

The background of the cover is a photograph of a cemetery. In the foreground, several large, dark grey granite gravestones are visible, some with intricate carvings. The ground is covered in green grass. In the background, a large tree with vibrant yellow and orange autumn leaves stands prominently against a clear blue sky. Other smaller gravestones are scattered across the middle ground.

LSHS Archivist

~ NEWSLETTER OF LAKE SCUGOG HISTORICAL SOCIETY ~

SCOVILLE CEMETERY - FALL 2023



Marilyn Pearce

President's Message



Linking the past, present and future is what our Fall newsletter is all about. LSHS has taken part in many events this past year, recording the stories and documents of our past but also trying to find new ways to connect those stories to our present and our future.

A number of stories included in this newsletter are from new writers to LSHS and are for the most part stories that have been untold. Historians traditionally talk about saving buildings and preserving artifacts for future generations but our goal has been to add community stories to those buildings and artifacts. We look for new photos, old minute books and maps you may not have seen before as well as untold stories that tell of the people and their lives during good times and bad.

This past summer LSHS convened a reunion of some of the original Scugog Island families. We met at the Scugog Island Church for an afternoon tea complete with photo albums and stories of early life growing up on the Island. LSHS was able to document so much more to our archives from that afternoon. These folks are witnesses to the past and an essential bridge between the past, present and future.

In the fall, LSHS spent a Sunday afternoon in Greenbank first at the Pines Cemetery and later at the Greenbank Hall. An idea at the cemetery that we take photos today of the families visiting their ancestors of the past led to some of the photos in Out and About this month. What a great idea moving forward.

Capturing our history through the people and stories of the community today is a way to ensure that this history does not get lost. Everyone young and old learn from history and as we well know history is cyclical so knowing it may mean that we don't repeat our mistakes.

I hope you enjoy the stories and photos in this newsletter but more so I hope it encourages you to make the connection between the past, the present and the future. It is said that the younger generation will just throw everything away once we are gone –what a failure we will have been if we let that happen.

They are not just old photos and stories they are who we are and what we have become. LSHS hopes by printing the stories, digitizing the newspapers and photos and speaking whenever we can to our youth we can demonstrate why history is important .If we succeed we will leave a lasting legacy to our community.



2023

- 1** **Nov. 14: LSHS Executive Meeting** - 6:30 p.m.
Chamber of Commerce Annex - 250 Queen Street
- 2** **Nov. 24:** Candlelit Walk & Tree Lighting
Palmer Park, Port Perry - 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- 3** **Nov. 26: Blackstock Ag. Society Christmas Craft Show**
Blackstock Community Centre - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
LSHS selling historical books and items for Christmas
- 4** **Dec. 2: Scugog Santa Claus Parade**
5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Port Perry
- 5** **Dec. 3: Children's Olde Fashioned Christmas**
Scugog Shores Museum - 11 a.m.- 3 p.m.
- 6** **Dec. 12: Xmas Social Show & Tell:**
Piano Café: 7-9 p.m. " Bring along your best" historical Scugog item and LSHS will do the same. All Welcome.

2024

- 7** **Jan. 9, 2024: LSHS Executive Meeting** - 6:30 p.m.
Location to be announced
- 8** **Feb. 3 & 4: 26th Annual Antique Nostalgia Show**
Scugog Community Centre - 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Print & Save for future reference.

Out & About

GREENBANK PINES CEMETERY “WALK & TALK”

The Lake Scugog Historical Society held a “Walk & Talk Tour” of the Pines Cemetery, Greenbank on Sept. 17, 2023. The afternoon tour of the cemetery was followed by exhibits at Greenbank Hall.



Leask Family ancestors at Pines Cemetery Greenbank.



Shirley Foster at the Watson family stone marker at The Greenbank Pines Cemetery.



