

President Alan McLay

### President's Report

by Alan McLay

In September Ruth Hall-McMillan responded swiftly to our call for a volunteer to replace Paul Reside as the editor of our newsletter. Ruth is a longtime member of the Historical Society and she has had considerable experience in editing newsletters. The Board of Directors gladly accepted her offer to take on this important position.

I am pleased to report that one of our new members, Brigitte Pollack, saw the notice on our website calling for a volunteer to serve as our Archivist. She is a professional archivist. The Board gratefully approved her appointment. Brigitte has discussed the organization of our archival records with Serge Barbe at the City of Ottawa Archives. She will assist in preparing our records for the years 2001 to 2003 for transfer to the City Archives in 2009.

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Lunch at Travelodge Restaurant

### HSO Bus Excursion to Pembroke by George Neville

For the preceding week, the persistent overcast skies and intermittent rains did not portend well for the scheduled HSO bus excursion to Pembroke on Thursday, 2nd October 2008; however, the system changed on the eve of departure providing a chilly but sunny morning for 8:00 AM pickup at St. Richard's Anglican Church in City View and 8:30 AM pickup at Lansdowne Park Bank Street entrance.

Shortly after moving onto Hwy 17 from 417, rain squalls were encountered almost to the Arnprior area when the sun re-appeared and stayed with us the rest of the day. A short distance past Arnprior, Gillies Glen was pointed out to us located on the west side of the route.

As we approached Renfrew, some history of Pembroke was presented drawn from Alan Rayburn's book, *Place Names of Ontario*. Pembroke Twp., the smallest municipal twp. in the province, was named about 1835 for George Augustus Herbert, 11th Earl of Pembroke (1759-1827). Robert Gourlay, an Upper Canadian writer and settlement promoter, corresponded with the earl about immigration matters in 1823.

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*THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA*

*The Historical Society of Ottawa was founded in 1898 (as the Women's Historical Society of Ottawa.) Its objective is to increase public knowledge of the history of Ottawa by its publications, meetings, tours, outreach and participation in local heritage events and also by its co-operation with the Bytown Museum, a store of artifacts reflecting Ottawa's history from Bytown days and into the present century. Its headquarters is in the Bytown Museum, Colonel By's Commissariat Building, constructed of stone in 1827 and located at 1 Canal Lane by the Rideau Canal between the Chateau Laurier and Parliament Hill.*

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**COMING EVENTS:**

Friday, January 30th

Monthly Meeting  
 Speaker: Paul Kitchen  
 "125 years of Hockey History"  
 Routhier Community Centre\*  
 1 p.m.

Friday, February 27th

Monthly Meeting  
 Speaker: Dr. Stephen Artelle  
 "Babel's Laborers:  
 Politics & Poetry in  
 Nineteenth-Century Ottawa"  
 Routhier Community Centre\*  
 1 p.m.

Friday, March 27th

Monthly Meeting  
 Speaker: Martha Edmond  
 "A History of Rockcliffe Park"  
 Routhier Community Centre\*  
 1 p.m.

*\*Parking at the Routhier Community Centre from Cumberland Avenue, between St. Patrick St. and Guigues*

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**Editors Note:** There are about 50 members of our Historical Society of Ottawa that have e-mail addresses. I'd like to send you all the Newsletter. If you have a e-mail address and would like it written on our members list or if you would like me to e-mail the Newsletter to you, please contact me at-

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*Patron: Her Excellency the Right Honorable Michaëlle Jean  
C.C., C.M.M. C.O.M., C.D.  
Governor General of Canada*



*Governor General Michaëlle Jean's photo produced by Agência Brazil, a public Brazilian news agency.*

*Christmas Luncheon at St. Richards Church at 12:00 noon, December 5, 2008*



*Leah Batisse receiving  
the HSO Award  
from President Alan McLay*



*Kathleen Patillo, Algonquin College Faculty  
Leah Batisse, Applied Museum Studies Award  
Stephen Dezort, Bytown Museum*



*Nepean Songsters  
entertaining at the Christmas Lunch  
Herb Sills, front*



*George Toller accepting his Honorary  
Life Membership from  
President Alan McLay*

*HSO Bus Trip (Cont'd)*

The city (1971) of Pembroke was founded in 1828 by lumberman Peter White (1794-1878) and was first known as Miramichi, recalling early New Brunswick lumberman from the Miramichi. It was called Campbelltown in 1846, and then Lowertown, Moffat, and Sydenham before becoming the village of Pembroke in 1857.

