

# Lake Scugog Historical Society

Dedicated to the history of the Lake Scugog area. Established 1969.



# LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As we move into the second half of the calendar, we are eagerly looking forward to our fall programmes. Elsewhere in this newsletter there are details of our Prince Albert Historical walk. My long-time friend and historical compatriot, Peter Hvidsten has been spending a tremendous amount of time over the past two years or so, researching Prince Albert's early days. Peter has kindly made all of his research available to me and I have used it to add to my own as I prepare for the historical walk in September. All of his new material will add to what I hope will be a stimulating adventure for us as we journey back in time.

It is with deep regret that I have to report that our long-serving, faithful and conscientious treasurer for the Lake Scugog Historical Society has tendered her resignation. Daphne Naasana's business background came to the fore in her regular financial reports. Daphne has been more than a treasurer. Those who have attended our meetings and the Antique Show are familiar with Daphne as the lady behind the gang who provided our refreshments. Daphne was also a leader in planning our car rallies and our Carol Services over the years. Her enthusiasm and conscientiousness will be missed. We all wish her well in her retirement and her embrace of her family. In light of Daphne's retirement, I urge anyone who has business or financial experience, or a mere love of numbers to join us and help out in replacing Daphne's expertise.

As late summer and fall approach, this may be the last chance to reach out to all of you before our fall federal elections swing into full action. I urge you all to take an interest in this critical democratic event. These are indeed significant times as we witness the moral, political and constitutional chaos in Washington. We hope that this disease will not have an impact on our own upcoming federal elections. No matter what our political leanings, we must all get out and participate in the election and encourage everyone to take part in this critical element in the democratic process.

See you this fall. Cheers from your president, Paul Arculus

In honour of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, we have chosen five Scugog families whose ancestors have deep roots in this community and who have made lasting contributions. A celebration will be held in the Spring and the public will be invited to view artifacts and meet the descendants of these families. Legacy booklets are being prepared for the families and these will also be made available to the public. Our plan is to continue to highlight the stories of our important families during the next several years. Please speak to us if you have ideas about other families to be included or if you have artifacts you would like to display.

# Fall 2019 Edition

# UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Prince Albert Cemetery Walk - September 15<sup>th</sup> meet at 2pm Barber & Jeffrey Street



Ted Barris November 7<sup>th</sup> His topic will be his new book RUSH TO DANGER: MEDICS IN THE LINE OF FIRE. He will talk about his father's participation as a US Army medic at the Battle of the Bulge 1944-45, along with stories of other medics.



St. John's Presbyterian Church, 319 Queen Street, 7:30 pm





# Mina Benson Hubbard 1870 – 1956 A True Canadian Heroine

3 By Ed Wilkinson 3

Many people are unaware that one of the greatest and most courageous female explorers of all time was born and raised near Bewdley, Ontario on the west end of Rice Lake. I grew up in the Kawartha Lakes and it astonishes me to think I was sixty years old before I accidentally stumbled upon her remarkable story!

Mina Benson was born on the 15th of April 1870 on a farm on the undulating Rice Lake plains a short distance from Bewdley. Her family had emigrated from Ireland in 1846 and were hard-working pioneers who carved out a life for themselves. Mina was the youngest of seven and went to the one-room school house at Benson's Corners near the family farm and before attending high school in Cobourg.

After graduating high school at sixteen, Mia began a career in teaching, one of the few professions open to a bright young woman in rural Ontario in 1886. She taught at first in her old public school at Benson's Corners and then in Glourourin a few miles south. Mina was by all accounts a good teacher and taught continuously from Sept 1886 to June 1896.

Deciding to swap one respectable career for another and following the lead of an older sister and two cousins, Mina moved to New York City to train as a nurse. (At the time the school of nursing at the Toronto General hospital was not yet up to speed hence the move to New York.)



Mina graduated nursing college in Brooklyn at the head of her class with a ninety-seven percent average. She was posted to a hospital in Staten Island and it was there, in 1900, that she cared for a young man with typhoid fever named Leon Hubbard. Leon was two years younger than Mina and was born in Michigan in 1872. Leon was briefly a rural teacher like Mina but then took up journalism which brought him to New York. Leon Hubbard was also a dreamer with wildly romantic notions of exploring and mapping unknown regions. Mina and Leon soon began a relationship but before agreeing to marry him she took him to Bewdley to meet the parents and get her father's blessing. They were married on January 31 1901.