DR. AMY BARRON FINAL SPEAKER FOR 2023

Dr. Amy Barron was the guest speaker for the LSHS Speaker Series, on Nov. 7, 2023 in the Presbyterian Church Hall. She provided an informative talk about “What Archaeologists Do When the World Is At War



Dr. Amy Barron

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Eudora Helen Jones

A Canadian Nursing Sister



By Brian H. McLatchie

Eudora Jones was born in Port Perry on November 16, 1880, daughter of merchant Charles W. Jones. She died in 1972.

At a recent Pine Grove Cemetery tour I passed by Eudora's grave and thought back to the association of her to my wife's family. Eudora was a great niece to my wife and when she passed a package of her letters and photos albums were sent to us.

We often thought of Eudora as the "forgotten Jones" given the fascinating history of the Jones family members that came before her in Port Perry. However, Eudora had a history of her own quite early in her life. She had become a registered nurse and was working in the Sherbrooke Quebec hospital when at the age of 26 she volunteered to treat wounded soldiers during the Great War.

Eudora was given the rank of Nursing Sister that July and immediately shipped to Europe. The Sisters were issued officer rank to give them control over the non-commissioned soldiers who would make all manner of unwanted advances.

Her first posting was at a hospital in England near Cliveden at a country estate loaned for a hospital for



Nursing Sister Eudora Jones.



Eudora in centre of a World War I hospital.



Medic Ambulances lined up for duty.

Canadian troops who were well enough to withstand the journey from the front in France. There she nursed young men who needed rehabilitation so they could return to the front as well as treating those with limb amputations, serious internal wounds, loss of sight, and shell shock. Dressing wounds and comforting young men oft never to be the same again.



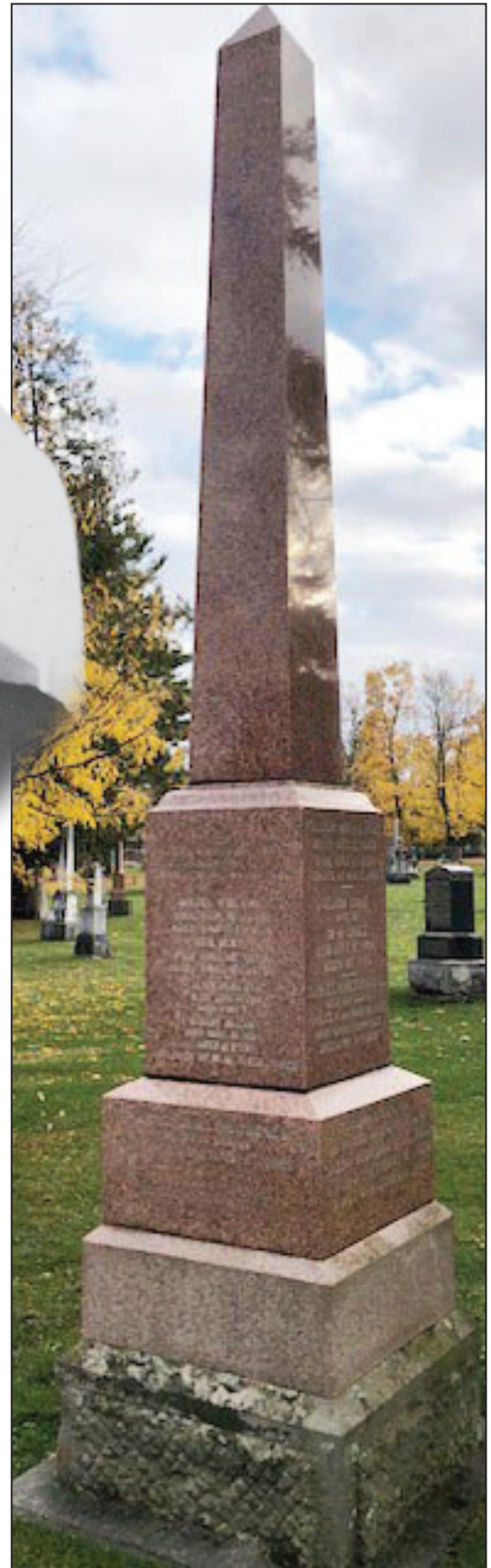
That however was rather tame compared to what laid ahead for within two months Eudora was transferred to Etaples in France near the front lines close enough to hear the bombing. Here the freshly wounded were transferred from the temporary medical stations at the front.