As we approached Pembroke, HSO member Lana Shaw, who grew up in Pembroke and lives in the area, provided a running commentary pointing out buildings of note and various murals as she guided the bus through several streets before arriving by 11:00 AM at the Pembroke Hydro Museum operated by the Ottawa River Power Corp. Pembroke was the first community in Canada to install electric street lighting (1884), the illumination provided by electrical discharge between carbon electrodes that needed to be replaced nightly as they became reduced in size through vaporization in the arc lamps.

The electricity was generated at a dam on the Muskrat River near where it discharges into the Ottawa River in a grist mill which used the electricity during daylight for milling with power generated during non-daylight hours being diverted to street illumination. Among the many, diversified exhibits in the Hydro Museum is the largest diesel generator used in Canada. It was acquired in 1934 from a ship to supplement Pembroke's power needs during peak demand periods, and was used for many years before being retired to this museum.

From the Hydro Museum, we travelled through a couple of different streets to pass several churches on our way to Travelodge for lunch arriving at 11:45 AM fortunately with the dining room to ourselves (28 in total) except for two other clients. The uncertainty of luncheon availability (locale, menu options, etc. for lack of detailed response) which persisted up until our arrival quickly dissipated as we entered this summer's renovated quarters, pleasant dining room ambiance, and enjoyable hot sandwich lunch options, roast tomato with basil soup, tea or coffee. After lunch, it was just a short drive of a couple of blocks to the Champlain Trail Museum on a spacious tract of land in central Pembroke, arriving there by 2:00 PM.

In 1955, a small group of dedicated historians in Pembroke came together, meeting for two years in members' homes, with a goal to preserve the history of that area—that was the beginning of the Ottawa Valley Historical Society (OVHS). In 1957, the OVHS obtained the 1838 Lowertown school building, together with approx. two acres of land. The school had served continuously as a place of learning for over 100 years. One year later (1858), the Society opened the Champlain Trail Museum, Pembroke's first museum in the old schoolhouse.

Through the generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Dean Rogers, a large log home was reconstructed on the museum property and opened as a furnished pioneer home in 1965. The museum's collection grew steadily through generous donations and outgrew the physical capacity of the schoolhouse. opened.

During the summer of 1997, the museum acquired in 1979, a new, much larger, museum building was the Micksburg United Church which was generously donated by its congregation. Built in 1879, the church not only complements the museum with its rich heritage but has become a vibrant part of the community, hosting church services, weddings, and christenings.

In 1999, the museum's collection of heritage buildings was enlarged by the addition of a restored blacksmith's shop. The main museum gallery houses one of the largest collections of Ottawa Valley artifacts, including (inside) a full Victorian street complete with dentist's office, a hairdressing shop, and a general store. The museum is also noted for its collection of early lumbering tools and an original Pointer boat.

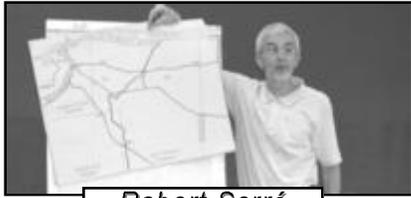
By 3:15 PM, we resumed our tour of some streets north along the Ottawa River to Pembroke's 75 acre municipal Riverside Park to see a Pointer boat set high on poles at tree top level. From there we proceeded south to take Hwy 148 towards Quebec passing over the first bridge onto Cotnam Is. to see rapids to the north, then over a second bridge to Morrison Is. to see a second set of rapids to the south, tame at this time of year but furiously churning with the spring freshet.

On turning back to Cotnam Is. near the first set of rapids, we let off Lana Shaw who lives in the large round-log house by the water's edge. Following our driver's suggestion, we took the river road south to Arnprior thence into Ottawa, arriving at Lansdowne Park by 5:30 PM and back to St. Richard's by 5:50 PM. There were no trip cancellations, and all appeared to have enjoyed the day very much.

Special appreciation is extended to HSO member, Elizabeth Carroll, who had relocated to Vancouver in late February but booked early for the Pembroke bus excursion for when revisiting Ottawa in the autumn. In her reservation e-mail Elizabeth wrote, "The Historical Society of Ottawa has been a real highlight of my life in Ottawa not just the meetings and trips but the friendliness and welcoming of members has created wonderful memories".

Thank you, Elizabeth; it was wonderful to have you back with us, if only briefly!

