

Heritage News

Celebrating Over 200 Years of History

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Ghostly Tales, Native Legends and Lost Villages Await!

By Matthew Wilkinson, MHF Historian

Heritage Mississauga is currently working on three publications that will be released in the coming year. The publications culminate a long period of research and information-gathering, some of which have been ongoing for many years. The publications cover fascinating perspectives on Mississauga's history: ghost stories; the Native Mississaugas; and Mississauga's Lost Villages.

The first book, entitled "Haunted Mississauga", is currently being researched and written by author and historian, Terry Boyle, with assistance from Heritage Mississauga. The Book will investigate and document some of the ghostlier tales of Mississauga. Some of the sites looked at in the book include Cherry Hill House, Franklin House, the old Barber Woollen Mill, Cawthra-Elliott House, and the Gairdner Estate, amongst many others. The book will be published by the author, Terry Boyle, in Fall 2006, and will be available for purchase at the MHF office.



Creation Mural, Lloyd S. King Elementary School, MHF



Terry Boyle, MHF & www

A second book, entitled" In the Footsteps of the Mississaugas", chronicles the history of the Ojibway peoples who once lived in this area and settled at the mouth of the Credit River. Edited by MHF President Marian M. Gibson, and published by Heritage Mississauga, the Chamber Music Society and with funding from the Trillium Foundation, the book will provide a glimpse into a seldom-told story of and rich heritage of the City of Mississauga, and of the Mississaugas. The book will be available in early summer, 2006 from the MHF offices.

The third book in the works is a short publication highlighting Mississauga's "Lost Villages". This book will chronicle much of Mississauga's rural roots of hamlets

and cross-roads communities, such as Derry West, Elmbank, Frogmore, Mount Charles and Summerville, amongst many, many others. A quick read and a tour of many of the locations of former villages will guarantee that you will never look at Mississauga quite the same way again!



Britannia, c1900, MHF

In addition, Heritage Mississauga is working on updated versions of the self-guided walking-tour brochures for many of Mississauga's historic communities. Currently new brochures from Meadowvale Village and Port Credit are available. MHF is also in the process of creating a guide for conducting property research in Mississauga. This guide will connect a researcher to the ways and means of conducting property history research in Mississauga and Peel

County. Stay tuned to upcoming issues of the "Heritage News" for information relating to these exciting publications! Finally, for anyone interested in learning more about the history of our city, Heritage Mississauga's landmark publication "Mississauga The First 10,000 Years" is available through our office or at selected Chapters stores throughout Mississauga.



Mill Farm-Summerville, MHF

President's Message

By Marian M. Gibson

The Region of Peel Archives dedicated the newly refurbished William Perkins Bull Reading Room on Thursday, March 2, 2006. The Reading Room has had extensive upgrading and offers a wonderful opportunity for the community to research local, national and other history and genealogy, in comfort.



Perkins Bull Reading Room, ROPA

MHF has always had a close

working relationship with the staff of the Peel Heritage Complex, so we are very pleased that they are honouring William Perkins Bull and the magnificent works from his collection, with a room specially dedicated to his memory. We congratulate all those



Unveiling of the ROPA, from left:Christine Symons, Diane Allengame, Professor Thomas Symons and David Somers,

responsible for making this Research Facility Reading Room so attractive and accessible.

Present at the dedication was Professor Emeritus Thomas H.B. Symons, grandson of William, who told me that he had been a student volunteer assisting the army of people who helped move, restore and renovate the Bradley farmhouse, converting it into a museum.

Annual General Meeting

On Thursday, May 18, 2006, the Mississauga Heritage Foundation will be hosting its Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the Robinson-Adamson Grange, located at 1921 Dundas Street West. All members of the Foundation are invited to attend this AGM. Information regarding Resource Centre initiatives, educational programming, and special events will be discussed at this meeting. For more information, please contact Heritage Mississauga at (905) 828-8411 or via e-mail at info@heritagemississauga.org. We look forward to seeing you there as we continue to celebrate "Over 200 Years of History".

It was from these people, that during the early 1960's the Town Council requested they form the Township of Toronto Historical Foundation (which subsequently became the Mississauga Heritage Foundation). The TTHF received its Charter and the responsibility to become the management Board of the Bradley Museum. It continued to do so until the 1990's, when the City of Mississauga took over the task. A short while after setting up the TTHF, many of these volunteers, keen to remain involved with local history, also formed the Mississauga South Historical Society. The purpose of the group was to have speakers on topics of interest at meetings on

the third Tuesday of January, March, September and November. The Society since then has held regular meetings, and members also take part in other heritage activities in Mississauga.

Thomas Symons said, his grandfather had committed considerable effort to collecting and dataloguing the lives of local pioneers. This mass of interviews and



Perkins Bill Reading Room, ROPA

other material now forms the core original Perkins Bull Collection, moved to the Peel Heritage Complex in the 1990's. We owe a great deal to William Perkins Bull for his passionate research about Peel's history which has ensured such a rich variety of contents. These are now so carefully preserved and readily available from the County's Archives.

For more information about this collection and other archival material contact:

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Heritage Orthodontics Joins Erindale Village

By Dr. J. Eric Selnes, BA, BPHE, DDS, Msc, D. Ortho, FRCD (C)

It was a 12 month search for the ideal spot to build my new dream practice when my wife, Helene, showed me the most beautiful red brick house. A quick call to the real estate agent was made, followed by another to the accountant. I told him that I had just found my new practice location.... He said, "Buy it!!!"



Old Rectory c.1990, MHF

And so the journey began to restore our historical property. Helene made numerous calls and received great support from Mr. Mark Warrack, at the City of Mississauga, on the proper protocol for an historical renovation. After months of Architectural Plans and permits, the 6 month construction process began (sorry everyone!).

For those who have never visited 1556 Dundas St. W. (St. Peter's Anglican Church Rectory circa 1861), I can tell you that the place has undergone a transformation of which we are extremely proud. The restoration designs were completed with personal care and attention to detail. Our "design team" included me, my wife Helene and her father Zelko, who also is the General Contractor who lovingly transformed the drawings into reality; restoring this beautiful pre-confederation landmark to glory.



