



# NEWSLETTER

September 2023

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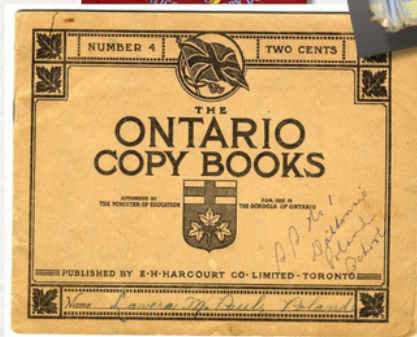
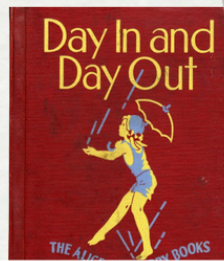
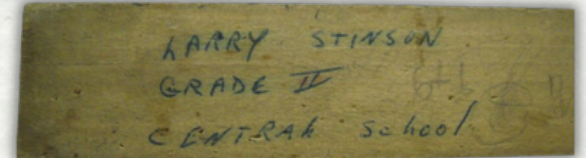
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Check our hours before dropping by in September. We are reducing our hours, but remember, you can always make an appointment to visit if that's easier.



Did you know? When the Museum was first started, it was envisioned as a "school museum", with classrooms set up from different eras. As a result of that, we have a very large collection of school textbooks.



# CARLETON PLACE AND BECKWITH HERITAGE MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

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September Hours:

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 10am - 4pm



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**Thank you!**

**What a party!**  
Thank you so much to Bob White and the White Family and friends for organizing this amazing afternoon of music and memories!

Together, you all raised \$3,000+ to support the exhibitions and programming at The Carleton Place and Beckwith Heritage Museum!

- Bob White
- Grateful We're Not Dead
- The White Family Band
- Clarence & Ed Bowes and Friends
- Matt Tierney
- Carleton Place Civitan
- McPherson's Automotive
- Thunderbird Golf Course
- Rental Village
- Doug White
- Carleton Place Arena Staff

Well wasn't that a party! THANK YOU Bob White and ALL members of the White family for organizing a great afternoon of music. Thanks to Matt Tierney, thanks to all the musicians who performed, all volunteers, all the sponsors, arena staff, and everyone who came and supported the museum. We were overwhelmed!

## Historical Fiction Writing Workshop:

Summer student Shaelyn Ryan hosted a Historical Fiction Writing Workshop at the Museum on August 22nd, 2023. Over tea and cookies, the two writers who attended enjoyed a behind the scenes tour of the museum by Jennifer Irwin, and the opportunity to look through the museum's artefacts and archives for inspiration. The small group had a great discussion on how historical fiction can be written and how it can enhance our understanding of history, as well as sharing some incredible personal and family histories. Thank you to Holly and Brenda for attending!



Interestingly, that same day we received a donation of three novels written by members of the Findlay family! We can't wait to read them.



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## Winnifred McRostie (1903 - 2000)

Miss McRostie taught three generations of children at Carleton Place schools. Known for being very strict, she put up with no nonsense, and was still tutoring children at 90! Winnie spent her summers at the family cottage at Lake Park.



Purchased by her father Peter in 1906, the cottage remained in the family until about 2000.

In August, the new owners of the cottage contacted the museum enquiring about its history. We were able to connect them with Winnie's niece who arranged to come for a visit to the Lake. Our curator Jennifer was invited to spend a wonderful afternoon touring this century cottage, and listening to old family stories. We looked through old photos, exclaimed at treasures found in the building, and enjoyed watching the sailboats rounding the point into Duff Bay.



Winnie with her daughter, granddaughters and housekeeper Maude Cole in the 1950's, and the cottage today.



This beaded match holder was found hanging on the wall of the cottage. It's dated 1906, the year the McRostie's bought the cottage. It has been donated to the Museum.

This spot at the end of the road has been known as "Lookout Point", "Hammond's Point", and "McRostie Point".



## Sale

We are now accepting donations for our November

"Junk and Disorderly" fundraising sale.

We're looking for good quality household items and collectibles.

No books please! Please call to arrange for drop off or pick up. 613-253-7013

**"Junk and Disorderly Sale"**  
A fundraiser for the Carleton Place and Beckwith Heritage Museum!  
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**SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 25  
10 - 4**

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VINTAGE AND NEW ITEMS

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