George Neville,  
HSO Tour Chair



Robert Serré

#### September-Pioneer Families of Janeville by Alan McLay

Our guest speaker at the monthly meeting on September 26th was Robert Serré. After retiring from a career as a professional translator, Robert was able to pursue his interest in local history and genealogy. A native of Ottawa, he is the author of seven books about pioneer families in this area, published by the Gloucester Township Historical Society, of which he is an active member. He commented that you have to know the past in order to understand the present.

Janeville developed as an urban suburb in the mid-nineteenth century, a place for well-to-do residents to find peace and quiet. It was located in Gloucester Township east of the Rideau River between Montreal Road on the north and McArthur Avenue on the south. To the east lay the tracks of the Bytown and Prescott Railway, which were completed in December 1854.

One of the earliest settlers in the area was Charles Cummings, who bought the island in the Rideau River in 1836, which he called Cummings Island. By 1843 a bridge had been built across the river to Rideau Street in Ottawa. His son Robert became a carriage maker and he later served as the Reeve of Gloucester Township.

Another early settler was Donald McArthur, who had come to Bytown in 1827 and built a hotel on George Street. In 1833 he bought property in the southern part of the area that was later to be called Janeville. In 1873 Donald McArthur and Robert Cummings established the village of Janeville, named after Donald's wife Jane. In 1879 a post office was opened on Cummings Island. The first postmistress was Mrs. Agnes Cummings, who held the position for 42 years.

By 1879 there were eight streets and 56 families living in the village. Most of the early residents were Anglican. In 1887 they built St. Margaret's Church on Montreal Road on land donated by the Olmstead sisters, the daughters of Gideon Olmstead, another early settler.

The stone used in the construction of the church was provided by Honoré Robillard, the owner of the Gloucester Quarries.

French-Canadian families had moved into the area north of Janeville and across the railway tracks to the east. In 1888 the parish church Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes was consecrated for worship for Roman Catholics.

In the twentieth century the name of Janeville was changed to Eastview and recently to Vanier.

Robert Serré gave us a lively and informative presentation with grace and good humour. He inspired a spirited exchange of comments and questions from members who had lived in the area.

Bob Wesley, showing his  
woodworking planes

#### *Newsletter Editor, Ruth Hall-McMillan*

I'm a life member of the Historical Society of Ottawa and became a member in 1974 when my late Father, Colonel R. H. "Bill" Hall, was Curator of the Bytown Museum.

I was Secretary and Publicity Chairman of the Historical Society of Ottawa.

I received the Volunteer Award Pin for fifteen years service in 1989.

The historical art print of the Bytown Museum & Rideau Canal Locks circa 1893, sold in 1989, was a print of my original historical oil painting.

I Co-founded the Parkinson Society Ottawa in 1978.

I am Past President of the Canadian Author's Association, Ottawa Branch.

I was a Committee Member for 6 years, on the Ottawa Charitable Foundation.

I was a correspondent for the Westboro newspaper NEWSWEST for 8 years.

I was a member of the Heritage Committee of the Ottawa 2000 New Millennium Council.

I have had Multiple Sclerosis for almost 40 years and you'll know me by my red cane. (M.S. is an incurable disease, but normally fatal.)

*October-Family Treasures* by Alan McLay

On October 31st the Historical Society held its own version of the Antiques Roadshow. Although the attendance was smaller than usual, a broad range of collectables and memorabilia were displayed.

I started off with a photograph of a steam yacht that belonged to my great-grandfather, Sir John A. Boyd, the last Chancellor of Ontario. The young boy sitting on the deck was my father. The photo was taken in 1911 on Georgian Bay near an island named Good Cheer that my great-grandfather bought in 1881 and is still owned and enjoyed by the Boyd family.

Jon Church showed us a large pottery crock used for storing wine or vinegar. It was stamped with the name of the Bate Company, owned by a family of prosperous merchants in Ottawa in the late 19th century. Sir Henry Neville Bate became the first chairman of the Ottawa Improvement Commission (a forerunner of the NCC). His brother, C.T. Bate, was elected mayor of Ottawa in 1884. Jon also brought in a publication of the Canadian Union Meeting of June 1922 and two letters written by J.R. Booth.

George Neville brought photocopies of the army report of the Prescott Regiment in 1841 that he discovered in L'Original. The report lists the names of the officers and men who served in the regiment and also counted the number of pacifists such as the Tunkers (an Anabaptist sect), Mennonites, and Quakers who were excused from military service. The Adjutant of the regiment was George Higginson, who later built the Higginson Tower in Vankleek Hill.