Old Rectory c.1950, MHF

Originally, this building had but a dirt crawl space and so we dug out and finished this to a full basement. This excavation lead us to fortunate discovery; the south foundation wall was crumbling due to frost damage, suggesting that it would have given way within a few years. The basement was subsequently underpinned and restored to last another 145 years! You will also note the careful replacement of all

the stone work along the foundation of the south-west corner where an old dilapidated porch was replaced, identically with a board and baton extension and period windows.

On the interior, the centre hall staircase was magnificently preserved and the interior walls removed to provide an open concept design. The exposed original brick was lovingly sandblasted and preserved along with all the original window casings, mantles, and front door. The restoration was designed to preserve, keep true to the era and yet provide a safe, warm clinical



Old Rectory Plaque, MHF

environment with the high tech nuances of our practice.

We invite you to drop in to visit the practice and feel the warmth of our restoration. We are very happy to be part of Erindale Village. We are proud of this heritage building and I have named my new practice in its honour.

Update from the Mississauga Sports Council

A sad note on the passing of one of Mississauga's sport pioneers. The following article was prepared by Mike Toth as a celebration of the life of Bert Oldershaw, Mississauga Sports Hall of Fame inductee.

In Memoriam Bert Oldershaw

1921-2006

Mississauga's sports community lost one of its most remarkable achievers when Bert Oldershaw passed away on March 28. He was 84. Olympic athlete, businessman, volunteer, visionary, dreamer, doer, incurable idealist, realist, mover and shaker - he had been all these and more. He



Bert, Oldershaw, Mississauga Sports Council

had also left an indelible mark on Mississauga's sports scene.

As an athlete, Bert Oldershaw holds the distinction of being the only Canadian to have ever reached three successive finals in Olympic canoe/kayak competitions in London 1948, Helsinki 1952 and Melbourne. Toronto-born Oldershaw is also the founding father of the Mississauga Canoe Club maybe on the surface not so glamorous an achievement as three Olympic finals, but in some respects even more significant. Canada has become one of the top 10 canoeing nations in the world and not a small part of this improvement can be credited to the significant contribution of the Mississauga Canoe Club.

For his contribution to Mississauga's considerable paddling successes, Oldershaw was one of the 1975 inductees into the Mississauga Sports Hall of Fame. The small cornerstone laid by Oldershaw in 1957 grew into a paddling powerhouse. "Missy" has come to dominate the Canadian paddling scene, having won a total of 17 team championship burgees to date. The club also developed top-notch paddlers to represent Canada in international competitions. In 1976, Montreal Olympics, the Mississauga club sent five paddlers and Mac Hickox the head coach of Canada's canoe/kayak contingent to the Montreal Olympics. John Wood came home with a silver medal. For 12 years Oldershaw was a Canadian Olympic director. In addition to canoeing, Bert was also actively involved in the community as director for the South Peel Red Cross Safety Program and organizer of the Mississauga Water Safety Canoeing Program. His children (including daughters Lee and Lynn) inherited Bert's love and talent for the sports. All his three sons Dean, Reed and Scott have represented Canada in Olympic and other international competitions. The Oldershaws are the only family known to have four competitors in eight Olympics. In the twilight of his life, Bert lived in Burlington. Memorial services were held at the Burloak Canoe Club.

Mike Toth sits on the Board of Directors of the Mississauga Sports Council. An authority on sports in Mississauga, Mike is the author of Birth to Millennium Mississauga's Sports Heritage. For more information www.sportsmississauga.org

Celebrating heritage in our community...By Katherine Gutierrez, MHF Program Developer

Heritage Showcase 2006

In celebration of Heritage Week, the Mississauga Heritage Foundation hosted its annual Heritage Showcase at Square One Shopping Centre from February 17th to February 19th, 2006. Celebrating "Over 200 Years of History", this event featured exhibits and Mayor's Youth Advisiory Committee, demonstrations by over twenty local heritage groups from the city of Mississauga.

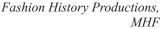


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This weekend turned out to be a great success, attracting both shoppers and "heritage-curious" individuals.

This year's Heritage Showcase featured individuals dressed in period costumes, book signing by local authors Dave Cook, Eric Gibson and Kathleen Hicks, as well as an encampment display from the 1860s. Participants of the weekend included: Creative Memories, Taoist Tai Chi Society of Canada, City of Mississauga Administration & Cemeteries, Friends of the Library, the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, the Mississauga South Historical Society, Museums of Mississauga, Thompson







Sandra Emerson, Streetsville Historical Society, MHF

Adamson Bell Tower, the Mavis Wilson Collection, the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee (MYAC), Mississauga Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Mississauga Knitting Guild, the Canadiana Room presented by the Mississauga Library System, Mississauga Sports Council, Toronto Branch U.E.L. Association of Canada, Clocks by Ben Madill, Cornflower Glass, CST Consultants Inc., Friends of the Old Britannia Schoolhouse, Halton Peel OGS (Ontario Genealogical Society), Heritage Advisory Committee, Métis Community Development Corporation, Métis Transit Limited Cultural Division, and the Streetsville Historical Society.

This weekend enables local heritage groups within our community to showcase their organization to the people of the city of the Mississauga. We look forward to next year's Heritage Showcase as we continue to celebrate "Over 200 Years of History".



Ben & Marjorie Madill, **MHF**



United Empire Loyalists **MHF**

Mary Fix Memorial Heritage Awards 2006

On Monday, February 20th, 2006, the Mississauga Heritage Foundation hosted its 10th annual Heritage Awards, featuring Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, the Honourable James K. Bartleman, as the keynote speaker for the evening. This evening was a celebration of history and heritage within our community. The Heritage



2005 Award winners with Lt. Gov. James K. Bartleman,

Awards is an event which recognizes with pride, the people and businesses within the community, who have made a significant contribution to the preservation and conservation of heritage within the City of Mississauga. Here are the following winners of the 2006 Heritage Awards:

MHF Lifetime Membership Award Tom Urbaniak

MHF Heritage Award Mary Wilkinson

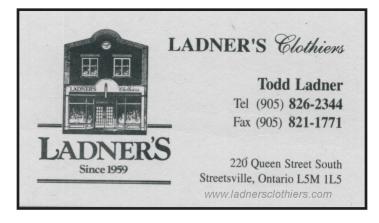
Special Recognition Award

Stewart Brown, Richard Roberts, John Warburton, Mavis Wilson, Paula Wubbenhorst

Member's Choice Award

Councillor George Carlson, La Villa Fine Foods Limited, Lois McKinney

Congratulations to all of this year's Heritage Award winners!!! These individuals have truly made their marks within our heritage networks. They have increased awareness about heritage matters, and have promoted heritage preservation and conservation. They truly are our city's local heritage heroes!



