



EAST YORK INKLINGS

Newsletter of the East York Historical Society

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A MESSAGE FROM *President Pat...*

Members and Supporters of the East York Historical Society.

AGM 2017 - Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting of the East York Historical Society held on Tuesday, November 30, 2017 can be found on Page 3.

Congratulations to all who have been elected and appointed to the Executive Board to continue good service for the ongoing success of the **East York Historical Society**. Following the AGM-The East York Historical Society enjoyed a delightful and entertaining 5 Star evening with 50 members and 10 guests (60) in attendance. Thanks to the great weather 16 Celsius (61 degrees) added a perfect air for this kind of attendance.

Thanks to our Opener deaf soloist Miss Lisa Faria signed the Canadian National Anthem to an upstanding audience. Thanks to Lisa' & her guest interpreter Ms. Cathy McKibbin for this amazing one of its kind performance that wrapped up Canada 150 celebration. Followed by our main presenter Mr. Rob Prince Ph.D., a brief pre talk about the silent film era included Canadian Mary Pickford (Gladys Louise Smith) "America's Sweetheart" followed by Charlie Chaplain 1921 "The Kid". Thanks Rob, great presentation. **Rob Prince's comment on the evening** "Thank you Pat. I had a wonderful night, with a super crowd...I love presenting to a receptive audience".

WELCOME NEWLY ELECTED DIRECTOR Mr. Chris Theofiloginnakos & **APPOINTED SECRETARY** Mr. Jeffrey Brown thanks to you both for your commitment in accepting to serve in these official positions within the East York Historical Society...See page 4

TO ALL EYHS MEMBERS AND OTHER SUPPORTERS:

I will continue as your President with the same intentions and commitment to continue with the help of the East York Historical Society Board of Directors, faithful members and other supporters toward building up and moving forward with the Society's Mission and our vision for an outstanding and prosperous Society in 2018. A HOME FOR EYHS ARCHIVES IS NEEDED. Again I repeat the East York Historical Society has a bright and prosperous future a head and I am confident this can be achieved with the ongoing help and support from everyone. A Permanent HOME FOR EYHS ARCHIVES IS NEEDED now to be established in East York.



AGNES MACPHAIL COMMUNITY AWARDS CEREMONY is scheduled for **March 24, 2018**. It will take place in the **True Davidson Council Chambers at the East York Civic Centre, 850 Coxwell Avenue.**

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Please see our EYHS Treasurer Mr. Val Dodge during your attendance at the January 30, 2018 meeting regarding renewals of membership payments or mail to the address on back cover page of this newsletter. Your membership is vital to help with the ongoing functions of the the East York Historical Society. Thank you.

Members are reminded to please wear your name tags so we can better acquaint ourselves with each other. Our tags can be found in alphabetical order on the tag table.

JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING>>>

Tuesday, January 30, 2018
Refreshments at 7:00pm ~ Meeting Starts at 7:30pm
John S. Ridout Auditorium at the S. Walter Stewart Library
170 Memorial Park Avenue

Our Meetings are Co-sponsored By



Special Guest Presenter: Stanley E. Grizzle –
son of the late Judge Stanley G. Grizzle – Nov 18, 1918 – Nov 12, 2016)
Topic: The Grizzle Family of East York
With an opening from SISTEMA Toronto in support of Black History Month

Life Member Mr. John Michailidis has resigned as secretary of the East York Historical Society. Thanks John for your many years of great service to the Society. Please turn to page 5.