Leon and Mina settled down in upstate New York and it was here that Leon made a fishing buddy with one Dillon Wallace a lawyer. Wallace wasn't a dreamer like Leon but

he had recently lost his wife which made him susceptible to Leon's enthusiasms. Leon talked him into making an expedition in to the Labrador wilderness to map out the last blank spot on the continent.



For the expedition, Hubbard recruited George Elson an expert canoeist and woodsman of Scots-Cree heritage. Elson grew up in the far north and is a central figure in this saga, as he was to save Dillon Wallace's life. In July 1903 Leon Hubbard, Dillon Wallace and George Elson took a steamer to Hamilton Inlet on the Labrador coast.

Hubbard's plan was to proceed from Hamilton Inlet through Lake Melville and Grand Lake to the Nascaupee river. It was rumoured the Nascaupee would lead them to Lake Michikamau a giant lake in the Labrador interior. From Michikamau they would locate the George river and follow it north to a trading post on Ungava Bay in the Hudson Strait. From there they would catch a fishing vessel back down the coast to home.

This trip was to go through some of the most inhospitable and unforgiving terrain on earth and no European had ever attempted it. Hubbard's plan was based on one very sketchy and faulty trapper's map as well as the recollections of various natives and trappers.

Tragically, the expedition began with a fatal mistake. After leaving Grand Lake the party thought they were on the Nascaupee river but were actually following the Susan river. This mistake cost Leon Hubbard his life. There were so many portages and it was such rough going on the Susan river that by early October, without having reached Lake Michikamau, they realized they must go back or they would perish. By then the snow and cold had taken over, their supplies were



nearly gone, the fish had stopped biting and there were no caribou. Hubbard became so weak he could go no further, so he made camp while George Elson and Dillon Wallace went to seek help with the promise that they would come back for Leon. Wallace didn't make it very far before he too was left behind a short distance from where Hubbard had camped. George Elson instructed Wallace to go back to Hubbard while he went for help. However, Dillon Wallace did not return to Hubbard claiming that he could not find his way. George Elson made an heroic journey and did get help, but returned to find Wallace in bad shape where he had left him. When they reached Hubbard he was dead in his tent from starvation.

A year later they returned to the spot and retrieved Hubbard's body who was buried in upstate New York.

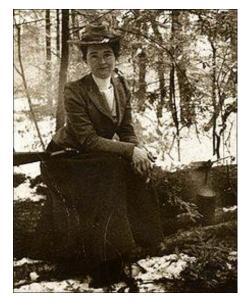
This is far from the end of the story however.

Leon Hubbard had made Dillon Wallace promise that if Hubbard didn't make it he would write the story of the expedition. True to his word Wallace published <u>The Lure of the Labrador Wild</u> in early 1905 and it became a bestseller. It would be an understatement to say that Mina Benson Hubbard from Bewdley did not react well to the book. She thought that Wallace was too quick to blame her husband for faulty judgement and inexperience. She also felt that Wallace did not attempt to go back to her husband but rather stayed put so that it would be easier for Elson to rescue him. There was bad blood between Mina Benson Hubbard and Dillon Wallace .



When Mina learned that Dillon Wallace was planning his own expedition to fulfill her husband's dreams of mapping Labrador's interior, she was very disturbed. She did not want that man to grab any of the glory that she felt belonged to her dead husband. She then decided to mount her own expedition to complete her husband's work and beat Wallace to Ungava bay.

Wallace approached George Elson to sign on with his expedition but Elson turned him down. However when Mina asked him, he readily accepted. In July 1905 the second Hubbard expedition was underway with Mina at the helm. They were to follow Leon Hubbard's original plan with one crucial difference in execution- this time they would correctly locate the Nascaupee river which would lead them to Lake Michimakau, the George river and success.



Mina was a good leader who listened carefully to George Elson for advice but was clearly in charge of the expedition. She had to decide when they reached Lake Michimakau whether they would be able to make Ungava Bay in time to connect with a fishing vessel. This was a hard call to make as they would have to spend the winter if they did not make Ungava Bay by mid-September. The George river that flowed north from Michimakau was unexplored by Europeans and she could not know what was in store if they took it. She was a courageous woman and decided to proceed. They made a remarkable journey to Ungava Bay and landed there on August 27, 1905. The best part is that she beat Dillon Wallace by a full six weeks! She and her companions covered 576 miles in one of the harshest environments on the planet.

