war as members of the 2nd Regiment of York Militia, the fall of York was close to home. Many of those who were not on duty in April of 1813 would have seen the American flotilla advancing on York, and many more would have heard the rumblings of cannon and musket fire and the dreadful explosion of the grand magazine. With the fall of York, an American victory in the war and the fall of Upper Canada may have seemed a distinct possibility.

A few militia volunteers with ties to historic Mississauga were present at York when the American attack came, and would have brought the sad news about the capture of York and the British retreat back to Toronto Township. Among those with connections to historic Mississauga whose names appear on staff and militia muster records during the defence of York are: John Belcher Sr., Charles Cameron, Henry Carpenter, Warren Clarkson, James Davidson, Samuel Mercer, John Beverley Robinson, and William Thompson.

After the capture of York in April of 1813, and in advance of planned invasions in Niagara, American forces planned a strategic attack on a key British supply depot at Burlington Bay. The Government House (known locally as the King's Head Inn) was built circa 1794 and during the War of 1812 operated as a British supply depot.

On May 10th, 1813, a small American force, supported by

naval vessels *Governor Tompkins* and *Conquest*, landed along Burlington Beach, near the Government House (King's Head Inn). Captain Samuel Hatt, together with around 30 local militia from the 5th Lincoln and 2nd York regiments, responded to the American attack. Outmanned and outgunned, and realizing the futility of their action, the militia quickly

withdrew after a brief engagement, suffering several casualties in the process. The attacking American force raided the supply depot and burned the King's Head Inn. Privates Alphews Hemphill, Isaac Hendershott and Daniel Wilcox with the 2nd York resided in Toronto Township (Mississauga) and were on service at Burlington Heights during the American attack, and may have participated in the attempted defence of the Inn.

On May 25th, 1813, American batteries on the Niagara River opened fire on

Fort George, destroying the main British fort on the Niagara River after a day-long bombardment. On the morning of May 27th, 1813, some 4,500 American troops landed on the Lake Ontario shore west of Niagara. Outnumbered nearly two to one, the British, Canadian Militia and First Nations warriors were overwhelmed by the cannon fire from the American vessels. British Brigadier-General John Vincent abandoned positions on the Niagara Peninsula and ordered a retreat to Burlington Heights after suffering heavy losses. This retreat thwarted the American plans to cut off and destroy the British force between Queenston and Niagara.

The Americans, having captured the British fort and the town of Newark (now Niagara-on-the-Lake) set up their base at



Death of Cpt McNeil, Battle of York by BTA Griffiths, www

Fort George to support a planned invasion of Upper Canada. April and May of 1813, and into the fall of 1813, marked some of the darker days for the British Crown and the citizens of Upper Canada during the war.





The Port Credit Lawn Bowling Club (Mississauga, Ontario) Looking Forward to its Centennial Next Year

The Port Credit Lawn Bowling Club will be proudly celebrating its centennial in 2014. There is no shortage of energy at the club as it is getting ready for and looking forward to this special milestone year. This energy is being driven by a 100th Anniversary C o m m i t t e e,



(100th Anniversary Committee: Left to right, Eldon McFadyen, Club President Jackie Tjelios, Anna Carr, Blair Munshaw, Gordon Kerr, Frank Schneider, Fran Todd)

organized in 2011, by Chair, Fran Todd, with the following goal in mind: "Through teamwork, create a very special anniversary year for our club and its members".

With such a clear objective, the anniversary committee, supported by some 40 volunteers, has been abuzz with preparations for next year's celebrations.

Among its activities, the committee has already created a special centennial club pin and a centennial logo which it hopes to use on merchandise that will be available for sale to its members. The committee has already used these brands on a new anniversary-themed club letterhead that can be used by Port Credit for years to come.

These special brands are also being used on 2013 club posters to help get the membership "in the mood" for next year. An "anniversary wall" has been created within the club house to keep everyone up to date on plans and activities. The membership is truly getting "in the mood" as they continuously provide their generous support of a variety of club-sanctioned fund raisers.