PRESIDENT SPOTLIGHT for the month of January 2018 is the late Judge Stanley G. Grizzle Canadian & Former East Yorker (Chisholm Ave.) November 18, 1918 - November 12, 2016...pg. 2

CONGRATULATIONS to our four recipients of the EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY's Certificate of Appreciation Award the first Award in its history to: Former EYHS President Mr. John Stirling Ridout, Honourable Alan Redway, Miss Joyce Crook and Ms. Kathleen (Kay) Horiszny>see article from East York Chronicle...page 7

WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW EYHS MEMBERS...names on 3

JOIN THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY TUESDAY EVENING GENERAL MEETING, on JANUARY 30, 2018 in Celebration of Black History for

another great evening filled with historical presentations: see page 6. Our Opening String Performance will be from SISTEMA TORONTO CHILDREN on stage. Our Main Presenters will be the **son and grand daughter** of the late Judge Stanley G. Grizzle: **Mr. Stanley E. Grizzle and Miss Mosadi Brown-Topic: The Grizzle Family of East York**

EYHS 2 pm AFTERNOON MEETING is still in full swing see dates under **SAVES THESE DATES in this Newsletter**. Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2 pm presenter will be Douglas Gibson "Across Canada By Story" Doug will be introduced by our VP Ron Brown.

Please keep warm and I look forward to see you on these dates.

Sincerely,

Pancheta (Pat) Barnett
President of the East York Historical Society
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BE PART OF THE FIRST PARLIAMENT EVENT

We're writing to share exciting news about the First Parliament project with your organization, and to ask for your help in spreading the word about our upcoming events this spring.

Located in the heart of the former Town of York at Front and Parliament Streets, the First Parliament site and the area around it are historically significant, representing the industrial and commercial forces that helped shape the city. The First Parliament project is an effort from the City of Toronto to examine how the site can best be developed in order to tell important stories from its history and serve related community purposes.

The First Parliament public lecture will take place on Tuesday, February 6 at the Enoch Turner Schoolhouse from 6:30pm-8:00pm (doors open at 6:00pm). This event is free and open to the public. [Register online](#)
More information about the project can be found at <http://firstparliament.ca>

NOMINATIONS FOR THE EAST YORK HALL OF FAME HAVE BEEN EXTENDED TO JANUARY 31, 2018.

To nominate that special EAST YORKER, please fill out our nomination form online at www.bestofeastyork.com or pickup a form at the S. Walter Stewart Library.



JOIN THE TORONTO FIELD NATURALISTS ON FEBRUARY 3rd

Toronto Field Naturalists are holding a nature images event at the S. Walter Stewart Library at 1:30 pm on Saturday, Feb. 3. Members will be projecting digital photos of nature in Ontario in the last year. Refreshments will be served. EYHS members are welcome to attend this event.



WE RECYCLE>>>

The EYHS recycle all its EY Inklings Newsletters of the EYHS by returning to the meetings or passing on to neighbours and friends



President Pat's Spotlight

Canadian, Former East Yorker & Judge Stanley G. Grizzle



Stanley G. Grizzle was an influential black leader within the Canadian labour movement, and a dynamic force in the civil rights community. He held many prominent roles including a Canadian citizenship judge, soldier, political candidate, and activist.

community newspaper and penned the book "My Name's Not George: The Story of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters in Canada".

In 1959 Mr. Grizzle and Jack White became the first African-Canadians to run in an Ontario election. In the early 1960s Mr. Grizzle worked as an Officer with the Ontario Labour Relations Board and became the first African-Canadian member of a trade union. In 1978, he was appointed a Citizenship Judge.

Stanley G. Grizzle was born on November 18, 1918 in Toronto (St. Joseph's Hospital) to Jamaican immigrant parents Adelaide nee Sinclair and Theodore Grizzle at the end of World War 1 in 1918, Stanley G. Grizzle became a railway porter at 22 to help support his family. He founded the Railway Porter's Trade Union Council and served as an officer of the Toronto CPR Division of the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters (BSCP). Mr. Grizzle was a delegate to the Toronto Labour Council, a member of the Toronto Labour Committee for Human Rights, an associate editor and columnist for *Contrast*, a black



Mr. Grizzle has also received the Order of Ontario, Order of Canada and the Order of Distinction from Jamaica for his valuable contributions to Canadian society. Mr. Grizzle passed away peacefully on November 12, 2016 at the Toronto East General Hospital in

his 98th year, leaving behind 6 children, 11 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren.



Lynn Ridout daughter of Former EYHS President John S. Ridout on Nov. 28, 2018-AGM accept her father's Certificate of Appreciation.



EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY WELCOMES SISTEMA TORONTO AT OUR MEETING ON JANUARY 30th

Opening for the East York Historical Society tonight are the children on strings from SISTEMA TORONTO in Celebration of Black History



PROFESSOR PETER RUSSELL ON CANADA'S ODYSSEY

On Friday, January 19th in Cameron Hall at Yorkminster Park Church (Yonge and St. Clair), Peter Russell, Professor Emeritus in the Department of Political Science at the University of Toronto, delivered a lecture based on his 2017 book, *Canada's Odyssey: A Country Based on Incomplete Conquests*. This was the first event for 2018 in the Yorkminster Park Speakers Series.

Professor Russell is one of Canada's leading constitutional scholars and an authority on indigenous land title and related issues. *Canada's Odyssey* is a fascinating and critically acclaimed book on the evolving relationship between what he calls "Canada's three foundational pillars – Aboriginal Canada, English-speaking Canada and French Canada."

Other upcoming events in the Yorkminster Park Speakers Series:

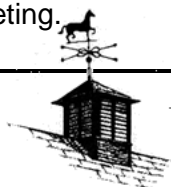
- On **Friday, February 23rd at 7:00 p.m.** Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon, Chair of the City of Toronto's Parks and Environment Committee will deliver a lecture entitled: "Civics 101: Toronto Edition" which will be citizens' guide to civic engagement in the City of Toronto with a focus on the issues related to parks, recreation and forestry.

- On **Friday, May 25th at 7:00 p.m.** Professor Jennifer Bonnell, of the Faculty of History at York University, will deliver a lecture entitled: "Reclaiming the Don: An Environmental History of Toronto's Don River Valley" based on her recent book of the same name. The Weston Historical Society are pleased to present *Celebrating What Was and Still Is (in Weston)*

With Guest Speakers: Mary Louise Ashbourne & Cheri Hurst

Wednesday February 7, 2018 at 7:30 pm
At Village of Humber Heights Retirement Home
2245 Lawrence Avenue West

Please join us as our speakers guide us on a journey into Weston's past. All are welcome! Refreshments will be served after the meeting.



**WESTON
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

Preserving our heritage for future generations



Josh Matlow

City Councillor Ward 22, St. Paul's

Councillor Josh Matlow invites you to a
COMMUNITY MEETING
to discuss creative ways to support the future of

Save the Regent Theatre!

Midtown Toronto's historic Regent Theatre is currently for sale. Residents, industry leaders, members of the arts community and city staff are invited to work together to help find innovative and realistic paths to preserve the theatre's purpose and built form.

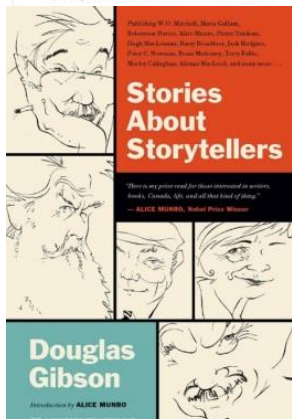
WHEN: Monday, January 22nd at 7pm
WHERE: Greenwood College, 443 Mount Pleasant, Room 174

We hope that you can join us for this important conversation!

"Stories an engaging mix of the whole a social type and a very few serious." —THE SCOTCH WHISKY

Douglas Gibson Across Canada by Story

A Coast-to-Coast
Literary Adventure



INTRODUCING OUR GUEST SPEAKER ON FEBRUARY 21st

Our afternoon session on February 21 will feature Canadian author, publisher and Order of Canada recipient Douglas Gibson.

His highly entertaining presentation is called Across Canada by Story where you will learn the inside scoop on Canada's most famous authors.

And, yes, he will have his popular books available for sale.