The Lost Mill-Village of Barberton

By Matthew Wilkinson, MHF Historian

Have you ever noticed the industrial complex along the Credit River, visible just north of the Eglinton Avenue bridge over the river? Have you ever walked along this part of the Culham Trail, wondering at the story of this buzzing industrial complex in the midst of the river valley? Have you ever wondered at the road name "Barbertown" or walked across the tiny one lane



Toronto Woollen Mills, 1877 Peel Atlas

bridge, now solely reserved for walking? Our continuing effort to collect the stories of Mississauga's "Lost Villages" brings us to Barberton (also known as Creditvale), to the former mill complex of the Barber brothers, and a look at some of the people who called this mill-village home.

The lazy course of the Credit River today belies its importance to the early development of Peel County. The establishment of mills, particularly saw and grist mills, often marked the beginning of a community and provided the impetus for growth. Mills fulfilled a practical need in the life of early settlers as places to grind grain, cut wood, or weave cloth. By 1851, approximately 60 mills were operating along the Credit River and by 1859, 10 of these were woollen or textile mills.

One of the most significant of these textile manufacturers was the Barber brothers' mill near Streetsville. The Barber brothers, who also owned a large mill in Georgetown, expanded their operation in 1843 when they purchased William Comfort's mill-site and farm. William Comfort had purchased this site on the north edge of Lot 1 Concession 4, just south of Streetsville, in 1826. He had a grist mill in operation by 1827. William Comfort, a loyal supporter of William Lyon Mackenzie during the Rebellion of 1837, is believed to have sheltered the rebel leader at his home on the second night following the failed uprising. Comfort was jailed, and later sold his interest in the property to the Barber brothers.

In 1852, the Barbers built a large four-storey stone woollen mill, which burned in 1861. Three months later the mill was rebuilt and back into production. Due to the early success of the mill, the site continued to expand and by 1865 included several additional buildings. The mill



Oriental Textiles, MHF

complex, known as the Toronto Woollen Mills, produced 1000 yards of cloth daily and employed 100 people. By 1870, the mill was the fourth largest textile mill in Ontario. It is the stone mill built in 1861 which survives underneath the modern layer of stucco and siding.

The small community that began to develop around the mill site became dubbed "Barberton". Barberton never gained village status on its own, but it grew steadily. The Barbers built 43 buildings for mill workers and their families. Some of the workers came from Scotland as skilled weavers (John Rutledge was one). Most of the workers lived in close proximity to the mill.

Entire families often relied on the mill for their income and livelihood. In many cases, members of an entire family were employed in the mill.

Such was the case with the Henry Rundle family. Henry was employed for a time as a servant in the Barber household, while son James was employed as a millwright, Thomas as a weaver, and daughters Delia and Anna as spinners. In addition to the families who worked in the mill, Barney McCusker operated the blacksmith shop nearby and Augustus Redding ran a tailor shop, employing fifteen seamstresses. J.G. Owens operated the two-storey general

store (presently the ADM Milling company office). The chief teamster, Henry Hetherington, made two trips a day to Port Credit with finished goods and returned with raw materials. Moses and Mary Strong ran a boarding house where weekly dances were held. Barberton also had a recreation area and a cricket field.



ADM Milling, MHF

One interesting story about life for the workers and working conditions at the mill is the introduction of a tea break. One of their employees, Hannah Clegg, took her teapot to work one morning, and made tea at 10 a.m., having already worked from 6:30 a.m. When the Barbers protested, all the women went on strike. The Barbers gave in, and from then on, a tea break at 10 a.m. became a ritual for all employees at the mill.

As for the owners themselves, William and Robert Barber, together with Bennet Franklin, their partner and brother-in-law, had large homes built for them. The brothers were also very active in local economic, religious and political circles. William and Robert operated the woollen mill while Bennet managed the saw mill. As the fortunes of the Barbers' declined, the small community that had grown around the mill became deserted, leaving only the ghosts of the once-busy mill village behind. William's home, built circa 1862, remains on the corner of Mississauga Road and Barbertown Road as the Old Barber House Restaurant. Robert and Bennet's houses on Barbertown Road are now gone as are most of the original 43 buildings. Only three workers' houses survive. The old mill bridge (circa 1898), Barbertown Road, and a quiet recreation area are but a reflection of this once vibrant little community, and the mill's importance to early workers and their families. For more information on the Barber brothers and their enterprise, we invite you to take a walk along the Culham Trail and visit the interpretive plaques highlighting more of the interesting story of the millvillage of Barberton.

With the changing times, this site remains remarkable in its continuing ability to provide service and employment. After many successive owners, changes in technology and changes in product, the mill-site remains the true legacy: a site well chosen to suit the changing needs of the people relying upon it. The mill still stands as a functioning element of modern industry. It would, perhaps, make the Barber brothers proud.

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Celebrating the heritage of Dixie. 2 new publications

Dixie: Orchards to Industry

By Kathleen A. Hicks

On **June 10, 2006**, an historical event is going to take place: the launching of *Dixie: Orchards to Industry*. It is the fifth in the ten book series of my history on Mississaugas villages. The Friends of

the Mississauga Library System are the sponsors of this project.



Kathleen Hicks, MHF

This book reveals Dixie's past from when the first family, the Codys, arrived in 1806 to settle in this new community, to present day with the longest married couple and the oldest person still residing in this vintage area of Mississauga, where the pioneer families, the Willcoxes, Belchers, Copelands, Prices, Stanfields and Palletts once walked these very streets that you call home.

During the research process for this book, I discovered that **Dixie** has a tremendously fascinating and impressive history. It was first called **Sydenham** for Charles Poulette Thomson, Lord Sydenham, who was the Governor General of Upper Canada. Then it became Dixie named for Dr. Beaumont Dixie in 1864. Two extremely industrious gentlemen.

