



HISTORIGRAM

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of the Yarmouth County Historical Society I would like to thank Vaughn Bullerwell, past president, for his strong leadership over the last two years. Vaughn has been active in our society for quite a number of years as a board member, on various committees and he continues to serve in the running of the Mast Head Gift Shop within our museum. Over the last two years Vaughn has been a great help in preparing me for this time as I take on the President's position of our society, Thank you Vaughn.

Following the Annual Meeting of our society which took place on February 1st / 2008; Vaughn presented a slide show of activities that took place over the past year in and around our museum.

Without the commitment of the many volunteers our society would not be able to carry on the way we do, passing our history on to future generations. Thank you each and everyone for your dedication. If anyone has the desire to work on any committee please talk to us about it.

At this time I would like to welcome our new board members: Ken Dennis, Ann Winkels, Cerliana Hood and Susan Moores. We are grateful to our long-time board members as well as our new ones for the work they do in keeping this society running smoothly.

A big thank-you goes out to Cook's Dairy Farm Ltd. for sponsoring free admission to the Yarmouth County Museum for the month of February. We certainly appreciate your support.

For our non-resident members I want to thank you for your continued interest and support in this society. When traveling in this area please make a point of stopping in to visit with us. We look forward to seeing you and talking with you.

Next society meeting will take place on March 7th @ 7:30 at the museum. Darrin Smith will be showing old slides and reels of Yarmouth and area.

President
Charles R. Winship



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OUR DIRECTOR

Thank you, once again, to Cook's Dairy Farm, for sponsoring the museum for the month of February.



During last year, I thought the Tourist Season was the busiest time of the year. This January and February however have been a lot of work.

In January, I prepared, and submitted, 4 grant applications to the:

- Canadian Museums Association/Young Canada Works for 4 summer students.
- National Archival Development Program for 1 summer student.
- Town of Yarmouth for operational support.
- Municipality of the District of Yarmouth for operational support.

Nova Scotia Community College was also approached as they supplied 2 "on-the-job-training" volunteers, for one month last Spring.

This February, saw me apply, and submit, for 3 more grants to the:

Student Career Skills Development Program for 6 summer students.

Canada Summer Jobs 2008 for 2 summer students.

Municipality of the District of Argyle for operational support.

Throughout the rest of the year, I will be applying for 2 conservation grants and asking various businesses and/or organizations to sponsor free admissions to the museum, on a monthly basis.

In addition, I am quite pleased to see that the 2008 Spears & MacLeod Pharmasave calendar has included a photo of the new setup in the church, for the month of February.

Director

Derek Kowalchuk

Director's Wish List

Donations for our annual Garden Sale.

De-humidifiers.

Humidity & Temperature gauges.

BONNETS, BOWS AND FURBELOWS

Our Christmas bride has put away her beautiful gown and is now wearing a warm, cosy coat for these chilly winter days. The black wool coat, circa 1927, is calf-length with semi-fitted sleeves and a wide collar of long-haired fur in a mix of fawn and gray. Her stylish hat is the cloche style so popular in the 1920's. It is of green felt and is worn well down on the head covering the eyebrows.

Her companion is wearing pinstripe trousers and a heavy, black wool coat, circa 1950's. At his throat is a handsome cream silk scarf to keep him warm and on his head is a black felt bowler hat. Though the hat is of an earlier era, it goes quite well with the coat.

Our Costume Corner mannequins will change once more in April when Spring is in the air and our heavy winter coats will be put away for another season.

Susan Winship

Costume Department



Mast Head Gift Shop

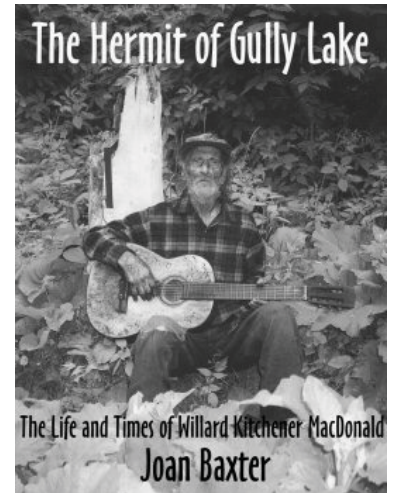


A Selection of Biographies in the gift shop ...

THE HERMIT OF GULLY LAKE [Price \$15.95]

By Joan Baxter

The Hermit of Gully Lake is a thought-provoking, intimate and respectful look at the life and times of American-born but Nova Scotia-raised Willard Kitchener MacDonald (1916-2003), better known as the Hermit of Gully Lake. For 60 years, MacDonald endured hardship and extreme isolation, living as recluse in a cave-like shelter six feet by nine feet in the deep woods wilderness of northern Nova Scotia.



ON THE ROAD WITH DUTCH MASON

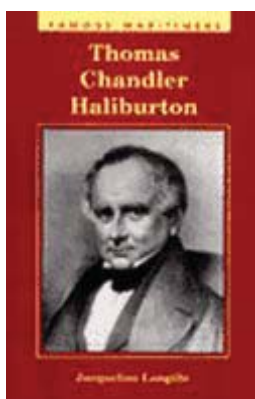
Prime Minister of the Blues [Price \$19.98]

By David Bedford & Harvey Sawler

On the Road with Dutch Mason tells the story of Canadian blues icon Dutch Mason from the point of view of the band's harmonica player, David Bedford, who conducted interviews with the legendary musician, members of his band (current and past), family, friends, and peers.

THOMAS CHANDLER HALIBURTON

by Jacqueline Langille [\$7.95]



The answer to the question of who was Sam Slick from Slickville and who wrote the first history of Nova Scotia can be found in this biography of Thomas Chandler Haliburton. A lawyer, judge, historian, writer and parliamentarian — he spent most of his life in Windsor, Nova Scotia. He created the sayings "the early bird gets the worm" and "seeing is believing".

HELEN CREIGHTON

by Hilary Sircom [\$9.95]



This book tells the story of Helen Creighton who spent most of her life making sure that the old songs, customs and folklore of the Maritimes would not be forgotten.

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HOURS OF OPERATION

Museum Hours: Archives Hours:

Winter Hours

January 2nd - May 14th, 2008

Tuesday - Saturday

2:00 - 5:00 pm

Closed

Sunday, Monday & Stat Holidays

(*our hours change after the Canadian Thanksgiving Weekend)
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APRIL HISTORIGRAM DEADLINE: FRIDAY March 7TH

Membership Report

Welcome New Member:
Murray Lewis, New York

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Membership Fees

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