The committee is decoratively "scrap booking" the club's photo album to the end of 2013 with a plan to create a special 100^{th} Anniversary photo album. The 100^{th} anniversary committee has also initiated the production of a history booklet currently being prepared by long time, and well known member, Eldon McFadyen. This booklet will describe the hard work and initiative of dedicated founding individuals who "got things going" as early as 1912, leading to the "birth" of the club in 1914 at Park St. and Highway 10 in

Port Credit. The committee is hopeful that many of the club's past members will be present for the 2014 centennial celebration. With this in mind, the committee will be extending invitations to those past club members whose whereabouts are still known.

The history booklet also describes how the club, through an arrangement with the City of Mississauga, transferred to its current location within The Cawthra Community Centre (now called The Carmen Corbasson Centre) on Cawthra Road just south of the QEW. Following the Official Opening, in 1994, of the new location by Mayor Hazel McCallion, Port Credit has been enjoying its beautiful surroundings since that time.

Mayor McCallion has been an honourary member of the club since 1983. Port Credit is hopeful that she, along with other invited dignitaries, will be available to participate in the 100th Anniversary celebration.

Beginning with an Opening Day centennial celebration, the 2014 season will be filled with anniversary-themed events that the committee is planning. Among these events, Port Credit is very proud to have been selected as the host site for the 2014 Provincial Mixed Pairs Championship. During its very special milestone year, the club is looking forward to welcoming district winning mixed bowlers from across Ontario.

Port Credit is indeed "preparing for its centennial" and is looking forward to "celebrating its centennial" in 2014.

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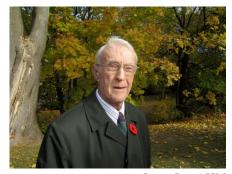
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Community News

Remembering Lorne Speers Joyce (1926-2013)



Lorne Joyce, HM

Optometrist Historian Lorne Joyce was born and raised in the Port Credit and Bronte area. Lorne was a Navy Veteran of WWII, an amateur Marine Historian and a local Optometrist. He was honoured with a lifetime achievement award

recently by the Lieut. Governor.

Lorne was a champion of local and marine history, with a particular passion for the history of Port Credit and all things nautical. Lorne regaled our community for many years with rich stories of Port Credit marine heritage, relaying stories of the days of the stonehooking trade, the rumrunners and the commercial fishery that once thrived out of the Port Credit harbour.

Lorne Joyce lived and breathed the history of Port Credit all of his life; he grew up with an appreciation of the importance of remembering the people, places and events that came before us, shaping who we are today.

From its beginning in 1963, Lorne supported the Mississauga South Historical Society as a member, as Past President and member of the Executive, sharing historical information, stories, and folklore with its members and displaying the many artefacts and historical images from his personal collections. Lorne contributed his knowledge and expertise to several publications on local history. Lorne was also a proud supporter of Heritage Mississauga and the Marine Museum in Michigan.

In 1999, Heritage Mississauga recognized Lorne's significant contributions to local history with the MHF Heritage Award. In 2006 Lorne received a Cultural Heritage Award from the Ontario Heritage Trust for outstanding contributions as a volunteer with a historical society, museum or historic site.

Predeceased by his parents Louis and Edith (Speers) Joyce, and his 3 brothers Samuel, Charles and Edwin. He leaves his wife Mary Elizabeth (Betty) (Hutchinson) Joyce and 3 children Shirley (Ron Lysen), Ottawa; Grant Joyce (Geannerise), Antigua W.I; and Gordon Joyce (Cathie), Port Credit and 5 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

The heritage community of Mississauga has truly lost one of its beloved and respected alumni and Lorne will be truly missed by all who knew him.

Remembering Benson (Ben) Madill (1915-2013)



Ben Madill receiving the Lt. Governors Award, Ontario Heritage Trust

Ben Madill epitomized a lifetime of giving and is fondly remembered and well respected in Mississauga's heritage community. He regaled generations with his stories and knowledge of the "old days" of Britannia, of farming, of life in a

one-room schoolhouse in the midst of what is now the City of Mississauga.