Names like the Clarksons, the Wilsons, the Allisons, the Farrs and the Haines, businesses like the Atlantic Hotel and Post Office, Gills Store, Tolmans brickyard, and later Dixie Fruit Market and Pleasant View Farms, all spark pleasant memories of days gone by. Pleasant View Farms is the only one still operating today.

Help went out beyond the community through the works of the Dixie Union Church, the Bethesda Methodist Church, the Dixie Lions Club, the Dixie Rotary Club and St. Johns Anglican Church.

Dixie's true heritage is captured in the heritage buildings such as the **Copeland House**, the oldest in the area,



Atlantic Hotel c 1900, MHF

having been built in the 1820s, the **Death House**, built by Hector Death in 1912, and the **Dixie Public School**, built in 1923. Checking out these early buildings can take you down memory lane, where you can drift back in time to an earlier day when life

was simpler, slow paced and family quality time came easy.



Cherry Hill House, MHF

Come out on June 10th 2pm-6pm, for the launching of **Dixie: Orchards to Industry** in the 83 year old St. John's Anglican Church, 719 Dundas St. E. See you there!

From Frozen Ponds to Beehive Glory

By Dave Cook

It wasn't long into my research for the book From Frozen Ponds to Beehive Glory, the story of Dixie Arena Gardens, that I realized that so many people in the community were very much part of the Dixie Arena family.

Everyone I talked with had stories to tell about 'their' arena. For the people involved with the numerous activities that took place at the arena, such as hockey leagues, lacrosse leagues,



Dave Cook at the MHF Heritage Showcase 2006, MHF

auto auctions, figure skating and the weekly teen dances, Dixie Arena Gardens played a key role in the formative years of thousands of community residents.

It is impossible to include the names of all of the people and their stories, all of which were so enthusiastically told as my research continued. However, bits and pieces of some of these stories are mentioned throughout the book.

My late Uncle, Jim Britton Sr., was employed by Cooksville's Argo Block Company as a foreman. As a youngster I have memories of my mother and father visiting Uncle Jim and Aunt Edna who lived on Grenville Drive. While there, I would embark upon a great adventure and walk west along the Dundas to the four corners in Cooksville where I would have a sundae at the Cooksville Jersey Dairy on Centre Rd., now Hurontario Street.

Argo Block was owned by Toronto Argonaut football player Clary Burt and his partner, Hap Watson, a very popular local sportsman. Clary played a combined total of 37 regular season and playoff games with the Argos between 1937 and 1939. It was Argo Block that supplied the blocks for the construction of Dixie Arena. Many years later hockey great Joe Primeau, who owned Joe Primeau Block, amalgamated his company with Argo Block.

Uncle Jim's son, Jimmy Britton, worked at Argo and he remembers vividly that he was one of the drivers who delivered the blocks used for the construction of Dixie Arena Gardens. Deliveries of the blocks were done basically at centre ice. "We drove our trucks right inside of the building as it was being constructed and unloaded there," said Jimmy.

The idea of writing a book on the history of Dixie Arena Gardens came to me in the midst of my research for my first book Apple Blossoms and Satellite Dishes, celebrating the Golden Jubilee of Applewood Acres, which was released in June 2004. It was during this time that I realized just what a significant impact



Dixie Arena, MHF

Dixie Arena Gardens had not only on me personally but also on my community and, in fact, the entire region. Possibly former Houston Aeros hockey start Jack Stanfield said it best when he remarked to me during my research that Dixie Arena meant so much to so many

Hockey players who grew up in the community. "It was 'THE' social gathering place for the area's youth. All in all, I think of Dixie Arena as the social centre for my youth and I don't think you or anyone else could have found a better place to learn how to build friendships. Many of these friendships are still in place today," he said.

The many people and area business concerns involved from the start of Dixie Arena Gardens read like the book of "Who's Who' of the Township of Toronto. It became obvious to me that in the late 1940's the one activity that bonded so many people together was ice-skating and hockey. I devoted three chapters to the history of the Dixie Beehive Hockey team, which became a provincial powerhouse in the junior ranks and also a chapter to Dr. Arthur Wood, an area dentist who re-shaped



Dixie Beehive Logo, HHOF

the way hockey is played world-wide, when he invented and perfected the hockey mouth guard that was first used at Dixie Arena.

Early pleasure skating and hockey was done outdoors on frozen ponds. People had to bundle up, put on their skates while sitting on the ground, a makeshift bench or, as I did, while seated in the back seat of dad's car-an experience to which few today can relate.

My earliest recollection of skating was on Culham's Pond. This was a very small spring-fed pond located on the property of Elwood Culham, a farmer on the Sixth Line, Malton. The pond was located just about where airplanes now touch down on the western approach midway between the 401 Highway and the terminals. My family home was just south of Culham's farm. Living in the northern reaches of the Township of Toronto meant that many of our activities took place in the Police Village of Malton and the 'big' City of Brampton. Because of our proximity to Brampton, my father would drive the family to Lester's Arena. This was the most modern of skating facilities of the day. It was an indoor arena with natural ice. Without a doubt, it was a very rare and pleasurable skating experience. It's such a thrill to be writing about Lester's Arena and to have discussed the facility with Ellis Lester's son, Bill. At the time of this writing Ellis Lester was well into his 90s and was most helpful with my research.

Our family property was expropriated by the Federal Government to make way for the airport expansion. We moved to Applewood Acres where I attended Applewood Acres Public School and then the next year Gordon Graydon High School. My father was born and raised in Dixie, just a hundred yards or so east of Nuthall's Service Station, at Dixie Road and Dundas Street, so it was really a home coming for Dad.

In closing I sincerely hope you enjoy a walk through the living history of our community. I must thank former City of Mississauga councilor Terrence W. Butt/Associate of Royal LePage West Realty Group, for helping to make possible the publishing of this book by providing a portion of the financial costs involved.

From Frozen Ponds to Beehive Glory has more than 80 pictures throughout its 224 pages. The book costs \$20 and will be officially released on Saturday June 3rd at 7:00pm at St. John's Anglican Church (corner of Cawthra and Dixie) Please join us to celebrate this new publication. This book will be available at the Heritage Mississauga offices after the launch.