The Nursing Sisters would be on their feet for more than 12 hours per day treating injuries much more serious than those they saw in England. Young men frightened and in terrible pain with no antibiotics to fight infections. One nurse reportedly struggled to bed after her shift saying she had to assist at 12 amputations. This was definitely different than what the Nursing Sisters experienced in Canadian civilian hospitals.

The Nursing Sisters also had to deal with the serious illnesses that arose in the dirty environment of the front. Eudora was one of those who became physically ill and had to be evacuated to England in late 1917 and was not able to fulfill her duties any longer.

It appears from her letters that she did return to nursing in military hospitals in England as she was not released from service until 1919. At that point she gave up nursing.

When one visits the Pine Grove Cemetery and sees the tall red granite stone in the south east corner of Section C, take a look up and you'll see Eudora's name. Run your hand across her name and say thank you.



Jones monument at Pine Grove - Eudora's name at top.

The Speaker Series



Lake Scugog Historical Society director Bill Minors with Adam Shoalts. Adam filled the hall at the Presbyterian Church and gave an informative and enjoyable talk and slide show detailing his adventures exploring the wilds of northern Canada.

Out & About

Heritage & Culture Days



Scugog Shores Museum Curator Robyn Pegg with her mother Susan at Heritage Days.



Peter Wokral presentation of History of Grain Elevator for Culture Days Palmer Park.

Prince Albert Student Cemetery Tour



It was a beautiful fall day on Wednesday, October 25th when LSHS past president Paul Arculus met with a group of young people from the Prince Albert Public School to tour the Pine Grove Cemetery. Paul provided a delightful stroll through the cemetery grounds, which was blanketed with colourful fall leaves, all the while educating the students about some of the earliest settlers of Reach Township.

Pictured above, students gathering around Paul before setting out on their tour. Above right, Paul, sporting his new walker, leading the students through the cemetery. Bottom right, Marilyn and Paul, sheltering from light rain, at the gravesites of members of the Crandell family, the first settlers in Reach Township.



LSHS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

The LSHS membership continues to grow. As we reported at our recent AGM in May there were 102 members in 2022. As we begin the month of November 2023 we now have 128 members. That's a 25% increase this year.

We would like to welcome our new members since August.

LIFE MEMBERS: Brian McLatchie, Muriel McMaster, Raymond Smith, Amanda & Ben Kiezebrink .

NEW MEMBERS: Gary & Brenda Manns, Rachel & Paul Manns, Corne & Anneli Pretorius, Barb Karthein, David & Lisa McGill, John & Doreen Drimmel, Michael Brock, Joanne Chiusolo.

Anyone who joins or renews in the last three months of the year automatically are renewed for the following year so if you renew now it is good for 2024.

Your membership helps fund our operational costs – the newsletter, the insurance, the web-page hosting, accounting, student bursary, office expenses. These expenses have all increased in 2023.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your membership please let us know and thanks for your support in 2023.

- **Receive three yearly newsletter delivered by email or traditional Canada Post mail.**
(members preference)
- **Free admission to Speaker Series.**
- **Email reminders of upcoming events.**
- **Discounts of 10% on book purchases of Society publications.**

Please fill out this form and continue to support the Lake Scugog Historical Society as we preserve, protect and tell the stories of our heritage.



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Tracing the history of Utica's Breadalbane Presbyterian Church

By Darlene Christie

John Christie was a Scotsman, born in 1798 and raised in Breadalbane, Perthshire County and before 1825 he married Janet McAlpine. They had 5 children; Duncan, Donald, Hugh, Jane and John. Sadly, just before their departure to Australia John's beloved Janet died abruptly, leaving him a widower with 5 young children and as abruptly, John's life and plans were changed ... as was our destiny.

