

MEMBERS ONLY



August is the perfect month to enjoy the Victoria School Gardens beside the Museum! Bring along a picnic lunch or dinner and experience the peaceful gardens. We send a big thank you to The Carleton Place and District Horticultural Society for their work in planting and maintaining the flower beds.

Did you know the Town of Carleton Place owns our beautiful building? They've been working hard on this old girl lately - we are the very happy recipients of a new central air conditioning system, and, in August will see the restoration of the windows on the south side of the building. Thank you!





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WHAT'S HAPPENING?









ENJOY A 90 MINUTE GUIDED TOUR ALONG SOME OF CARLETON PLACE'S OLDEST STREETS

TOUR DATES:

JULY 14 6:30 PM SOLD OUT!

JULY 28 6:30 PM AUGUST 11 6:30 PM AUGUST 18 6:30 PM

All tours begin at the Museum, 267 Edmund Street, Carleton Place 613-253-7013

TICKETS \$20 EACH

Available at the Museum OR

by etransfer to cpbmuseum@outlook.com (please specify tour date!)











Reserve your spot to join one of our August North Side **Historical Walking Tours!**

- Thursday, August 11
- Thursday, August 18



Our Walking Tours are only \$15 for Museum Members

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ROBERT (BOB) STACEY

The Carleton Place and Beckwith Historical Society and the Heritage Museum have lost an old friend, a long-time member and volunteer. Bob Stacey was one of the earliest to join the Historical Society in the 1980's and to support its effort to establish a museum in the building formerly known as the Victoria School. He attended the school for grades 1, 2, 6 and 7!

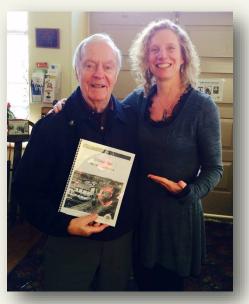
Bob supported the work of the museum in many ways. He was always willing to help as a docent in the early days, and having grown up in Carleton Place, he was able to recount many vivid tales of the life and times of the town folk. He shared with us his father's recollections of working picking up passengers from the train station destined for the Queens Hotel, and of being a long-time worker at the Bates and Innes Woolen Mill. As a member of the Carleton Place Town Singers and the Mississippi MUDDS theatre group, Bob entertained Museum supporters at many a fundraising event! Bob Stacey even won a prize as our 1,000th "follower" on facebook!

A delightful and colourful speaker, Bob was particularly keen to share his unique stories with the local younger school children and the high school students. He was especially fond of telling the story of "The British Home Children" also known as "Barnardo Boys". Bob's father John was one of the thousands of boys and girls of disadvantaged background, who were relocated to the British dominions and colonies including Canada. Most of the children sent to Canada were hosted by farm families, where they would be put to work and many of them, unfortunately, would be treated very poorly. Bob was very proud of his father, who escaped the hardships he endured at the farm he was living at by running away at the age of 14.

Bob's research on the Home Children benefited the British Home Children Advocacy & Research Association (BHCARA) and The Canadian Centre for Home Children, which opened in 1999. Bob was proud of his roots and delighted in exploring his ancestry back in England.

A great communicator has taken his last bow. Rest in Peace.





Bob (at left with Jake Gallipeau and Mark Lovell) at our Jubilee Garden Party on June 4, 2022, and receiving a prize from Curator Jennifer Irwin for being the 1,000th facebook follower in 2015.

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NEW T-SHIRT DESIGNS!!!





Henderson's Blossom Time Honey

Brothers Cecil (1903 – 1975) and Ken (1905 - 1981) Henderson began making honey on their farm on the $6^{\rm th}$ line of Beckwith in the 1920s. Starting with two hives, the business grew, and they built an apiary on the farm.

Henderson's "Blossom Time Honey" became one of the largest honey producers in Eastern Ontario. A new larger apiary was built on High Street beside Cecil's home in 1946.

Ken retired from the business in the mid-1960s. After Cecil's death the Apiary was taken over by the Kouba brothers who operated until 2003. The apiary was demolished in 2008.



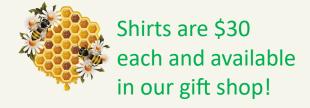


McTavish Apiary

The McTavish home was located on the 9th Line of Beckwith, and it was there, in 1881 that Alexander McTavish (1867 – 1949) captured a swarm of wild bees, resulting in the first commercial swarm of bees in eastern Ontario.

McTavish was on the executive of the Ontario Beekeeper's Association for many years in the late 1910s.

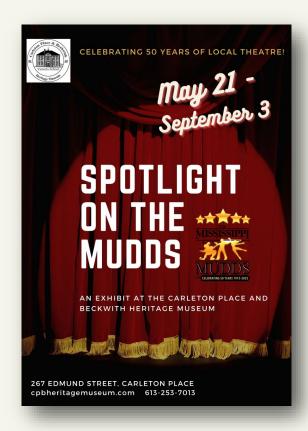
His son Fred (1911 - 2000) carried on the apiary while working at Sears in Ottawa. Honey from the McTavish Apiary was shipped in soldered two-pound cans for the food drops in Holland near the end of World War II.





SUMMER EXHIBITS





Summer Hours:

Tuesday to Saturday:

10 am - 4 pm

Sunday:

1 - 4 pm

Admission is by Donation