In 1908 Mina published a bestselling book A Woman's

Way through Unknown Labrador. In 2004 McGill Queen's University Press published a new edition.

Mina's story does not end there. She moved to England , married into the aristocracy, had three children and maintained a beautiful home in Hampstead. She was killed walking on train tracks in the UK when she was 86 years old.

Mina wasn't just born in Bewdley and moved away shortly thereafter. She grew up there, attended school there, taught school there and she was twenty seven years old before she moved away. This is important local history and there should be a statue of Mina in Bewdley.

If you are interested in this story, I strongly recommend the following books:

<u>The Lure of the Labrador Wild</u> - Dillon Wallace <u>A Woman's Way through Unknown Labrador</u> - Mina Benson Hubbard <u>The Woman Who Mapped Labrador</u> - Buchanan, Hart and Greene <u>Great Heart</u> - Davidson and Rugge

All of these books are readily available online at ABE.

Be warned though, once you get inside this story there is no getting out.



# Membership News, Fall 2019

Our membership numbers continue to grow since our last report as we strive towards 100 members by the end of 2019 (we are presently at 74 with 2 pending). As well at our Annual General Meeting this past May, we created a new membership category for our local businesses that support our Heritage goals and I am pleased to report that we presently have 4 Corporate members and 2 more pending – welcome to our new members the Somerville Family, Gail Sheridan (renewal), Ric Pearce, Marina Brock Family, Brocks Dept. Store, Piano Inn & Café, Peter Hvidsten Co. & Chris Fleming Heritage Restoration.

In our last newsletter, we asked our members if they would help us financially by receiving their newsletter by email rather than Canada Post and the majority of members signed on. We still have some members who wish to continue with mail delivery but it is now very much in the minority thus allowing our funds to go towards some upcoming projects and events rather than the mail system. As well, those members with email accounts also receive up-dates and special invitations to our events that "Pop-Up" between newsletters.

As we work towards making it easier to renew your memberships, the executive is investigating on-line payments for memberships and donations and we hope to be able to report that this option is available for your 2020 renewal.

Growing our membership back to the significant numbers that were present in our early years, we are out and about at various events in the Township so if you see us please drop by for a visit at our information table. Recently, we attended Canoe the Nonquon and are planning to attend the Blackstock Fair and Pioneer Days at the Museum as well as the Annual Antique Show fundraiser in Feb. 2020.

With the help of our members, The Lake Scugog Historical Society can continue to preserve, protect and tell the stories of early Scugog Township. 🕫

If you are presently receiving your newsletter by mail and would like to join our email delivery service please let us know. Email: marilyn.pearce@sympatico.ca

The expression *"beyond the pale"* is a historical one, dating back to the English invasion of Ireland in the 12<sup>th</sup> Century. The noun *pale* refers to a sharpened stick or piece of wood, and fences of this material were used to protect the areas around the greater Dublin region for centuries. To the Anglo-Norman invaders, to venture *beyond the pale* was to leave (their conception of) civilization behind, as well as to venture into regions where they faced real danger.



# **Volunteers Needed!**

If you love history and are interested in volunteering at the Scugog Shores Museum, please contact: Shannon Kelly <u>SKelly@scugog.ca</u>

If you would like to help the Lake Scugog Historical Society, please contact: Paul Arculus arculusp@sympatico.ca



# **Business/Corporate Members**

A big thank you for the support of the following Business Members!



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**Myseum** Although not strictly speaking an organization that focuses on the history of Scugog per se, the Toronto-based organization called Myseum provides a fascinating overview of many aspects of the development of the city and the region, most often through the organization of events that highlight the lives of people and places throughout the area. For example, a quick survey of recent projects includes a lecture on the history of general stores across Canada, early immigrants to "the Ward", histories of the garment industry in Toronto as well as Eatons and Simpsons department stores, local Indigenous histories in the region, etc. Events take place in a variety of locations. Check out the organization at www.myseumoftoronto.com

# **Museums in Ontario**

If you happen to be planning a road trip to enjoy the fall colours, why not combine your drive with a visit to one of Ontario's many historical sites and museums? The Ontario Museum Association website, at <u>www.museumsontario.ca</u> provides a province-wide listing – including Scugog Shores! – and includes contact information for each site's activities and events, both near and far. Take a minute to scroll through the various offerings as you plan your route.