Now, about 1832-33, John's cousins had emigrated to Canada and settled near Fitchett's Corners (now Manchester). Also his very good friend, John McKercher, had settled at McKercher's Corners' (now Utica). Through the exchange of letters, the friends and relatives persuaded John to bring his family to Canada since a nearby 200 acre lot was available. And they did, arriving to take possession in 1836 and ownership by 1844.

The story of the creation of Breadalbane Church goes that John walked 14.5 miles to 'Star Hill' in Whitby each Sunday to attend Kirk, where he met and married his second wife, Elizabeth (Eliza) Macdonald, in 1845.

The Presbyterian Church sat on the SW corner of Wilson & Winchester Roads. On that intersection's NW corner, down off the road, under the trees is a lonely cairn and one unbroken, broken tombstone marking a previous cemetery: Its inscription reads "Elim Cemetery 76 Lot No 12 Conc. 5 E Whitby". It even has its own 9-1-1 #, as does the empty field across Winchester where the church had stood.

(Since there is no record of Eliza at Utica Cemetery I assume that she may have been buried where she had lived with her parents, possibly Columbus or at the above-named cemetery).

Likely due in large part to Eliza's 'insistence' John was compelled to write to the Marquis of Breadalbane to plead the need of a closer Kirk in which to worship and in that pursuit to seek his advice and assistance. The Marquis came through with 20 Pound sterling to help with the building of a Church.

A Kirk session was formed and John offered an acre of his land for the sum of \$20.00 as the site for the new Kirk. With many volunteering time, work, materials and money their Kirk was built by 1849. The pretty wee kirk in its setting on the highest hill, surrounded by ancient forest would surely rival any Kirk 'back 'ome' as a Mecca of serenity and contemplative worship.

Breadalbane was now a member, in good standing, of the larger body of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

As in most family, friends' and community affairs, there is conflict. At this late date, we can only speculate, a feud existed between good friends "McKercher (representing the Board) vs Christie (the Grantor)" and vice versa.

The law suits began in the mid 1860's. In December 1864 the Trustees brought a Chancery Court suit against John Christie to force him to convey the land to them.. By December 1865 this had not been done, since his rightful payment had not yet arrived. So, in 1866 another Chancery



JOHN
CHRISTIE SR.



A 1689 map of Scotland showing the borders of Breadalbane Province (in blue, at the centre of the map, as "broad alba-in")

Court suit was brought against John for failing to convey the church and cemetery property in a timely fashion.

In 1867, John successfully brought suit indenturing the Trustees for the payment of his land, (which had been owed since 1849 plus \$1.49 interest), with additional provisions:

1. That $\frac{1}{4}$ A of cemetery be reserved exclusively for burial of himself, his family, heirs, successors and assigns;
2. That the church land may not be sold;
3. That (in the event the church may cease to be used for worship) General Meetings must be held every 5th year on the 16th day of April to elect 2 or more Trustees;
4. That meeting minutes must be kept;
5. That any dowry rights would be given up by Eliza Christie.



Breadalbane Presbyterian Church, Utica, Ontario.



Breadalbane Church plaque 1849-1900.

I have heard reference made to "a fire" by my Dad, as well as Mac and Donald Christie. Completely understandable considering that it was a 50 year old wood frame building that was heated by a single wood stove. Dorothy Smith contends that it was just 'time' to spruce up the dilapidated frame building. Possibly there was some "building-envy" directed to the Methodists' 20 year-old fancy brick church that constantly drew attention to the shabbiness of their own old relic.

By January 29, 1900 the first Building Committee meeting took place in the church likely to inspect and assess damage. That day the committee's resolutions were:

- "That we repair the church and add a stone basement under it." AND
- "That John Stoven draw a plan and specifications for repairing the church."