Ruth Gray showed us an original copy of Beldan's *New Historical Atlas of Carleton County*, printed in 1879, which had belonged to her grandfather. It was published by subscription & contained portraits, family history & details of farms, villages, and towns. It is very comprehensive and is a valuable resource for geneologists.

Mary McLay displayed three ookpiks (snowy owls) made of sealskin by Inuit artists at Fort Chimo in the 1960s. They became very popular in Canada and around the world as examples of Inuit craftsmanship.

Mary Edwards brought a group photograph of the staff of the Kingston Whig Standard in the late 19th century. Her grandfather, Edward Henry Ball was a printer in Kingston and later in Ottawa.

Katherine Ferguson showed us the Garrison Orders

for the Mounted Parade on Parliament Hill to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of King George V in 1935. The Commanding Officer was Colonel F. B. Inkster, who was Katherine's father. She also included a blueprint of the layout of the regiments and other groups on parade.

George Toller exhibited two canes that had been presented to his great-grandfather, George Bryson, at Fort Coulonge in 1858. One of the canes was carved like a totem pole with an eagle mounted on the handle, painted red and black & probably came from the West Coast. The other cane was covered with vines.

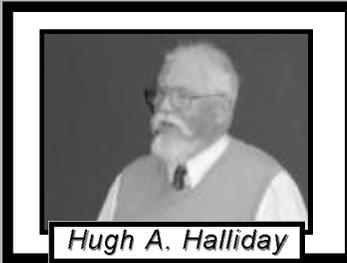
Lana Shaw brought in two stromatolites that she had picked up on the beach near her parents' log home on Cotnam Island near Pembroke. They are sedimentary rocks enclosed in limestone and are 450 million years old. They were formed in the Champlain Sea in the Paleozoic period. They may also be found under the Champlain Bridge here in Ottawa

Herb Sills displayed several wedding pictures of members of his family. His father and mother were married in Woolwich, England in 1915. His father had emigrated to Canada in 1908 and homesteaded on a farm in Saskatchewan. In 1914 he enlisted in the Canadian Army and was sent back to England. Another photo was taken of his Uncle Walter's wedding in London in 1917. Herb's grandfather was a contractor who built barracks for the British Army in the First World War.

Barbara Whitfield showed us a green glass bowl that she had inherited from her grandmother, who lived on the family farm in Bothwell near Chatham. Her grandparents were Mennonites, who drove a horse and buggy and got their water from a pump.

Bob Westley brought in a large box full of wooden planes from his large collection. He described the features of a dozen or more planes and passed them around the room. One early plane was made by Nicholson, an American artisan who worked from 1670 to 1720. It is nine inches long and is made of beech or birch wood. Bob bought it at the Stittsville Flea Market. The oldest Canadian plane in the collection was made by Jean Baptiste Desforges, who worked in Montreal from 1780 to 1830. In 1850 the invention of the iron plane replaced the wooden plane.

Bob presented a copy of his book *A Guide to Canadian Plane Makers & Hardware Dealers* (3rd Edition) to the Historical Society library.



Hugh A. Halliday

### November-Politics of Courage,

*The Editor*

Our Guest Speaker at our November 28th meeting was Historian Mr. Hugh Halliday who was born & educated in Manitoba. In 1961, he joined the RCAF & was employed as a staff officer in the Air Historian Section & subsequently in the integrated Doctorate of History, Department of National Defense. He joined the Staff of the Canadian War Museum and served as Curator of War Art from 1976-85.

His talk was based on his book *Valour Reconsidered*, which inquires into the Victoria Cross. His subject was the Politics of that medal.

The Victoria Cross Award was instituted by Queen Victoria in 1856. It was born of the carnage of the Crimean War which ended in 1854 and was awarded first retroactively, to cover that war.

Halliday is quoted as saying that The Victoria Cross is probably the most famous gallantry award in the world.

The standard for the V.C. is likely the following-

“The most conspicuous bravery, a daring or pre-eminent act of valour, or self-sacrifice or extreme devotion to duty, in the presence of the enemy.”

The Victoria Cross was awarded 522 times between 1856 and 1914. At that time, authorities wondered if the V.C. was being awarded too liberally and why some were approved and some not. Sadly, the award was only given posthumously, after 1920.

Some aces were denied it because of politics. They

were recommended by their officers, but turned down by the Admiralty. Some were ultimately awarded other medals. Some men did not receive the award because they survived intact! So there is always the question, “Is it politics or policy?”

That said, there were ten Victoria Crosses awarded to the Canadian Army in the second World War. Eight appear to be unquestioned valour. But two are clearly influenced by political considerations.