# **Masonic History of Port Perry**

#### ා by Frank B. Young හ

Many people pass this building on Queen Street every day without perhaps realizing that it is Port Perry's Masonic Lodge. The building sits on the south side of Queen opposite the Presbyterian Church and next door to the old Town Hall. The exterior is made of grey stucco and a large square and compass is affixed to one side of the front door. The structure is not particularly old having been erected in 1959, but the Masonic Order itself has been active in the Prince Albert/Port Perry area for well over a hundred years.



The legendary or metaphorical history of the Order goes back to the building of the pyramids and King Solomon's temple, fodder for recent books and films dealing in purely imaginary scenarios. The actual formation of the Lodge we know today started in the eighteenth century in Europe, constructed on the pattern of the Mason's Guild who built the great cathedrals. A lodge would be built on the work sites to instruct apprentices raising them to Fellows of the craft by teaching the secrets of the trade and the ethics of

the Guild.

It was from this that the idea of speculative masonry was born – that is using the working tools of operative masons to reflect on and convey moral truths and ethical behaviour such as square conduct, acting on the level, having upright intentions – all expressions which have their roots in Masonic ritual. It is a system of morality illustrated by hidden or symbolic meanings.

The first speculative Masonic Lodges came to North America also in the eighteenth and early nineteenth century with the British army. Many regiments had their own Masonic lodge and there was no distinction of rank in the lodge; officers and men met as equals.

Masonic Lodges have been in the Port Perry area since at least 1852. Mount Zion Lodge was active in the village of Borelia at this time and Prince Albert Lodge No.183 was listed in the 1869 Directory of Ontario County. However in 1890 Prince Albert Lodge fell into disrepute when, it is rumoured, the local Temperance ladies wrote a letter to Grand Lodge, the ruling body of the order, saying that lodge members were spending their time drinking, smoking and cussing instead of being at home looking after their families. Interestingly, Grand Lodge records make no mention of this; the report in Grand Lodge Proceedings for 1890 stating only that Prince Albert Lodge was in financial straits. Whatever the reason, the lodge charter was withdrawn that year.

Two years later the apparently more sober brethren of Prince Albert Lodge petitioned Grand Lodge to permit them to charter a new lodge to be named Fidelity No. 428. The first Master was Albert John Davis, a native of Port Perry born in 1858, educated in Port Perry and owner of a Drug Store located at the corner of Queen and Perry Streets.



Fidelity Lodge's first meeting took place on June 10<sup>th</sup> 1892 in the old Oddfellows Hall. The following month the Grand Master, Most Worshipful Brother John Ross Robertson, visited Fidelity and addressed the assembled members. John Ross Robertson, a newspaper magnate and founder of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto along with many other philanthropic works was a dynamic speaker and a strict disciplinarian with strong moral views who no doubt imbued his listeners with the righteous path he expected them to follow in the future. The fourteen charter members, all former members of Prince Albert Lodge, included local businessmen, two physicians, a barrister, a teacher and two farmers.

On August 5<sup>th</sup> 1892 the Lodge meeting place was relocated to above what is now Brock's Store. Rent was \$48.00 per annum. A year later the Lodge once again moved, this time to the Allison Block over what was the old I.G.A. store for a yearly rent of \$36.00. In 1896 another move was made to a room at the rear of the Carnegie Hardware Store now Home Hardware. Unfortunately no minutes are available for these early years so the reasons for the constant relocations can only be guessed at. Membership in 1896 was now one hundred and ten members. In 1901 a disastrous fire destroyed the lodge. A gap in history follows but a new Lodge hall on the upper floor of the Blong Block was dedicated on January 7<sup>th</sup> 1907 in a long and exhausting ceremony attended by the Grand Master of that time, Most Worshipful Brother J.H. Burritt. Beginning at 10:00 in the morning, several Masonic Lodges in the district exemplified various Masonic Degrees breaking only for two hours at noon then continuing on until 10:45 that evening when a banquet was served. It was recorded that the Grand Master never visited Port Perry again during his tenure in office. Indeed no Grand Master set foot in Port Perry until the dedication of the present building on Queen Street December 8<sup>th</sup> 11959. The brethren had looked forward to owning their own building and worked enthusiastically to raise the money and to assist in the construction. The first sod was turned on July 1958 and the building was completed by March 1<sup>st</sup> 1959. Much credit goes to the Worshipful Master of the time N.W. Heayn, who supervised the venture.