(Mr Stoven was a bricklayer from North of Uxbridge)

The project was commissioned, completed and paid for all within 10 months at a total cost of \$1,361.00.

My Dad, Duncan Allely (Al) Christie, great grandson of John, grandson of Duncan and son of Edwin, was born February 7, 1900 and was the first baby

christened in the 'new' church in time for its grand re-opening November 4, 1900.

On Monday, November 5th, a "tea" and concert were held and they raked in \$87.74.

At the next annual general membership meeting January 3, 1901, a Mr. Walker made a motion, seconded by Mr. Stuart and unanimously carried:

- "That we members and adherents of this congregation express our deepest sense of obligation to Mrs. John Christie for her [sic] very liberal donation toward the rebuilding of this Church.

While there is no gravestone in the cemetery with 'the second' Mrs. John Christie's name many have doubted her existence. Well, doubt no more - at the top of the list of donors for the new church is Mrs. John Christie beside a sum of \$1,001.10. Mrs. Eliza Christie nearly paid for the whole renovation.

Thank you very much Eliza! I think she was the driving force behind the idea to build a church in the first place and 50 years later, she generously gifted to its creation. Over the years she has been pitifully neglected but to me she looms extremely 'large' as the heroine of the story of the creation and re-creation of Breadalbane Presbyterian Church in Utica.

LSHS Antique Show & Sale



Large crowds attended the fall Antique Show at the Scugog Arena October 21, 22.



Mary Brinkman and Doreen Ashbridge.

Out & About

Historical Tour of Port Perry



Bob Prentice and Claudette Brock share memories at the memorabilia table.



Peter Wokral led a group of residents on a tour, explaining the architecture of Port Perry's historic buildings. The event took place on July 11, and ended in with Q&A at the Piano Cafe.



Janis Carter, Rachael Manns and Nancy Hvidten served up snacks at the refreshment booth.



The tour stopped in front of the post office and learned about its history.



Peter ended his tour at the former Leonard Block, where he answered questions.

Head Church Exhibit



Exciting Events at the Museum Village during 2023

Submitted by Robyn Pegg, assistant curator, Scugog Shores Museum



Throughout the 2023 open season, the Scugog Shores Museum Village and Archives saw over 1,000 visitors! This includes individuals who received tours of the buildings, an education program, and those who attended our events. Successful events so far this year include the Northern Ramblers Car Show, Heritage Day, two evenings of Ghost Tours, and Adventures at the Boo-seum. We also have our Children's Old-Fashioned Christmas that is happening on Sunday December 3rd from 11-3 pm.

For our first ever Ghost Tour, this event was a huge success! Members of the public were invited to join the staff after dark and discover the Museum's haunted history as they learned about the lingering spirits and the messages that the ghosts wanted to get across. Staff shared information on the encounters we have had over the years, as well as the equipment we used to communicate with the spirits and provided a demonstration with dowsing rods. With the high demand, no expenses, and earning almost \$800 in profit, this event was a huge hit and will be worthwhile to do again.



Adventures at the Boo-seum was our most recent event, and although the weather did not cooperate, 88 visitors came out to see the buildings decorated for Halloween. From a haunted house to a skeleton band, a witch's lair to a creepy doll hospital, a psychic to a skeleton wedding, and more, we made sure to have something everyone would enjoy. A huge thank you also went out to three local farms (Nature's Bounty, Forsythe Family Farms, and Knox Pumpkin farm) for donating pumpkins for us to offer pumpkin carving to the visitors. Of course, we could not have put on this event without our wonderful volunteers.

In other news, the Lee House is getting restored! An RFQ has been submitted and we are gathering quotes for the repairs. The repairs include replacing the support posts in the basement, replacing the roof and repairing the chimney, insulating the exterior walls and repairing the exterior clapboard, repairing the windows and doors, and repairing the loose and damaged plaster. A new furnace will also be going in. Although this process will take some time, we are very excited to see the Lee House restored to its former glory. Be sure to stop by next year to see the progress!