Ben's extensive knowledge of farming techniques, including rope making and woodworking, were exceptional - equalled only by his love for sharing his knowledge with young and old. His passion for clocks - his former home at Britannia was literally filled with clocks - was a source of interest and humour for all who visited him. Ben was a long-time supporter of local history and heritage, giving tirelessly of his time, energy and enthusiasm over the years to the Friends of the Old Britannia Schoolhouse, Heritage Mississauga, his beloved Britannia United Church and Cemetery, and the Peel Art Gallery, Museum and Archives (PAMA), amongst many other organizations. From blue potatoes and hand-made toys to his wooden bicycle, Ben shared his enthusiasm for the world around him with all who knew him. Over the years at Heritage Showcase exhibits Ben could often be found assisting the Friends or displaying his own clocks, much to the delight of visitors.

Always humble, Ben has been honoured twice with awards from Heritage Mississauga (1999 & 2007) for his involvement in the community, and in 2010 Ben received the Lieutenant Governor's Heritage Award for Lifetime Achievement.

Ben's memories of growing up and raising his own family in Britannia and of attending the Old Britannia Schoolhouse are recorded for future generations of Mississauga residents in three books:

Britannia School and School Farm ... and my school days Family History and Memoirs of Benson A. Madill Memoirs and Reflections of Benson A. Madill, Volume 2

Ben will be truly missed by all who knew him in Britannia, in Mississauga, and beyond.

"Live for to-day, but plan for to-morrow" – Ben Madill

Remembering Leonard Walsh (1956-2013)



Leonard Walsh was a true friend and supporter of heritage and history in Mississauga, particularly in his beloved home of Port Credit. Over the years Leonard volunteered his time in support of Heritage Leonard Walsh, HM Mississauga's "Haunted Mississauga" program,

Doors Open Mississauga, and the Port Credit 175th Anniversary Celebrations in 2010. Leonard was a founding member of the Friends of Old Port Credit, and strong supporter of other local resident groups and initiatives. Leonard was the recipient of a Members' Choice Award from Heritage Mississauga in 2011.

Leonard was a dedicated member of our heritage community and a strong supporter of the Old Port Credit Heritage Conservation District. His original song, "Dundas Shale", as well as his enthusiasm for his community's history, helped to bring history to life.

Dundas Shale

Written and composed by: Leonard Walsh Ode to Stonehookers September 16, 2007 http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7zIBoVHmEIs

The Harbour was dark, and the crews were a gathering Morning begins, the sun would hail Young and old worked, there's no lamenting They hunted their quarry for "old Dundas Shale"

Dundas Shale, Dundas Shale Toronto needed "old Dundas Shale" Dundas Shale, Dundas Shale Port Credit supplied "old Dundas Shale"

With ships and stonehooks, the boys began raking The bottom would yield its treasure by sail Men stood strong and loaded their takings The boats were filled with "old Dundas Shale"

Chorus

The sun began setting, the men needed feeding They steered to Port Credit as if in a gale It was at the harbour the ships they'd be leaving With fifty more tons of "old Dundas Shale"

Chorus

NOW ONLINE!

The Port Credit News, The Port Credit Weekly, The Weekly and The South Peel Weekly

By Dorothy Kew, Canadian Room, Mississauga Library System



Thanks to generous funding from the Halton-Peel Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society and a partnership with the Mississauga Library System, these newspapers may now be browsed and searched for free on the Canadiana Discovery Portal, http://search.canadiana.ca.

Search "Mississauga Library System" (including "") to see all the newspapers and issues available. Credit information for each paper is given under its About tab.

Your searches will get good results, but they may not be complete because of imperfections in the microfilm. No original negatives could be found so the project went ahead with film that had been in public use.

The Port Credit News was published until 1937 when it amalgamated with The Conservator which covered the City of Brampton and Peel County, including Port Credit and Toronto Township in South Peel.

The Port Credit Weekly was established in 1938. It served the Village of Port Credit and Toronto Township. Paid circulation on December 31, 1938 was 487. Readership increased substantially in the 1950s as the population of South Peel grew and development changed the landscape. In 1959 the paper was reintroduced as *The Weekly* and its masthead expanded to include the suburban districts in Toronto Township of Applewood, Clarkson, Cooksville, Dixie, Erindale, Lakeview, Lorne Park and Park Royal as well as the villages of Port Credit and Streetsville. Paid circulation on January 15, 1959 was 6,238.