SAVE THESE DATES: THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY IS PLANNING AHEAD. REFRESHMENTS ARE ALWAYS SERVED

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 @ 2 pm
Presenter: Douglas Gibson
Topic: "Across Canada By Story"

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 @ 7PM
Presenter: Richard Fiennes Clinton
Topic: TBA

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 @ 2 pm
Speaker: Ulana Baluk
Topic: The Renewed Todmorden

Tuesday, May 29, 2018 @ 7PM
Presenter: Paul Farrelly, Chair, Toronto-East
York Community Preservation Panel
Topic: The Frank O'Connor House

Tuesday, September 25, 2018 @ 7PM
Presenter: Artist Phil Cote MFA – Artist of
"The Gathering of the Clans, 2015" See
table outdoors at Todmorden Mills)
Topic: TBA

Wednesday, October 24, 2018 @ 2PM
Presenter: Sandra MacNamara
Topic: TBA

Tuesday, November 27, 2018 - AGM
Speaker: Ron Brown
Topic: East York

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Richard Humphrey
Diane Dyson
David Phillips
Tim McDonald
Eric Davies
June Davidson & Family
Jim Hartley

COSBURN ARTS CENTRE *presents*

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FEBRUARY 10, 2018

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with your friends!

Featuring the music of

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7-11 pm
Doors open
at 6:30

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\$20

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The Danforth's Popular Newmarket Racetrack

By Melanie Melanich'

There was no need to go downtown to the Rogers Centre or out to the Woodbine track in the mid-19th century. It was on the Danforth where the action was.

The Newmarket Racetrack, run by Charlie and Jane Gates from 1854 to 1876 on the north side of the Danforth east of Woodbine is a forgotten but important part of the Danforth's history. This is where the Queen's Plate was held in 1868 attracting 12,000 people. (What venue can draw 12,000 today on the Danforth?) Several streets-- Gates, Newmarket, Gatwick, Epsom, Doncaster, Goodwood-- are named after the racetrack. Here was a major phase of our history when the horse, not the car was king. (manure yes, carbon emissions no). Distances were measured by the pace of one's horse. This was the time of horse breeding, horse racing, British imperial ties to sporting events, recreation and social congregating on the Danforth in the mid-19th century.

Going back a decade before the Queen's Plate race, it was on a Monday in mid-March 1851 at John Bell's Tavern on the northwest corner of Kennedy and St. Clair that a meeting was held by Scarborough farmers and businessmen along with Henry John Boulton, MPP, who owned land along the Danforth. The meeting was for the purpose of creating financing for the planking of a road from the "River Don in the Township of York to the Old Danforth Road in Scarboro intersecting the Markham Road". The fast paced growth of the city and hinterlands and the beginning of reciprocity with the U.S. brought in more money and interest in investment. Planking began that spring with the western section of the road.

Twenty-eight year old Charlie Gates caught wind of this and brought his wife Jane, 25 and three children, Ann, 6, Eliza 4 and a 1 year old infant to the [Danforth, Lot 4](#), Concession 2 from the Bay, (between the current Oak Park and Chisholm) where he built a large one story frame inn in 1851.

(later expanded to a large two story building) His neighbour a half mile to the east was Clem Dawes who ran a tavern at Danforth and Dawes, and the village of Todmorden was 3 miles to the west.

The road wasn't maintained because of the clergy lands along it and the horizontal layout of the lots didn't require owners to maintain the sides of the lots only the frontage. The planks eventually rotted and became more treacherous; the coming of the Grand Trunk Railway in 1856 reduced some of the need for this route and the depression of 1857-63 dampened growth.

Nevertheless Charlie and Jane took the plunge and had a racetrack going in the 1854 that drew the horse fans from far and wide. It was a popular hangout and a sensation at the time.

In 1859 Queen Victoria created an annual prize of 50 guineas for the Queen's Plate. The Toronto Turf Club, run by the English officers and local militia, set the rules. Horses which had won a steeplechase or a hurdle race were eligible. The first Queen's Plate was at the Carlton Track at West Toronto Junction.

The 1868 Queen's Plate event brought in a remarkable crowd of 12,000 people from surrounding villages using any form of horseflesh to get them there. All horsedrawn vehicles were in use and full and the York railway stop was put to good use. Entertainment was by the band of the Twenty-ninth Regiment.