Fidelity Lodge's original register book has fortunately survived, discovered by the author a few years ago in a desk drawer in the Lodge. Although it was in very poor shape, the register has now been rebound and is still in use today. It is an unbroken record of all the members from the first meeting in 1892. In it can be found the names of many prominent citizens of the town over the years.

The largest influx of members into Masonry was after the First and Second World Wars when many young men returning from the Front were seeking perhaps a philosophy of life on which to focus after the horrors of war.

At the present time there are 59 members in Fidelity Lodge, a number which has remained static over the last few years. Recently, however, a number of men have come forward wishing to join our ranks, a trend it seems that many lodges in Ontario are experiencing. With renewed interest being shown in masonry, Fidelity Lodge hopes to carry on into the next century. 3

From time to time folks approach the Historical Society with artifacts and archival material that they would like to donate and we endeavour to find the most appropriate recipient of their donations. Over the past few months the following donations have been received:

3 Box of Cartwright Revisited Books : Donated by the Van Camp Family as a fundraiser for the Historical Society

c3 Photo and written research of the PPHS 1951 class : Donated by Tina Harvey on behalf of the McIntyre Family

ශ Poster of Dispersal Sale of Les Faux - Conc. 1 Brock (1968): Donated by Isabel Lee and forwarded to Durham Farm Connections Heritage Archives.

Thanks to all of the above.





The Scugog Sports Hall of Fame celebrates its 13th season Nov. 7 at the Scugog Community Recreation Centre, with doors open at 6 p.m. The induction ceremony begins at 7 p.m., as we proudly welcome hockey standout Casey van Schagen, former president of Port Perry District Minor Softball Carolyn Best, the 1994/95 Port Perry IGA Junior A Ringette Team, and the Warriner Curling Team into the Hall.

The public is invited to join the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame in celebrating the careers and achievements of our inductees and sports in our township. The event includes a cash bar, silent auction, guest speaker and a memorable evening suitable for the whole family. If you know an athlete or builder worthy of induction into the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame, complete a nomination form which can be found by searching for the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame online at <u>scugog.ca</u>.

#### Did You Know??

The members of which ethnic group were once forced to pay a head tax to emmigrate to Canada?

What was the name of the route to Canada taken by slaves escaping from the southern US?

Name the war in which what is now Canada was invaded by the United States?

Name the Canadian who won the Nobel Prize for Peace in 1957 and then went on to become Prime Minister.

What is the name of the Indigenous peoples of Newfoundland who were driven to extinction by Europeans?

Many early settlers in what is now New Brunswick and Nova Scotia were resettled by the British government. What are those people and their descendants called?

Chinese/Underground Railway/War of 1812/Lester B. Pearson/Beothuks/Acadians

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Single Membership (1 vote)\$10 per calendar yearFamily Membership (2 votes)\$20 per calendar yearCorporate Membership (1 vote)\$25 per calendar yearCorporate Membership/Sponsors will be recognized on the<br/>LSHS website and in in our newsletter.

I agree to receive my newsletter and notice of events through email delivery: Yes □ No □ I would like to support the work of the Lake Scugog Historical Society with an optional gift of \$\_\_\_\_\_ Please make cheques payable to Lake Scugog Historical Society.



# **Prince Albert Historical Walk**

by Paul Arculus

Join us in taking a walk back in time, to the 1850s in Prince Albert.

On Sunday September 15, our president, historian Paul Arculus, will lead us on a walk through historic Prince Albert as it was in the 1850s. Prince Albert was, in the 1840s and 1850s, a true boom town.

While Port Perry struggled to establish itself as a settlement of around 100 citizens, neighbouring Prince Albert was a bustling town of 600 residents, a thriving community of hotels, tanneries, three churches, a school, dozens of stores and workshops occupied by wagonmakers, harnessmakers, shoemakers, blacksmiths, tailors and grain merchants, a drug store and several general merchants, two jewelers and a watchmaker. The first newspaper in this part of Ontario was published in Prince Albert in 1857. There was even a drill shed where the local militia practiced its military skills.