New Heritage Tools from the Ministry of Culture

By Paula Wubbenhost

Since the amendments to the *Ontario Heritage Act* were passed in April 2005, the Ministry of Culture has been hard at work developing tools to aid municipalities and stakeholders in implementing the legislation.

Among the four new regulations, that came into effect on January 25, 2006, the provincial government passed criteria for determining whether a property is of cultural heritage value or interest. A property may be designated if it has one or more of the following values:

Design or physical; i.e. It:

- -is a rare, unique, representative or early example of a style, type, expression, material or construction method,
- -displays a high degree of craftsmanship or artistic merit, or
- -demonstrates a high degree of technical or scientific achievement.

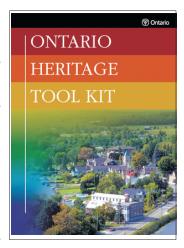
Historical or associative; i.e. It:

- -has direct associations with a theme, event, belief, person, activity, organization or institution that is significant to the community,
- -yields, or has the potential to yield, information that contributes to an understanding of a community or culture, or
- -demonstrates or reflects the work or ideas of an architect, artist, builder, designer or theorist who is significant to a community.

Contextual; i.e. It:

- -is important in defining, maintaining or supporting the character of an area,
- -is physically, functionally, visually or historically linked to its surroundings, or
- -Is a landmark.

The Ministry has also just launched a number of resources that form part of their Ontario Heritage Tool Kit. These include guides to Establishing and Sustaining an Effective Municipal Heritage Committee; Listing, Researching and Evaluating Cultural Heritage Property in Ontario Communities; Municipal Designation of Individual Properties Under the Ontario Heritage Act; and District Designation Under the Ontario Heritage Act. Info sheets on Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Policies of the



Ontario Provincial Policy Statement, 2005, are also included. These documents can be downloaded from the following website:

Http://www.culture.gov.on.ca/english/culdiv/heritage/Toolkit/toolkit.htm.

A Ford with the big engine

By Eric Gibson

Now, if you happen to drive a Ford, I don't want you to get upset by this story. It is not aimed at you. It is based on an incident which happened to me a long time ago and on observations that I have made over the years but with which you, the reader, may disagree.

What I have noticed is that on average, Ford drivers seem to be more aggressive than drivers of many other marques. But having said that, I have in recent years noticed a similar trend with BMW drivers particularly young blond women - and Honda Civic hatchback drivers in this case young men wearing reversed baseball caps. It has been my experience that a potentially dangerous traffic incident tailgating, cutting across several lanes of traffic, running a red light etc - frequently involves a driver in one of the above categories. I offer the following true story to support my claim.

When Marian and I first came to Canada in 1964 we settled in Montreal. Back then, most people drove large cars, and large cars meant large engines. I think I am right in saying that at that time all of the North American car manufacturers offered a variety of



Ford Galaxy, Eric Gibson

engine sizes in their vehicles. Very few full sized cars were fitted with 6-cylinder engines - a V-8 was almost mandatory. I remember many of my co-workers telling me that they drove "a Ford with the big engine," this I think being something of a status symbol. The Ford *Galaxy* was a very popular large car, and in its case "the big engine" was about 380 cu.in. or

6¼ litres. Well, gas was about 40¢ a gallon back then, so fuel economy was not something one worried about.

Marian and I, never followers of the crowd, shunned these very large American cars. Marian had an MGB sports car (1800 cc) and

I drove an Austin Mini station wagon only 850 cc but one of the first production cars to feature front wheel drive. Its road holding and its fuel economy were both excellent and it was the last of the true "woody" station wagons.



Austin Mini Traveller, Eric Gibson

The incident I want to tell you about happened in the middle of winter. At a guess it was the winter of 1970-71. We lived in Longueuil, south of the St Lawrence River, but I worked on Montreal Island close to Dorval airport so I had to cross the river to get to work. My usual route was to cross Champlain Bridge and then take Highway 2 and 20 to Dorval. Between the bridge and the highway there is a single-lane slip road which runs downhill from the bridge and which has a pretty sharp left hand bend about half-way down. As usual during a Montreal winter, the roads had been well ploughed but there were occasional patches of ice and of course there were snow banks on each side of the road. This meant that the single-lane connecting road was well and truly down to one lane. As I started down the slope I was assailed by loud and continuous honking from behind. The mirror showed a big Ford Galaxy almost certainly with "the big engine" - right on my tail. And I mean that.

The thing could have been only a couple of feet behind me, and the honking was accompanied by angry hand waving signals which obviously meant "get that stupid little car out of my way, I am late for work!"

At this point, with the possibility of an icy road and with a sharp curve just ahead, the honking and sign language did not put me in a happy mood! If the least thing went wrong I would have this big Ford rearranging the sheet metalwork of my much smaller car. Even worse, it could push me right off the road, for there was just no way it would be able to stop. Now as I said earlier, the Mini is an excellent road holder, and the accepted technique on a bend is to accelerate around the curve. Normally of course one brakes before the curve and then accelerates through it. On that particular morning, this was not an option - the Ford was just too close. So, I accelerated into the bend, which appeared to be free of ice. I had to concentrate hard for a few moments because I was going faster than I would have liked. However, the Mini just sailed through the corner holding the chosen track as if attached with Krazy Glue.

Now, I expected that the Ford would lose a little ground in the bend and would be at least a dozen feet behind me, but when I glanced in the mirror it was nowhere to be seen. I kept an eye on the mirror for the whole length of the straight down to the highway but the Ford never appeared. Nor did any other traffic. I don't know what happened, but I can hazard a guess and I think you can too! What I do know, is that even now more than 30 years later, I occasionally wonder what happened to that Ford with its big engine!

Footnote: In the 1960's gas was very cheap - particularly if you were driving a little Mini. Marian and I once used that car to take two guests on a round trip from Montreal to Niagara Falls via Rochester and returning via Toronto and the 401. Total cost for gas less than \$10.00.



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Library System has new Partnership

By Ingrid Keuper Dalton, Manager, Community Development Mississauga Library System

The Mississauga Library System has twinned with the Mississaugas of the New Credit Public Library through the First Nation Public Library Development Program promoted and supported by the Southern Ontario Library Service. The program facilitates collection development through donation of high interest, gently used materials. It enables a pro-active, community based needs approach to First Nation public library collection development.