Norman F. Paterson

By David Coombs

Norman Fitzherbert Paterson Q.C. led a varied, productive and loved filled life often meeting much adversity and each time lived up to his cherished motto – HENCE I RISE .

Norman Paterson was born September 3 1843 in Springfield Ontario. Archibald Campbell his father, moved to Canada West in the 1830s and had a mill/feed store in Springfield. In 1837 he married Cornelia Thompson and they had six children one of whom was Norman.

After Archibald died in 1850, Cornelia and children and moved to Toronto, By the age of 11 Norman worked in a store and by 1855 was working at a law office presenting “a rather striking spectacle as he sat perched on a high stool at his desk his feet dangling in the air.”

In 1859, age 16, he passed the exam of the Law Society required if an applicant to the study of law had not attended university.

In 1861 he moved to Beaverton and by spring was admitted to the Law Society. There was a least one other lawyer in Beaverton at that time and it is most likely that Norman studied with him and on February 7 1865 at age 21 he was sworn in as a solicitor. Shortly thereafter, he moved back to Toronto. He decided to enroll at the Royal Military School in Toronto, one of six opened in Upper and Lower Canada between 1864 and 1865. He qualified for the rank of Captain in the militia. By 1866 he had opened a law office on King Street East.

In either 1867 or 1868 he returned to Beaverton and established his practice.

Meanwhile in September 1866 the 34th Ontario Regiment of Infantry was formed by amalgamating 9 militia companies. It was headquartered in Whitby.

In 1871 the 34th Regiment created a new militia company in Beaverton and Norman at age 28 became the first Captain. Less than two weeks later the Fenian raids, led by Irish Americans upset with Britain, had invaded Upper Canada. At the same time Norman and his company joined with the other companies of the 34th and embarked by steamer to Niagara on the Lake for their annual drill.

After drills at Niagara, Norman returned to Beaverton to resume his practice and to court Sarah Curie of Prince



Norman F. Paterson. Q.C.

Albert daughter of George and Sarah Currie. The couple married in Prince Albert December 19 1872.

In 1873 Norman. expanded his practice to include Cannington. In 1874 Norman & Sarah’s 1st child was born, Frank Carlton.

The following year tragedy and failure hit the Paterson household. Their infant son died. That same year Norman (now a Barrister) contested a provincial election in the riding of Ontario North. The press in Port Perry trumpeted his nomination “ Norman F. Paterson, Esq., has been chosen standard bearer in the interests of the opposition and these interests are identical with the best interests of the province and of the Dominion. It is more than likely that the Government party will withdraw their candidate as soon as they learn that the Opposition have got an efficient man in the field ”. Despite such optimism, the Liberals won a very close vote and Paterson was defeated.

Despite the defeat Norman’s practice continued to flourish and the family began to expand. Sarah gave birth March 10 1877 to her first daughter, Eva Lillian. On May 25 that year Norman was appointed Major of the 34th.

The next year the family welcomed Norman Frederick to the fold and prepared to move to Port Perry. The change of scenery dramatically altered Norman’s life. He quickly became the clerk and solicitor of the rapidly expanding town and was, over the next decade appointed Chairman

of the school board, a member of the Ontario County council, a strong supporter of the Anglican Church, a Mason and an avid curler. In June 1883 his legal acumen was recognized when the Governor General of Canada made him a Queen's Counsel, a designation he proudly displayed for the rest of his life. The good tidings continued and on October 9 1884 Helen Cornelia (Nonnie) entered the world.

His profile within Ontario County grew quickly due to his many legal triumphs, his volunteer interests and, I suspect, because he "was considered one of the finest Conservative speakers of his day." He befriended Sir John A. MacDonald, taking part in many political campaigns and according to a Globe and Mail article became "a bosom friend of the late Sir John A. MacDonald." In December 1886 Sir John visited Port Perry and a large crowd gathered to see and hear him speak.