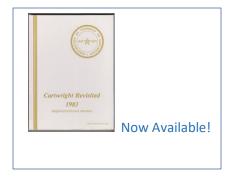
An astonishing fact is that Prince Albert was, by volume, the second-largest grain handling centre in Canada during this era. This was due in no small measure to the existence of seven aggressive grain merchants in the community who attracted farmers to bring their grain to sell to them rather than undertake an arduous journey to Toronto or Kingston. Prince Albert's volume was surpassed only by Brantford.

Prince Albert's bustling and optimistic commercial life was brought to an abrupt end with the arrival of the railroad. When talk of the railway from Whitby to Port Perry began to gain momentum in 1868, the businessmen realized that they would be more successful at the northern terminal rather than at a station on the line. The fate of the community was sealed when the first train passed through Prince Albert on its way to Port Perry in 1871. One of the last businesses to leave Prince Albert was its newspaper. It relocated in Port Perry in 1873.

The only businesses to remain were the Post Office and general store.

Our tour guide, Paul, will guide us through the town during its boom-town status, giving us some of the gossip and scandals of the era, including a couple of murders and pointing out the residences of some of its more notable citizens. These include James McBrien who became the Chief of General Staff of the Canadian Army in 1920 and later, the head of the RCMP. McBrien was knighted in 1935.

The tour will begin at the Prince Albert United Church at the corner of Barber and Jeffrey Streets on Sunday September 15 at 2:00 p.m. rain or shine. There is no charge for the tour although a collection will be taken at the conclusion of the walk, with the entire proceeds to be used by the Lake Scugog Historical Society to further their projects. 3





#### PLEASE CONTACT US!

We want to hear from you. We always welcome new members and new ideas. We can be found and contacted on Facebook under: Lake Scugog Historical Society

Our Website is <a href="http://lakescugoghistoricalsociety.com/">http://lakescugoghistoricalsociety.com/</a>

The site contains information about our upcoming meetings and projects.



The Museum Village is open daily, 10am to 4pm until August 30<sup>th</sup>.

Explore the eleven buildings of our historic pioneer village and the Ojibway Heritage Interpretive Lands. Guided tours are provided daily throughout the summer.

# Driftwood Theatre Bard's Bus Tour – A (Musical) Midsummer Night's Dream

# August 11<sup>th</sup>, 7pm

The award-winning Driftwood Theatre returns to the village to present their outdoor 'pay-what-you-can' theatre event. Driftwood Theatre is Ontario's leading outdoor summer touring theatre company. The company strives to break down barriers to experiencing and participating in theatre art by bringing theatre and engagement opportunities to audiences in Ontario who may not have access to professional performances. Driftwood has performed for over 10,000 people in venues across the province since 1994.

#### Pioneer Day

# August 25<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 4pm

See the Museum Village come to life as it rings to the sounds of the blacksmith, woodwright, printing press, steam engines and many other heritage demonstrators. This year will include a classic car show. Taste traditional treats and observe local craftspeople at work. Regular admission applies.

# Murder Mystery Evening: 'Pistols, Passion, and Poltergeist'

# September 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 – 10:30pm

This is an interactive night of intrigue! You are the detective. Explore the Museum Village, question the suspects, search for clues, and solve the crime. Tickets are \$25 and must be purchased in advance.



Tickets sell out every year so get yours early to avoid disappointment. Doors open at 7:00pm. The event starts at 7:30pm.

### Adventures at the Boo-seum

### October 19<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 3pm

Enjoy a spook-tacular day of Halloween-themed activities. Move through the Museum village doing creepy crafts or trying your hand at our mystery boxes, if you dare. Listen to spooky stories and visit the 'haunted' Lee house. If that isn't enough toil and trouble, take a chance at some games and see if you can make it out of the mysterious maze. This is a family-friendly event with some scary content. Regular admission applies.

#### Children's Old-Fashioned Christmas in the Village

# December 8<sup>th</sup>, 11am – 3pm

Step back in time and tour through the historic village, traditionally decorated for the holidays with evergreen boughs, bright ribbons, and berries. Children can visit with Santa Claus, create unique ornaments to hang on the tree, decorate traditional Victorian Christmas Cards and explore the Museum Village with a holiday scavenger hunt. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for students and \$2.75 for seniors. Children 12 & under are \$2, or FREE with a non-perishable food donation for Operation Scugog.

# Lake Scugog Historical Society Annual Meeting – May 2019



President Paul and founding member Claudette share memories of Museum's early years



Members enjoying a visit and coffee