The Weekly was renamed The South Peel Weekly in 1968 when Toronto Township and its many communities became the Town of Mississauga. Displayed on the masthead were the towns of Mississauga, Port Credit and Streetsville. Paid circulation on November 30, 1967 was 10,651.

Canadiana was established in 1978 as the Canadian Institute for Historical Microreproductions (CIHM). It merged with the Canadian Initiative for Digital Libraries and Alouette Canada in 2005 and as Canadiana.org has taken a leadership role in the digital preservation of Canadian research and heritage.

Heritage Mississauga in the News!

Thompson's Company, 2nd Regiment of York Militia

War of 1812 Re-enactment Company

www.heritagemississauga.com/page/Thompsons-Company-2nd-York

Thompson's Company was formed by passionate volunteers to honour the contributions of volunteer militiamen historic Mississauga (formerly Toronto Township) who served in a variety of capacities during the War of 1812.

Thompson's Company functions, in part, as an educational component of Heritage Mississauga by participating in community events and functions. We drill regularly, and have participated in numerous community events in 2013, including the Streetsville Bread & Honey Festival, Doors Open Mississauga, Haunted Mississauga 2013, Remembrance Day ceremonies and the Santa Claus Parade, to name a few. We are new, and we are looking for recruits! To join you need to have an interest in local history and the War of 1812, and we will help and guide you from there!



Thompson's Company at Dixie Union Cemetery, Doors Open 2013, HM

Looking back on Haunted Mississauga 2013

Thank you to the dedicated "Spirit Team" that brought the 12th annual Haunted Mississauga evening to life on October 25th at the Bradley Museum. A fun evening of local history indeed, and based on a true story, our spirited story was entitled "The Monger Affair" and was set in October of 1814. The evening featured British officers attempting to find and arrest one Benjamin Monger for refusing to give up his horse to a British General.

Special thanks to the cast and crew of Haunted Mississauga 2013: Phil Booker Jr., Phil Booker Sr., Greg Carraro, Richard Collins, Kristen Csenkey, Erika Deutsch, Matthew Didier, Lindsay Doren, Elaine Eigl, John Eigl, Meaghan FitzGibbon, Adam French, Evan Gaspar, Jayme Gaspar, Les Gaspar, Fran Goddu, Annemarie Hagan, Bryan Ho, Amanda Jubraj, Denise



Cast and Crew of Haunted Mississauga 2013, HM

Mahoney, Nicole Mair, Scott Mair, Samantha Pope, Rebecca Rusk, Robert Smol, Sue St. Clair, Jenny Walker, Jane Watt, Matthew Wilkinson, Joe Zammit, Heritage Mississauga, Museums of Mississauga & Thompson's Company of the 2nd Regiment of York Militia Re-enactment Unit. It was a truly enjoyable and memorable evening, and see you in 2014!



Honouring War of 1812 Veterans!

The first of six interpretive panels dedicated to honouring the Veterans of the War of 1812, was unveiled at Doors Open 2013. Participating in the unveiling at Dixie Union Chapel and Cemetery are Duncan Willock, Chair of the "Mississauga in 1812" celebration, Mississauga Streetsville M.P. Brad Butt, and Councillor Chris Fonseca, with support from Thompson's Company.

(Image, HM)

Darker Side cont'd....

giving the order to freeze, one of the men began to reach into his jacket pocket. Had the officer not already had his gun drawn, he would likely have been shot with the revolver concealed in the man's jacket.

In a statement discussing the few leads that the police did have, Inspector A.H. Palmer was quoted by The Star as saying "The description of a stranger seen in the vicinity of Britannia on the day of the shooting tallies closely enough with the murderer in one or two ways to warrant our assuming that it was he." One would hope that this stranger was indeed the man they were looking for, and not a wild goose chase for the police.