At that time my grandmother Nonnie was 2 years and 2 months old. Many years later, she told me that once "I sat on Sir John's knee." In the 1880's Norman got involved with the Independent Order of Foresters (I.O.F.).

In 1888, with a growing family, Sarah and Norman purchased 289 North Street for \$1500. The house built in 1871 had 8 rooms plus the kitchen. "The wrap around porch, decorative posts and trim, arched windows made the home look very striking."

Two years later tragedy struck. *The Ontario Observer* reported that the palatial residence of Mr. and Mrs. N.F. Paterson Q.C., on North Street was burned to the ground." Fortunately all the family got out along with most of the contents. The family took up temporary residence on Ella Street and soon returned to a newly built brick home on their former property. The home is now identified as a heritage house of cultural value in Scugog.

Norman attained his final military promotion July 22 1892 when he was promoted to Lt. Colonel, 34th Regiment. He held this position until December 11 1898 although there was a three year gap in his involvement as in 1892 he accepted an offer from the I.O.F. to become the General Superintendent of the Order in Great Britain.



This unique frame home. located at 289 North Street, was the home of Norman F. Paterson and his family.

Colourized photo from original at Scugog Shores Museum.



Norman F. Paterson Family

Standing left, Harold Paterson (nephew), Norman F. and Eva Paterson. Front left, Col. Norman F. Paterson, Helen Paterson and Sarah (Currie) Paterson.

Photo by W.H. Leonard, Port Perry.

At that time, he resigned his positions as clerk and solicitor for Port Perry and received two illuminated addresses and a gold watch. The address reads "Your many and loveable qualities of mind and heart, your professional eminence, your alert zeal in works of charity and of Christian beneficence have all served to endear you to us." He and his family sailed in December 1892 for England, not to return until late 1895.

Norman returned and practiced law in Port Perry in 1897 and for part of 1898. He also had a presence in Uxbridge in 1901 to 1902 with the firm N.F. Paterson and S.S. Sharpe.

Suddenly in 1904 Norman's life was hit with another tragic event. There was a severe downturn in the stock market and Norman lost everything. In 1905, he and Sarah took drastic steps, selling their home and moving the family to Owen Sound where he partnered with a local lawyer. Norman worked very hard for the next four years and was rewarded in June 1908 when he received the appointment as Registrar of the Court Of Appeal for Ontario at Osgoode Hall.

Norman retired as registrar at age 80. He died in 1923 while visiting with his daughter in Port Dover.

SPORTS *Scugog* HISTORY

mysteries of the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame

By Leanne Ashbridge

In 2009, the Township of Scugog opened a permanent space for the Scugog Sports Hall of Fame exhibit at the Scugog Heritage Centre above pad 2 at the Scugog arena. The first volunteer Curators, Wayne Venning and Ron Redman started to acquire artifacts and archives that represented the sports history of Scugog. Items were donated by Hall of Fame inductees, past members of Scugog sports organizations, members of championship teams yet to be inducted and community members who had collected items over many years.

Wayne retired as Curator in 2019 and since then a small group of people have taken on the task of organizing the extensive collection that was originally acquired and adding to the collection each year. In 2023, we have acquired more than 50 new artifacts to the collection of over 500 items related to sports organizations of Scugog and past Inductees.

During this process, we have some mysteries that we have yet to solve. Artifacts donated without their story. Where they came from, who donated them, how they are connected to Scugog or to a Hall of Fame inductee.

The **Newman Cup Hockey Jacket** has been part of the collection since 2009. The patch indicates the team was the Newman Cup Champs in 1951/52 season. We haven't been able to find too much information about the Newman Cup Championship and would like to know who this jacket may



Newman Cup Hockey Jacket



Red Corduroy Hockey Jacket



Unidentified members of the Doupe's Store Prince Albert hockey team. The Doupe's operated the general store in Prince Albert during the 1950s -1960s.

have belonged to and who may have played on this Championship team.