Since World War II it has generally been accepted that the award entails an 80% chance of being killed. But, that fact has never been fully defined.

Early in the second world war, a question was raised, “Shall we award the V.C. merely for shooting down the enemy aircraft?”

The way this was answered was, “No.” Some should have gotten it and others did not. Only two fighter-pilots were awarded the medal and both were for political reasons.

Why does bravery go, “beyond the call of duty”? Is doing one’s job well reason enough for a medal?

The main objections to awards are-

Elitist- So what? What’s wrong with recognizing skill and dedication? Do you object to elitism when you hire a doctor or fire-fighter?

Unfair- Yes, but so what? Life is not fair. There is no guarantee of fairness in life.

Undemocratic- “A society that eulogizes the average citizen is one which breeds mediocrity.”

The above quote by P.E. Trudeau.

When thinking back, the Victoria Cross may have lost some of its status as an icon, but never the less it has grown larger in the world’s eyes, today.

Hugh took questions and answered all, with great wit and charm.

*HSO Bus Excursion to Pembroke. All Photos except Alan’s portrait & the Governor General’s by George Neville*



*Exterior Exhibits  
Champlain Museum*



*Original Carbon-Arc  
Street Lamp*



*Pointer-Boat  
Champlain Trail Museum*

President's Report

Dave Mullington reported that the Collections Committee has prepared a list of about 200 78 rpm phonographic records and has offered them to the CBC and to the Library and Archives Canada. The CBC was not interested, but the Library and Archives has agreed to accept 24 records from our collection.

Susan Moss, our Outreach Coordinator, has distributed copies of our brochure to various locations and she put notices of our monthly meetings in *Heritage Happenings* and the CHOO/COPO website. She also helped prepare a pocket-sized card listing our speakers in 2008-09 for distribution to friends and neighbors. Susan urged our members to invite guests to our meetings as the best way to increase our membership. The Board is planning to have a display table at Heritage Day on Tuesday, February 16, at City Hall. restore funding to these and other areas of the budget for 2009.

On October 2 George Neville organized a very successful bus trip to Pembroke. Lana Shaw gave us a guided tour of the city, pointing out its buildings and murals. We visited the Pembroke Hydro Museum & the Champlain Trail Museum. (see article on page one)

In October Don Carrington published *The History of Joseph Montferrand* by Benjamin Sulte, translated by Iris Neville, in our bytown Pamphlet Series. Copies were handed out to members at the October & November monthly meetings. After the November meeting a volunteer work party mailed copies to members who had not yet received their copies.

At our November meeting the Board of Directors approved a budget for the year 2009. Our Treasurer, Anne Carruthers, prepared our application to the City of Ottawa for a heritage grant of \$3,000. At the time of our meeting the City Council was about to examine a draft budget report calling for severe cutbacks in funding for Arts, Culture and Heritage organizations.

Members of the arts and heritage community made some effective protests at City Hall against the proposed cuts. On December 8 the City council voted to restore funding to these and other areas of the budget for 2009.

The Board approved an annual contribution of 200 pounds to St. Alban's Church in Frant, England, from a special fund for the maintenance of the gravesite of Col. John By and his family.

We regret to inform our members that Christina Tessier has resigned as the Director of the Bytown Museum on December 5. She has accepted a new position at the National Portrait Gallery in Gatineau. I have written to Christina to congratulate her on her new appointment and to thank her for her active cooperation and assistance over the last 5 1/2 years.

On December 5 we held our annual Christmas Luncheon at St. Richard's Church. About 70 members and guests enjoyed a delicious turkey dinner efficiently served by Elke Beeb and her staff. Mary Anne Dancy prepared and served the punch, aided by Barbara Whitfield. Our guests included Steve Dezort and Anne-Marie Bizier from the Bytown Museum and Katherine Pattillo and Leah Batisse from Algonquin College.

After lunch I presented a letter of congratulations to Leah Batisse as the recipient of the Historical Society of Ottawa Award for being nominated as the best student in the Applied Museum Studies program at Algonquin College in 2008. Leah will receive a cheque for \$500 from the College.

I also gave a cheque for \$500 to Cliff Scott as our contribution to the Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair in 2009. Cliff thanked the Historical Society for its continued support of the Heritage Fair. He announced that the Fair would be held at the Canadian Museum of Civilization on Wednesday, April 29.