The source of Inspector Palmer's sketch of the assailant was the description of the stranger that the Lammerse's neighbors gave after the robbery. They described him as being around the age of twenty five, with long brown hair and a fair complexion. He was clean shaven with "thin" features, and a pointed chin. Dressed quite well in a brown suit and matching fedora, it was he estimated that he stood at five feet ten inches and weighed one hundred and seventy pounds. He reportedly spoke English well, with the pronunciation of someone with a decent level of education, and was also wearing a rudimentary mask, perhaps a scarf, tied across his face. However his mask was designed, it wasn't very effective in its task, as it allowed Mrs. Lammerse and her neighbors to build a rather thorough description of his features.

Mrs. Lammerse also sustained injury during the raid, despite only Garritt being shot at. Although the newspapers of the day do not specify the extent of her injuries, or their location on her body, we know that she was pushed to the ground by the gunman and this is when she was injured. In addition to physical injury, she suffered severe shock at seeing her husband shot in the stomach and the service station that they had both worked so hard at, robbed.

A column published in The Star on October 30th, 1939, told of Mrs. Lammerse having succumbed to an untimely death, caused in no small part by the extreme shock and injury that she suffered at the hands of the service station bandit. She reportedly developed signs of the unnamed illness around seven months before her death, which occurred on Saturday October 28th, 1939, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Toronto. Like Garritt, she was 61 years old at the time of her death. According to The Star, Mrs. Lammerse was "Quite active and was an ardent worker in Britannia United Church," until the murder of her husband, but faded from church life as her condition steadily worsened. Perhaps she had no desire to remain in the world after her husband had left it, and succumbed to her illness more readily because of her longing for Garritt. Her funeral was held on October 30th, 1939, and she was buried beside him in Park Lawn Cemetery. We can only hope that being reunited with him in death relieved her

lonely soul. The case was never solved, and the gunman was never brought to justice, despite the Toronto Township council offering a reward of \$100 for information leading to his arrest. The reward was announced on April 11th, 1938, by Reeve E.D. Maguire, and was unanimously backed by all council members after a telephone canvas was conducted. A 'blanket warrant' (which is essentially a search warrant with no address written on it, allowing police to search anywhere that they believe the suspect may be in hiding) was issued by Crown Attorney A.C. Davis, but again to no avail.

We can take some meagre comfort in the fact that Mrs. Lammerse didn't live without Garrett for a long time after the robbery, as she would have ended her days, regardless of their number, knowing that her husband's killer had never been caught and punished. We can only hope that the mysterious stranger mentioned by Inspector Palmer was indeed the bandit, and that the police were not wasting their time and allowing the real culprit to escape while they chased a false lead.

Did You Know?

The lost landscape of the Arrow?



For many, the story of the AVRO CF-105 "Arrow" is a chapter from our past, and beyond a few remnants, stories, a myriad of images, and numerous books and movies, many younger residents of our city may be excused for thinking that the famed Arrow belongs to myth and legend. It can sometimes be hard to place the events surrounding the creation (and destruction) of the aircraft "on the ground" today, given that Malton, and Mississauga, have experienced so much growth and change in the 50-plus years since the Arrow soared above historic Mississauga. But there are remnants, although the assembly line, A.V. Roe Canada offices, and hangars associated with the Arrow are all gone. The origins of the International Centre are tied to aviation and to the AVRO Arrow as a portion of the building was built in the 1950s for prototype engine design, development and assembly, as well as for the development of fuselage components for the Arrow. The Orenda Engines facility, built in the mid-1950s as a subsidiary of A.V. Roe Canada, is now home to Magellan Aerospace and is located at 3160 Derry Road East in Malton. Based on historical aerial photography, other buildings that survive today and were contemporary with the Arrow, and located in close proximity to the A.V. Roe site, include buildings at 6969 Airport Road (now an auto facility) and 6841 Airport Road. If anyone has information and images on the early function of these, or other, buildings connected to the Arrow, we would be interested in hearing from you.