The field for this contest contained fifteen horses, the largest yet. Five-year old bay mare Nettie, owned and bred by James and John White of Halton County was the winner. Nettie was the first Plate winner mare to later produce a future champion (Fanny Wiser 1882). Her sire and dame were both foaled in Upper Canada making Nettie a true Canadian bred mare.

Charlie also raced horses in Whitby where he was the owner of the winner in 1870. After Charlie's death in the 1872 Jane took over and ran the inn and the racetrack. This was a major achievement along the Danforth attributable to Charlie and Jane Gates. In 1876 the Plate moved to the Woodbine Park track at Ashbridges Bay on Joseph Duggan's property.

GET YOUR VERY OWN EAST YORK FLAG

The East York Historical Society has them for sale.

To purchase your flag(s), Call Margaret McRae @ [416-429-7821](tel:416-429-7821)



EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD NEWS

ANNOUNCING OUR NEW SECRETARY JEFFREY BROWN

Jeff is a lifelong resident of East York who enjoys giving back to the community. He worked in banking for over 30 years. These days, he has an interest in following city history and hearing stories from “the good old days.” His other interests include writing memoirs and reading mystery novels.



ANNOUNCING OUR NEW DIRECTOR Chris Theofilogiannakos

Chris Theofilogiannakos is a long time East York residence and passionate historian, researcher and writer whose professional interest include Classical, Byzantine and Modern Greek history, the Ottoman Empire, Islamic art, the history of the Mediterranean Sea, British Colonial history and Canadian history. Chris has tutored and had the opportunity to lecture at the University of California, San Diego. Chris has also given lectures, talks and seminars on a range of historical topics to a wide variety of audiences, both academic and the general public. Chris completed his undergraduate studies at York University and his graduate work at the University of California San Diego. Chris is excited to be part of the East York Historical Society and looks forward to helping the society grow.



Minutes of the 37th Annual General Meeting of the East York Historical Society Tuesday, November 28, 2017 at 7:30 pm

Members in attendance 50 members and 10 guests in attendance

Minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting: Moved by Margaret McRae seconded by Justin Van Dette That the Minutes of the 2016 Annual Meeting as published in the January 2017 East York Inklings be accepted. Vote Carried.

Annual Report: Moved by Margaret McRae Seconded by Irene Derzay That the Annual Report distributed in the November 2017 newsletter be accepted. Vote Carried.

Treasurer's Annual Report: Moved by Val Dodge Seconded by Ron Chamberlain that the Treasurer's Annual Report as published in the November newsletter be accepted. Vote Carried.

Financial Reviewer's Report: Moved by Ron Chamberlain.. Seconded by Margaret McRae That the Financial Reviewer's report be accepted. Vote

Lorna Krawchuk has agreed to be our financial reviewer for the fiscal year 2017 – 2018. Moved by Bruce Horner Seconded by Paula Davies That Lorna Krawchuk be appointed as Financial Reviewer for the fiscal year 2017 to 2018. Vote Carried.

Election of Board of Directors

Paula Davies took the chair to conduct the Election of the Board of Directors. It was announced that the positions of Treasurer and Secretary are appointed by the Board. Val Dodge will continue as Treasurer and we plan to appoint Jeffrey Brown as our Secretary. Past President is Margaret McRae.

Paula announced that the following slate is recommended by the board of directors:

President – Pat Barnett	Vice President – Ron Brown
Directors at Large:	
Ron Chamberlain	Christopher Salmond
Justin Van Dette	

Jeffrey Brown was also appointed to the Board.

There is one vacancy. She asked if there are any other nominations? Name of nominee Chris Theofilogiannakos and nominator Ron Brown. He indicated he is willing to stand. There were no other nominations. Motion to close nominations and to elect the persons named above. Mover Justin Van Dette Seconder Margaret McRae Vote Carried.

The proposed executive was elected. The AGM was adjourned and we returned to the regular meeting.