The first such partnership was organized between the Chippewas of Georgina Island and the Pickering Public Library.

Learn about our twin library - Mississaugas of the New Credit Public Library ...

New Credit First Nation Public Library

By Veronica L. King-Jamieson, CEO/Librarian Carolyn King, New Credit Library Chairperson

The Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Public Library is located on a Native rural area surrounded by small towns and cities in the Haldimand-Norfolk, Simcoe, Brant Counties adjacent to the Six Nations of the Grand River Territory.



New Credit Library, Miss. Library System

According to Indian and Northern Affairs Canada, our reserve's band membership is 1624. Approximately 600 members live on reserve.

The public library is aware of the critical issues and challenges First Nation community members face each day living on or off the reserve. The Library welcomes all band membership and supports needs for access to information, personal empowerment and self-affirmation. In partnership with other community programs, our public library contributes to social and economic development by nurturing our spirits, preserving oral traditional, cultures and languages, and supporting individuals in their pursuit of employment and/or business development. The public library is strongly committed to and takes an active lead in promoting and delivering positive programs/services that will impact favourably on our band membership's literacy and lifelong learning.



New Credit Library, Miss. Library System

We contribute significantly to the programming available in our community by offering programs both in the library and elsewhere in the community. We offer literacy and learning programs and activities, reading clubs, teaching circles, computer clubs, and a tutoring program for elementary school students. Youth in the community do volunteer hours at the library.

Our current Chairperson for the Library Carolyn King has a long relationship with various people in the Mississauga area and especially with the City of Mississauga's Mayor McCallion who help assist in the provision of the shelving, furniture, books and supplies for our library.

We see our partnership with the Mississauga Library System as one which will benefit our library and community in many ways as we get to know each other over time. We also look forward to learning about your library system and working with you to identify ways our library and community may support some of the services you provide to the staff of the Mississauga Library system and the residents of Mississauga.

In Memoriam

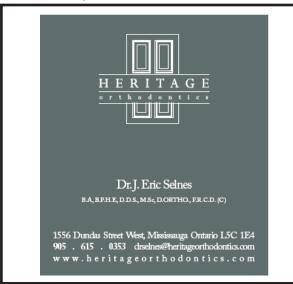
KING, Lloyd Sherman - 1915 - 2006. With sadness we announce the passing of Lloyd S. King, who peacefully journeyed home to the Creator on Friday April 14, 2006, in his 91st year. A lifelong

resident of the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation, Lloyd was a farmer and an educator, a dedicated observer of weather and a planter of trees, supporter of his church, historian and respected Elder. He began his 30-year teaching career in 1945, teaching on the Six Nations and New Credit



King Family Library

reserves. Always environmentally conscious, he began recording weather data in his youth and was an official weather reporter for more than 50 years. He was an advocate of protection and regeneration of native trees, and in his later years, devoted to the concept of Carolinian reforestation. He was a founding member of the Association of Iroquois and Allied Indians (AIAI), writing one of the first responses to the 1969 federal White Paper on Indian Policy. He served from 1974 to 1975 on the People of Native Ancestry (PONA) project for the Ontario Ministry of Education, working to introduce Native issues to the provincial school curriculum. The newly constructed Lloyd S. King School at New Credit was named in his honour in 1998. In 2001, he received the United Nations Year of the Volunteer Award for his service in collecting and reporting weather data. A true historian Mr. King it is noted could remember people, places and events from very early in his childhood. He wrote historical documents including Early Days at New Credit, and the History of the New Credit United *Church.* He was also responsible for the reearch and development of a Veterans display honouring those Mississaugas who joined the armed services. In his later years he worked to develop the New Credit Public Library.

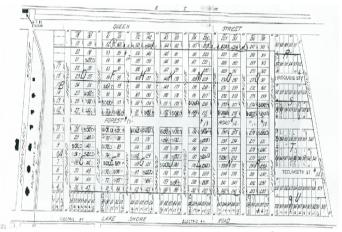


What's In A Name?

By Matthew Wilkinson, Historian

Have you ever been intrigued by a street or park name from our past? Here is a chance to explore some of our "people and places of the past" through association with modern place names. If you have ever wondered about a modern street or park name, let us know, and we will see if we can find out what you have been curious about!

Credit Grove



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An interesting collection of street names exist just east of Hurontario Street in Port

Credit. A quick look at a road map will reveal some street names which are undoubtedly native in origin:

- Minnewawa (Sioux for "Laughing Water" or Ojibway for "Make a good sound");
- -Onaway (an Ojibway alert call meaning "Awake!");
- **-Wanita** (native origins meaning "pale" or "shape-shifter", amongst others);
- **-Hiawatha** (meaning "He Who Combs" and named after a legendary Onondagan chief who is credited with the organization of the Iroquois Confederacy);
- **-Wenonah** (Iroquois for "First Born Daughter" and mother of Hiawatha).

However it is the names of some roads on the North side of modern Lakeshore Road that originally drew my attention for this article: some of the street names in this area carry, possibly unknowingly, significant historical associations. This small subdivision, dubbed "Credit Grove", was laid out between 1910 and 1930, and is remarkable in our city. Some of the street names in this subdivision include: Seneca, Cayuga, Iroquois and Mohawk avenues, and all take their names from the Six Nations Iroquoian Confederacy. The Iroquois called themselves the "Haudenosaunee" meaning "People of the Long House", or "Ongwehonweh" meaning the "Original People". The Iroquois for a time inhabited what is now Southern Ontario prior to their displacement by the Ojibway (a different culture and linguistic group from the Iroquois, to who the Mississaugas or Anishinabeg belonged).

The Iroquoian peoples consisted of a number of tribes which shared the same language - Iroquois. Around 1580, five of the nations - the Cayuga, Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga and Seneca formed a Confederacy, under a "Great Law of Peace". Together, they were known as the Five Nations. Around 1720, the Five Nations were joined by another Iroquoian Nation, the Tuscarora.