Heritage Matters

Heritage Mississauga

Exhibits

Debbie Hatch Discovery Centre

Oct. 24, 2013-Jan. 10, 2014 "Stories" a solo art show by Sheena Currie

Lower Exhibit Hall

Until Feb. 28 2014 ALFEW-Aggregation 13

Events

Nov. 21-The Credits Award evening

Dec. 8 6-9 Enjoy old fashioned Christmas Carolling around an outdoor campfire, with a cup of hot chocolate and fun for the whole family. We're celebrating our 53rd birthday, cake will be served at 7pm. Please bring a non-perishable donation for the Deacons Cupboard Food bank at St. Peter's Anglican Church. **Feb. 8 2014** 10-3 Genealogy Workshop will be on Researching your WW1 Ancestor

Art Gallery of Mississauga www.artgalleryofmississauga.com

Friends of the Britannia Schoolhouse

Dec 8, A Victorian Christmas! Open House & Sale! See the schoolhouse decorated in its Christmas splendor. Make a Christmas ornament to decorate your home. There will be a limited amount of our items available for sale - toys, notecards, beeswax candles etc.!

Dec 9, See the Schoolhouse decorated in Victorian Christmas style. Make a traditional tree ornament and enjoy tea and cookies **Jan 12, 2014**-Sir John A. MacDonald! Come and learn about Canada's First Prime Minister. Help to celebrate his birthday January 11!

Feb 9, 2014-Valentine's Day! Learn about the history of Valentine's Day, read and listen to some Valentine stories, then make a card for your special Valentine!

Halton Peel Branch of the Ontario Genealogical Society

For info contact Jane Watt jwatt@ica.net 905-281-1701 **Nov. 24,** 2-4 "New Peel Archives". Noted genealogist and Reference Archivist at Region of Peel Archives Brian Gilchrist will discuss the newly-renovated archives and their collections.

Mississauga Arts Council www.mississaugaartscouncil.com

Mississauga South Historical Society

Nov. 14, 7-9 The South Peel Historical Society held its first meeting at the Port Credit Library on Nov. 6, 1963. The community was invited to join, move forward 50 years to Nov. 14, 2013. Just like our first meeting half a century ago, the members of Mississauga South Historical Society are extending an invitation to one and all to help celebrate 50 years of Mississauga history. Our guest speaker will be Alan Skeoch, please join us for entertainment and a birthday cake. P

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Museums of Mississauga

December 1, Downton Abbey Tea & Tour at Benares Historic House. Reservations are required

Gift Certificates available for purchase

November 30, 12 to 4 p.m. Pet Santa Photos, Bradley Museum Log Cabin

December 1, 12 to 4 p.m. Family Santa Photos, Bradley Museum Log Cabin

December 8, 12 to 4 p.m. Home for the Holidays, Benares Historic House, Bradley Museum and Leslie Log House. Free Admission

Streetsville Historical Society

December 8, 12 to 4pm Home for the Holidays Open House, Leslie Log House 4415 Mississauga Rd.

December 12, 7:00pm Speaker: Kay Matthews - Streetsville Heritage Tours, - Specialty Care 4350 Mississauga Rd.

Trafalgar Township Historical Society

For info contact Jane Watt jwatt@ica.net 905-281-1701 **Nov. 26** 7-9 Ruth Blair will speak on her book" Remembering Trafalgar Township"

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Join MSHS for the Celebration

The South Peel Historical Society held its first meeting at the Port Credit library on November 6, 1963. The community was invited to join the meeting.

Move forward 50 years to November 14, 2013.

Just like our first meeting half a century ago, the members of MSHS are extending an invitation to one and all to help us celebrate 50 years of celebrating Mississauga's history.



Our guest speaker will be Alan Skeoch. Alan is a long-time member of MSHS, and is a past president. But more that that, Alan is a recipient of the *Governor General's Award for Excellence in Teaching Canadian History* and *the Marshall McLuhan Outstanding Teacher Award*, and a noted *CBC Radio Noon* personality.

We'll have door prizes, an historic slide show, a much-deserved thank you to many who have volunteered their time and skills over the decades. Of course, there will be a birthday cake too – by our past president, and baker extraordinaire, Mary Finley.

It's free, and it takes place at Clarke Hall, 7 to 9 p.m., 161 Lakeshore Road West, Port Credit.