George Toller was presented with an honorary life membership certificate in recognition of his service on the Board of Directors, especially his excellent work as program coordinator in arranging speakers for our monthly meetings for the last eight year.

The program ended on a festive note with a lively selection of Christmas songs and carols performed by the Nepean Songsters. Our thanks to Herb Sills for arranging such a successful luncheon.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to express our warm wishes to all our members in the New Year.



Inside Lowertown Schoolhouse

**Treasurer's Report** By Anne Carruthers

To December 19, 2008

**Source** **Revenue**

Memberships (Incl. US exchange)-----	\$ 3,162.51
Donations-----	1,535.00
Booklet Sales-----	77.00
Bank Interest on Checking Account-----	4.42
Grants (Ottawa: \$3,000, Ontario: \$900.00)----	\$3,900.00
	\$ 8,678.93

**Expense** **Paid Out**

Diefenbunker rent (storage space)-----	\$1,294.68
Routhier Room rental to June 2009-----	164.82
Membership dues (CHOO & OHS)-----	116.50
Newsletters including envelopes & postage----	1,188.73
Honorarium-----	200.00
Publicity (brochures and program cards)-----	341.23
Office Supplies-----	142.75
Photocopying-----	228.13
Postage-----	830.83
Post Box-----	64.13
Publications (booklets)-----	775.19
Telephone-----	685.00
Website (NCF & domain name for 2008)-----	115.90
Activities-----	69.22
Donations to Bytown Museum-----	1,000.00
(audio tapes and free admission for OHS members)	
Colonel By Award to Carleton University-----	800.00
City of Ottawa Cup Award	
re-Regional Historical Fair-----	150.00
Algonquin College Foundation Award-----	500.00
Ottawa Regional Heritage Fair	
Committee Award-----	500.00
	\$ 9,167.11

**Checking Account Balance at-**  
December 10, 2008-----\$ 9,885.04

**Term deposit at-**  
December 10, 2008-----\$10,585.65

**Membership** Don Baxter

As of December 20, 2008, The Historical Society had 170 memberships active and 197 members.

(One family membership could be two or three people.)

We welcome the following new members who joined in the last three months.

**Edward Bebee**  
**Annette Bédard**  
**Margaret Benneto**  
**Hugh Halliday**  
**Brigitte & Stephen Pollock**  
**Robert Serré**

Unfortunately,  
**Captain D. L. Small**  
passed away in August.  
Our thoughts are with his family.

We have returned mail from  
"Evelyn Yates" in Toronto.  
Does anyone know her address?

## BACK OF MEMBERSHIP FORM

**A NOTE ABOUT  
MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS**

For regular members of the Ottawa Historical Society, your renewal date is shown on your address label newsletter. Please check it and see that you are up-to-date. If not, see the membership renewal form available for you on this page of the newsletter.



**News from the Bytown Museum**  
By Steve Dezort, Program Manager  
Bytown Museum

**Bytown Museum at Winterlude February 2009**

Look for costumed animators from the Bytown Museum during Winterlude weekends. They will be representing canal builders and denizens of olde Bytown.

FREE; Official Winterlude Sites;  
Info: (613) 234-4570 or [www.bytownmuseum.com](http://www.bytownmuseum.com)

**Bytown Museum March Break March 16 - 20**

The Bytown Museum will be coming out of hibernation for March Break. Come and visit our exhibits housed in Ottawa's oldest stone building. Interactive activities including heritage scavenger hunt, pioneer toys and Victorian dress-up will engage younger visitors in the story of Bytown.

Cost (\$3-\$6); 10am-5pm; Bytown Museum, alongside the Rideau Canal, between Parliament Hill and the Chateau Laurier; Info: (613) 234-457 or [www.bytownmuseum.com](http://www.bytownmuseum.com)

**Bytown Museum-December 1st – March 31st**

The Bytown Museum is open by appointment only. If you would like to visit the Museum, please call 613-234-4570 to book an appointment.

**MEMBERSHIP NEW/RENEWAL FORM  
THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OTTAWA**

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 Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_

<b>MEMBERSHIP FEES</b>		<b>PAYMENT</b>
Single-	\$35.00/year	Membership-\$ _____
Student-	\$10.00/ year	Donation-\$ _____
Family-	\$50.00/year	Total \$ _____
Single Life	\$350.00	

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**HELP WANTED, HSO LIBRARIAN**

The Historical Society needs a well organized member to take care of our small library at the Bytown Museum. Previous library experience would be welcomed, although not necessary. The part-time work entails keeping library books in order and filing incoming material.

**Flexible hours.**

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