Today, the Six Nations Confederacy, occupying a reserve along the Grand River near Brantford, is believed to be the oldest existing participatory democracy in the world and has existed for over 800 years. Other Iroquoian Nations who did not join the confederacy include the Cherokee, Conestoga, Erie, Huron, Neutral, Susquehannock, and Tionontati, amongst others.

The Iroquois Nations that make up the Six Nations Confederacy are: **Seneca** ("Onondowahgah" meaning "the People of the Great Hill"); **Cayuga** ("Guyohkohnyoh" meaning "The People of the Great Swamp") **Onondaga** ("Onundagaono" meaning "The People of the Hills") **Oneida** ("Onayotekaono" meaning "The People of the Upright Stone"); **Mohawk** (or "Kanienkahagen" meaning "the People of the Flint"); and **Tuscarora** ("Ska-Ruh-Reh" mean the "Shirt Wearing People").

Only the Tuscarora are not commemorated by a street name in Mississauga. Two other road names in "Credit Grove" are Brant and Tecumseth avenues. Joseph Brant (or "Thayendanegea" meaning "He Places Two Bets") was born in 1742, and was a chief in the Mohawk nation. In 1776 he became the principal War Chief for the Six Nations Confederacy. During the Revolutionary War, Brant was commissioned as a Captain with the British Army in charge of the loyal Native forces. Brant died in 1807 at the Grand River and the city of Brantford carries his name today.



Chief Joseph Brant, National Archives

The last street name in this article, Tecumseth Avenue, is a derivation of the name of the legendary Shawnee leader, Tecumseh, whose name means "Shooting Star". Born in 1768 near the present-day American city of Springfield, Ohio, Tecumseh rose to prominence in both Native and non-Native circles. Tecumseh and many other Native peoples allied with the British during the War of 1812. Due to his exceptional leadership abilities, the British government commissioned Tecumseh as a Brigadier General. Tecumseh took a stand against invading American forces at the Battle of the Thames on October 5, 1813, where he was killed in battle.

Heritage Garage Sale

June 10, 2006 8am Raindate June 17 Robinson-Adamson Grange

Support the fundraising efforts of Heritage Mississauga as they host their first annual Garage Sale. Do you have items to donate? Call today and let us know. We are looking for tenderly used items that will help support this fundraiser.

This unique event will also have a BBQ, Raffle, and fun activities for the whole family. Don't miss this opportunity to give back to the community and share in the fun. For donation opportunities and to find out more information please contact the Heritage office at 905-828-8411 ext."0" or check out our website at www.heritagemississauga.com

The Lake That Was

By Don Hancock, MHF Director

There is a great deal of history that never becomes recorded. I am a senior citizen and I am at present reminiscing over a nearly forgotten piece of history that is certainly remarkable or noteworthy.

Toronto Township which became Mississauga as we well know was the series of villages still in



Bill Schreiber, Mack Hancock, Roy Morgan, Don Hancock, Hancock family photo

existence that we know today as Port Credit, Streetsville, Erindale and others. With copious square miles and river valleys around us my parents would encourage us to journey considerable distance on our bicycles exploring these "distant" hamlets when we were 9, 10, 11, and twelve years of age. (something a little risky today)

One of our destinations was Erindale, which had been Springfield until some time after 1855, which not only has the landmark of St. Peter's on the Hill church spire on the westerly hill, but which had the most marvelous man-made lake on the Credit River. It appeared to me that it was no less than forty acres in area, was impounded by the immense concrete dam that is still in existence at Erindale Park, and had a notable history of its own.

One day we heard that several people had drowned on Erindale Lake. With permission from our parents (I believe I was 11 at the time) we jumped on our bikes and headed along the Dundas from Cooksville to arrive at the dam while they were letting the water out to recover the bodies. Our macabre fascination with the possibility of seeing these unfortunate people caused us to stick around for several hours, but although the water was roaring through the sluices in a four to five foot torrent, the men there said it would be more than another day to empty the lake. So we headed home.

Now the most important part of this story is that the dam and the tremendous storage of water in the lake was to create Hydro Electric Power, making Erindale one of the early, if not the first communities to have its own electric grid before the total electrification of Ontario. (Let me tell you more about this in the next issue of the Heritage news.)

Erindale had been enjoying its own hydro electric service for many years when it was finally incorporated into the Ontario Provincial system and the local system was abandoned. Once the lake had been drained after its last drowning tragedy, I don't believe the authorities ever allowed it to fill again. The dam was then allowed to perish.

However this drying up of the lake allowed us the further joy of access to the flume and the massive generators that the lake water had powered when the water was high. The flume, which must still exist, perhaps filled in, began at its intake end several hundred yards to the east of the dam itself, and passed under the entire village to enter the turbine housing silos south of the village lower and downstream to rejoin the river.

It was really a wonderful adventure particularly as young as we were to go through the sluice from one end to the other, a distance that seemed to be more than a quarter of a mile right under the village and the Dundas highway.

The sluice diameter was about seven to eight feet but when in the center right under the highway you could not see without a light as though in a dark mine. Sometimes we would have a flashlight and sometimes only matches and a home-made torch.

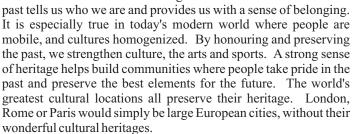
But the most amazing part was climbing up steel rungs in the turbine silos some 25 to 30 feet to get into the sunlight. This is a unique piece of Mississauga history.

What does heritage mean to you?

This new segment of our newsletter asks this important question of some VIP's in our community. We asked Heritage Advisory Committee Chair, Ward 6 Councillor George Carlson to be our first VIP.

"Heritage to me, includes all that has gone before us, our written history, oral history, cultural past and our heritage buildings. It tells us who we are and how we got here. It's our direct link to our ancestors. Everything we are is the sum of all that has passed before.

Heritage is one of the most important foundations in our lives. A strong link to the



Our local heritage is very important to preserve and enhance, especially since Mississauga is largely a modern city. Our founding villages, such as Streetsville, Meadowvale Village, or Port Credit contain the majority of our heritage homes and sites. These villages, along the Credit River provide our oldest and best links to our past. Many of these settlements were first home to Canada's indigenous peoples whose history and relics stretch back 10,000 years. As a Councillor, I take great pride in protecting our heritage inventory through designation and site plan controls. The new Heritage Act, as well as our district plans, work together to prevent unnecessary loss (demolition) and to encourage sensitive development. I encourage everyone to spend some time reflecting on heritage issues. There are many opportunities to participate: Heritage Week, walking tours, local museums and historical associations. A visit or call to the Mississauga Heritage Foundation is a great start!"