Historical Society honours four volunteers for years of service

AS APPEARED IN THE EAST YORK CHRONICLE
DECEMBER 2017

Kay Horiszny & Joyce Crook receive Certificates of Appreciation from EYHS president Pat Barnett at East York Historical Society Annual General Meeting Nov. 28. - GARY W-P

The East York Historical Society on November 28 for the first time handed out certificates of appreciation to four long-serving volunteer members during its annual general meeting at the S. Walter Stewart Library.

The late **John Stirling Ridout**, who served as president of the EYHS from its inception in 1980 until his death in 2003, life member and former vice-president **Alan Redway**, and life members **Joyce Crook** and **Kay Horiszny** were awarded the certificates, presented by society president **Pancheta (Pat) Barnett** to two of the recipients attending the meeting following elections for the new board. (Mr. Redway was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict.)

Ms. Barnett told *East York Chronicle* that EYHS decided to recognize the four members for being “faithful in their many years of dedicated service to the EYHS, always willing to help when/where needed” as well as their regular attendance at meetings and being “respectful to all around them in their daily lives and that of the society.”

In endorsing the outgoing board’s recommended slate of candidates for the new board, the meeting re-elected Barnett as president for her



sixth year as well as naming **Ron Brown** vice-president, **Ron Chamberlain**, **Justin Van Dette**, **Christopher Salmond** and **Chris Theoflogiannakos** as directors at large and past-president **Margaret MacRae**, while **Val Dodge** was appointed secretary-treasurer by the board.

The meeting also heard a presentation by writer/researcher **Rob Prince**, Ph D. of the **University of Toronto** on the silent film era, in which Toronto-born **Mary Pickford (Gladys Louise Smith)** rose to stardom, becoming known as “America’s Sweetheart.”

The famed actress had an East York connection when, in 1943, she used the proceeds of the sale of her downtown family home to build a bungalow on Glenwood Crescent (the first house built in what is now known as Woodbine Gardens) that was raffled off for \$250,000 to benefit war charities.

The EYHS, a non-profit corporation affiliated with the **Ontario Historical Society**, holds its next meeting on January 30 at S. Walter Stewart Library. For more information about the society visit www.eastyork.org or email eyhs@eastyork.org.

East York Historical Society 2018 Start of Outreach Events

January 14	Welcome East York (New Year's Levee) @ EYCC 1 pm - 3pm
February 15	- Agnes Macphail Speaking Contest (Grades 6, 7 & 8) – 7pm
March 24	Agnes Macphail Community Service Award (East York) – 7pm
May 26 & 27	Doors Open Toronto @ Todmorden Mills – 10am to 5pm
July 1	- Canada Day Parade & Event @ Stan Wadlow Park...EYHS Archive Table – meet at Dieppe Park 9am
September 23	Todmorden Annual Harvest Festival – 12pm to 4pm

JOHN MICHAILIDIS REMEMBERS

John is a long time East Yorker and member of the East York Historical Society. Searching for a way to get involved in local history he remembers seeing a hand drawn poster at S. Walter Stewart Library promoting the Society's meeting. He doesn't recall the guest speaker, but he remembers the enthusiasm and thoughtfulness of the audience, especially John Ridout the Society's president at the time. The next day he telephoned John to thank him for the informative evening. Within half an hour John Ridout was at my door with a bunch of Society newsletter, John recalls. John was hooked; he joined the Society

After a few years of attending evening meetings, John got more involved with the work of the Society, first handing out posters to local business to promote the Society's upcoming meetings and then putting together the Society newsletter.

Chatting with seasoned members of the Society like Gord Hazlett and Joyce Crook, John had the idea of writing down their East York stories. Vignettes with charming appeal about what makes East York a proud and sturdy community. Sometimes it's the little happenings that are the most poignant, like the planting of a Peace Rose at the end of the second world war or the putting out of a bucket of water for the milkman's horse to drink and leave behind some much needed and free manure for your backyard garden. He called the vignettes East York Tidbits.

When first asked to sit on the Society's Board he was hesitant as he is not the most public person, but accepted the opportunity. He became the Society's secretary about 4 years ago. Although not quite yet in his golden years he has decided devote more time to other writing pursuits and his health. As you age things must fall off your work bench or it may collapse. He still plans to attend our evening meetings and write about East York's rich history when time permits.