The **Hockey Team**, sponsored by Doupe's store in Prince Albert was donated in 2022 from the McKee collection. We know the coach and we can identify some of the players in what we think is a 1966 picture. We would like to know all the players in the picture and some history about the photo. Was this a house league team or a rep team? Where was the photo taken, possibly at a tournament?

The **Red Corduroy Hockey Jacket** was recently purchased by the Hall of Fame after it was donated to Camille's closet. It appears to have belonged to a coach, team manager or an Executive of Port Perry Minor Hockey. We think it dates to the 1980s. We are looking for any information about who may have worn it and any history about the jacket.

Any information about these items would help add to their story and our research. Can you help solve these mysteries?

Contact: liashbridge@gmail.com

Lynn Philip Hodgson

Scugog's 'Spymaster' passes away

By Rik Davie

It was with sadness that the Lake Scugog Historical Society and the community learned recently of the passing of former Scugog Councillor Lynn Philip Hodgson after a long valiant battle with cancer. It was this writer's honour and pleasure to call Hodgson a friend, collaborator and a brother in the truest sense of the word.

At the same time this country has lost one of the great protectors of Canada's secret history.

Lynn was a civic minded person interested in Scugog Township and its welfare almost from the time he and wife Marlene arrived on Scugog Island. He was elected to the Council seat for the Island in 2003 and served for two terms. He delved into our history and took great pleasure in his role with everything historical especially the Scugog Shores Museum where he served as the Council representative and Chairman.

Lynn was also fondly remembered by Township of Scugog's staff. Something not always easy to come by for rookie councillors. Kim Coates, longtime Clerk of the Township on learning of his passing said, "he was always wonderful to work with and he was a true gentleman in every sense of the word."

Former Scugog Mayor Marilyn Pearce said of her



fellow council member, "a hard working councillor who was always prepared and always involved and he and Marlene were good friends as well."

This writer remembers with a smile how Lynn assisted him in beginning Vettes' for Vets on Canada Day and how the pair even managed to have a WWII Sherman Tank appear in Palmer Park.

But Lynn Philip Hodgson was first and foremost the love of Marlene's life and a beloved father to his girls. Marlene served him well as a partner, critic, editor and promoter in his quest of writing the history of Camp-X, Camp 30 and his numerous books. His historical interest in and love of Camp-X where Canada trained its spies and clandestine operators through WWII and which functioned as an intelligence base far after the chill of the Cold War fell upon us was his passion.

His achievements have been many but besides his family I think he'd agree that spearheading the Statue to Sir William Stephenson, the man Called Intrepid at Camp-X was a highlight.-

One thing is sure, when Lynn reached St. Peters Gate and was welcomed with open arms the first words out of his mouth were probably, "never mind the fuss, who killed Kennedy!" Lynn contributed much to both our local history and to our military history and we are saddened by this loss.



Your Donation is important!

LSHS is proud of the work that has been accomplished in the past 50+ years in preserving the history of Scugog Township from the founding of the Scugog Shores Village & Archives to our present day programs of digitizing our newspapers from 1851-2001.

This past year we have launched two new programs – Heritage Driving Tours and a reconstructed Scugog Heritage Gallery of our publications and

historical stories. At the same time we have continued to offer our regular Speaker Series and historical walks and talks.

To continue our ambitious community programming we need your support. Every little bit helps to keep our programs accessible and free.

Donate today through the CanadaHelps web-site www.canadahelps.org, by E-Transfer to lakescugoghistoricalsociety@gmail.com, or by cheque payable to Lake Scugog Historical Society.

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Today

Museum Flashback

Scugog Shores Historical Museum has come a long way from its early beginnings. Discussions began with the Historical Society about creating a museum during 1968, and it was officially opened in July 1970.

This picture was taken in February 1976, six years after it was opened.

As can be seen, at this time the log cabin was placed facing south, along side of the print shop. Both facilities were still to be restored.



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