Councillor George Carlson was born in Cooksville in 1958. He is a fifth generation direct descendant of one of Streetsville's pioneer founders, Henry Rutledge (1800- 1875). George attended local schools and operated several small businesses over the years. In 1985 he was elected public school board trustee for the area, a position he held for four terms. In 2000, George was elected as Councillor for Ward 6 and is the present Chair of the City 's Heritage Advisory Committee.

Heritage Matters

Mississauga Heritage Foundation

May 18th Annual General Meeting 6:30pm The Grange

June 10th, 9am-1pm Heritage Garage Sale - "The Grange" To donate items to support this fundraiser please call Doreen at the office 905-828-8411 ext "0".

August 26th -Mississaugas of the New Credit Pow Wow bus tour Leaving Erindale at 9am arriving back at 6pm. For ticket information please call Doreen at the office.

September 16 -Trafalgar 200 Family Day Celebration Historic Palermo corner (Bronte and Dundas)

September 23 Doors Open Mississauga- Streetsville 11am-5pm, Fun for the whole family

Friends of the Britannia Schoolhouse

Open Sundays at The Old Britannia Schoolhouse May 14, June 11, July 9th August 13 Sept. 10, and Oct. 8, 2006. Schoolhouse is open for a visit 1-4 pm. A Friends volunteer will be there to answer any questions about The Schoolhouse.

June 28 (Wednesday) Strawberry Social

11:30am - 2:00 pm- Atrium of the H.J.A. Brown Centre, Peel Board of Education. Tickets for this popular event are limited and sell out quickly. Cost is \$8.00 Call Eva for tickets 905-459-9158

Halton- Peel Branch Ontario Genealogical Society

June 4, Speaker: Mike Dunk, **Digital Imagery and Genealogy,** Chinguacousy Branch Library 2:00pm For more information contact: Ann Logan 905-845-7755 or Betty Cameron 905-792-0907

September 24th, Local History at your Public Library Local history Librarians from Brampton, Oakville, Halton and Mississauga Libraries. Location: Chinguacousy Branch Library 2pm-4pm. Call Jane Watt 905-281-1701 for more information.

Mississauga Garden Council

May 16 Speaker: Dr. Peter Kotanen - Plant Invaders and

Their Enemies: Tales from Old Fields

June 20 Speaker: Tony Fleischmann - Growing Healthy Trees:

Summer Challenges and Solutions

Cost per Talk

MGC Members: \$10. each talk
Non-MBC members \$15. each talk
Cost for Entire Evening Series
MGC Members: 5 evenings \$40
Non MGC members: 5 evenings \$60
Series will be held at the MacEyan Field \$60

Series will be held at the MacEwan Field Station at Riverwood at 1475 Burnhamthorpe Road West. All presentations are

Tuesday evenings and start at 7:30 pm

Mississauga South Historical Society

May 24 Bus Trip Dundurn Castle and Whitehearn Historic House cost \$45.00. For ticket information please contact Mary Finley 905-822-2312

Museums of Mississauga

3rd Sunday of the month every month: Toying with the Past Games Day: at Benares 1:00pm - 4:00pm

May 13th Doggie Doo at Benares. *NEW*

Bring Fido and Fifi to this new event for dogs and their owners. A tail-wagging celebration of "man's best friend" today and in the past!

June 25th Cloverleaf Garden Club Tour & Flower Show-Benares Historic House 10:00am-5:00pm

Museums cont'd

July 21st - 22nd Shakespeare Under the Stars

Driftwood Outdoor Theatre Group performs "The Winter's Tale" under the stars at the Bradley Museum site. Pay-what-you-can admission. Showtime is 7:30 pm

July 30 - 12th Annual Teddy Bears Picnic at Benares Historic House Gather up your favourite stuffed animals and the other members of your household for this popular family event. The 6 acre grounds come to life with games, songs, crafts and activities including the Teddy Bears Clinic!

Sept. 16 - 17 - Fall Fair & Folk Festival Bradley Museum Oct. 29 - Tricks or Treats: Historic Halloween Fun, at Benares

~Displays~

January to end of June -A Tapestry of Cultures

A reflection of the immigrant experience in Mississauga over the last 200 years. Presented jointly with the Mississauga Arts Council at Bradley Museum.

April 28 to July 23 -For the LOVE of Tennis

Learn about the early local history of this popular sport, once played on the grounds of Benares. Benares Visitor Centre. **July to January 2007 -A Stitch in Time:** Quilting and the Bradley Museum This display will highlight our unique quilt collection and the equipment used in making them. Bradley Museum.

July 30 to October 23 -Shedding Light on Mississauga From Betty Lamps to Floor Lamps, this display will shed some light on the evolution of home lighting. Benares Visitor Centre.

Streetville Business Improvement Area

June 2,3,4th Bread & Honey Festival Parade is Saturday June 3rd 10:00 am to 12:00 pm More details www.breadandhoney.com June 17th Historic Walking Tour 10am-1pm
Starts promptly at Streetsville Florist 263 Queen St. S.
June 22, 23,24,25th Streetsville Sidewalk Sale Annual Summer Sidewalk Sale Super bargains for the whole family
July 1stCanada Day Ceremony & Fireworks -Very popular event Call BIA for more details 905-858-5974
July 16th Historic Walking tour 1:00 pm-4:00pm
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August 18th Historic Walking Tour (Special Candle Light Walk)8:00pm-11:00pm -Starts promptly at Streetsville Florist

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May 27th Spring Tour -Harbour Museum Port Dover 9am-3:30pm, Bus pick up at Streetsville United Church, tour of Museum 10:30 12 noon Cost \$20.00 includes bus & Museum admission Tickets and more information contact Anne or Malcolm Byard 905-814-5958 or email: abyard@sympatico.ca June 17th Vista Heights Public School 50th Anniversary 11am-3pm Guest speakers, school alumni, food, games, silent auction -89 Vista Blvd. Streetsville