Thanks for your many years of dedicated service to the EYHS Board of Director/Secretary. John, your intelligence will be missed.

MANY THANKS TO MS. LISA FARIA FROM NOVEMBER 28th

Deaf Soloist LISA FARIA signed the Canadian National Anthem which wraps up Canada 150:

Lisa Faria was born hard of hearing. She has been teaching American Sign Language for the past fifteen years. Currently employed full time as the Coordinator of Sign Language Services at the Bob Rumball Canadian Centre Excellence for the Deaf for the past ten years and the facilitator for the ASL Emergency workshop at Humber College. In 2013, She was the first person to sign the Canadian National Anthem for the Toronto Maple Leafs and Toronto Raptors. Lisa also signed O'Canada in ASL accompanied by the Toronto Symphony Orchestra for Canada's 150th birthday. In 2014, Lisa interpreted the voice on the captioned video about the Human Rights from people telling their stories for exhibits & programs with video description in ASL for the Canadian Museum for Human Rights. Teaching and acting is her passion. She enjoys introducing my students to ASL and Deaf culture."



FOR OUR UPCOMING JANUARY 30th MEETING

Our presenters for the East York Historical Society on the evening of Tuesday, January 30, 2018 "In Celebration of Black History" are the son & granddaughter of the late and former East Yorker Judge Stanley G. Grizzle (Nov.18, 1918-Nov.12, 2016).

Speaker from right to left is son **STAN. E. GRIZZLE** Speaker in middle granddaughter **MOSADI BROWN** Stan E. Grizzle resides in Strathroy, Ontario, Mosadi Brown and Pam Grizzle resides in Toronto, Ontario Pam Grizzle is the mother of Mosadi Brown and the sister of Stan. E. Grizzle. A beautiful family indeed. **Mosadi** and her uncle **Stan. E. Grizzle** 's Topic will be on "The Grizzle Family in East York"



EAST YORK MEALS On WHEELS @ Stan Wadlow Park Community Centre Event

The following speakers will be presenting:

January 9
Dr. Mike Dolbey
Topic: "Woodbine Gardens"
Lunch @ **12:00 Noon** followed by
talks @ **1:00 pm**

February 13 -
Margaret
McRae Topic: "Todmorden
Village and the EYHS

March 13 -
Hon. Alan Redway Topic: "His
new Book on the History of East
York. 1924-1998".

Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art (Now Showing Until April 2018 @ The ROM) Presented by TD Bank Group
Friday, January 26, 2018...Member Preview

What is the Black Canadian presence and history in our country? Explore these ideas, and the issues of belonging in Here We Are Here: Black Canadian Contemporary Art presented by TD Bank Group, through the contemporary works of nine African Canadian artists. Challenge yourself to think differently about the deep-rooted histories and enduring presence



ABOUT THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The East York Historical Society was formed in 1980 and incorporated in 1981 as a non-profit corporation affiliated with the Ontario Historical Society to bring together people interested in the diverse heritage of East York, to research, retain, preserve and present historical data pertaining to the region.

Meetings of the East York Historical Society are generally held on the last Tuesday of January, March, May, September and November at the S. Walter Stewart Library (northwest corner of Memorial Park and Durant Avenues) at 7:00pm and include an illustrated presentation on a subject of historical interest. Our meetings are co-sponsored by the Toronto Public Library.

INTERESTED IN THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY, CONTACT US:

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HELP PRESERVE THE HISTORY OF EAST YORK BY BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Help strengthen the History of East York by becoming a member of the East York Historical Society. Provide us with your ideas and know more about the great community that we live in. Your membership helps us to keep you informed and organize events that educate the residents of East York.

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Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone No. _____ E-Mail: _____

New members and guests are always welcome. The fees for 2018 are:

Single - \$15 Family - \$20 Student - \$7 Organization - \$50

Bring cash to our next meeting or mail us a cheque payable to the "East York Historical Society" to:
East York Historical Society, 107 Cambridge Avenue, Toronto, ON, M4K 2L7

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