



East York Inklings

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Newsletter of East York Historical Society
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East York Historical Society President Pat's Special Feature: **Hockey Great HERB HENRY CARNEGIE...Featured Story contd. on page 2**

Carnegie also twice appeared in Spiderman comic books, championing Spidey's anti-drug crusade



Herb Carnegie with the Sherbrooke Rand 1945-46 Photo courtesy of Bernice Carnegie

Join us for this upcoming **General Meeting**

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

Refreshments at 7pm - Meeting starts at 7:30pm

John S. Ridout Auditorium at the S. Walter Stewart Library

170 Memorial Park Ave and Durant Ave

EYHS Celebrating Black History Canada

Guest Speaker: Ms. Bernice Carnegie

Topic: The Herb Carnegie Story: A Daughter's Reflections on his Inspirational Journey

Openers: Lucie Nathan & Rick Pearson -Poet Laureate: George Elliott Clarke

EYHS Meetings Co-Sponsored by





BREAKING THROUGH BARRIERS: Herbert Henry Carnegie, CM, O.Ont, O.M.C (November 8, 1919 - March 9, 2012)

This presentation will share the inspirational story of Herbert H. Carnegie, a real life Black Canadian Hero. Learn how he applied valuable lessons from his hockey career to become a success in his personal and business life.

Herb Carnegie's parents emigrated from Jamaica to Canada in 1912 and Herb was the fifth of seven children born in downtown Toronto in 1919. He honed his hockey skills on the open ponds of North York, eventually to make it his career of choice in his late teens in Canada's north lands.

He went on to having a distinguished hockey career and made hockey history by being a part of the only Black line in semi professional hockey with his brother Ossie Carnegie and Manny McIntyre. He was chosen MVP three consecutive years in the French Senior Leagues and had hoped to become the 'Jackie Robinson' of hockey. As one journalist wrote, "he was born too soon" and Willie O'Ree would take that honour four years after Herb's career ended.

Carnegie established the first registered hockey school in Canada in 1955 that taught hockey skills in addition to emphasizing character development rather than winning at all costs. The school ran for 10 years and his credo of Future ACES (Future – always striving; ACES – to become the best we can be) became the code of conduct that fostered more responsible, respectful, confident and caring behaviour on and off the ice.

For the past four decades Carnegie's Future ACES Philosophy and its initiatives have become an educational tool embraced by hundreds of schools throughout Ontario and beyond, supporting bullying prevention and safe school environments. Dr. Carnegie is clearly a role model, having being inducted into 13 halls of fame; receiving 8 medals for community service; and having numerous awards and a school and an arena named in his honour.

Submitted by Bernice Carnegie.



Herb becomes member of
The Order of Canada
Adrienne Clarkson
Governor General of Canada
Rideau Hall, Ottawa,
May 14, 2004

FUTURE ACES

- A. I will develop a positive Attitude toward all people and toward my work.
I will develop my talents and Ability in order that I may be helpful to society.
I will take Action with integrity.
I will take initiative to Achieve my goals with honest and sincere effort.
- C. I will Co-operate with and respect others by seeking understanding with all people, regardless of race, gender or beliefs.
I will demonstrate Courage, standing up for what is right and speaking out against what is wrong.
I will display Confidence in all my actions without being arrogant.
- E.I will show Empathy and consideration by advancing the values that are important to me and others.
I will set a good Example to others, taking responsibility for my actions.
I will acquire the best Education within my capability.
- S.I will be of Service to others.
I will practice good Sportsmanship in all my decisions, demonstrating fair play to all.

Author, Herbert H. Carnegie, C.M., O.Ont., O.M.C., LL.D (Hon)

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A Message from President Pat



Greetings and best wishes for the year 2020 to every member and visitors (loyal friends & supporters of this great Society). It is my hope that this message of mine will find everyone in good health and peace of mind and that your holiday with loved ones was well-cherished

Once again, I must say it gives me honour and great joy on behalf of the Board to give thanks to everyone including other readers for your ongoing support to the Society. You are very important to the Society's ongoing success and prosperity. Thank you!!! The Board is committed to continuous service.

East York Historical Society is looking forward to its 40th year (1980-2020). A Day Bus Trip is in the planning to celebrate. Further details will be announced to our members.

Warm Welcome to our new EYHS members...names on page 7.

All East York Historical Society members are reminded to renew their membership at our upcoming evening General Meeting scheduled on 28th January, 2020. You may send your payments to EYHS Treasurer at the address listed at the back of this Newsletter. Donations and new memberships are also welcome. Thank you.

East York Historical Society is still looking for a place to exhibit and store our Historical Archives. President Pat's Special feature for January 2020 is the **Great Herb Carnegie** pages 2 and...

Writers for this issue of EY Inklings are Hon. Alan Redway; Joanne Doucette; Jim Hartley; President Pat Barnett; Martin Rainbow; Rob Leverty. East York Historical Society, in celebration of Black History, we welcome openers, Musical Duet: Lucie Nathan & Rick Pearson; Poet Laureate George Elliott Clarke and Main Presenter: Bernice Carnegie...see further information throughout this newsletter.

EYHS will have a moment of silence in memory of the late Marilyn Lastman, Diane Ford, the 176 lives lost on Ukraine International Airlines Flight PS752 and our members who are no longer with us.

Please do wear your name cards during the meetings so we can better be acquainted with you by name. We continue to recycle the EY Inklings Newsletter East York Historical Society by passing them onto our friends or returning them to the meetings.

A new permanent secretary for the Society is needed... PTO...page 8.

Refreshment Committee: Thanks to all who helped and donated during November 2019 AGM page 8.

We look forward to seeing all of our EYHS members and their guests and visitors in attendance in celebration of Black History Canada. The evening promises great eats and great presenters. All are welcome! Thanks for listening

Sincerely & Best Wishes for a Happy Family and Valentine's Days in February 2020.

Pancheta (Pat) Barnett

P. Barnett



President East York Historical Society

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www.eastork.org/eyhs.html**

BLACK HISTORY MONTH FEATURE: BLACK HISTORY IN EAST YORK

By: Honourable Alan Redway

As we approach Black History Month, I find myself thinking about how much African Canadians and Caribbean Canadians both here in East York and elsewhere in Canada have had a significant influence on my own life.

One of the first issues I faced when elected as an East York Alderman involved a crumbling retaining wall abutting the sidewalk at 55 Yardley Avenue at the corner of Barron Avenue, the home of a Black Canadian widow, Marjorie Lewsey and her two young daughters, Jackie and Janice. Marjorie Lewsey claimed that wall was on Borough property and should be repaired by the Municipality. The East York Works Commissioner thought otherwise. He said it was Mrs. Lewsey's problem besides which and more importantly, it would cost the Borough an enormous amount to repair. Stan Wadlow then one of her Ward Aldermen and I took the matter to Council on Mrs. Lewsey's behalf. In the result the Borough repaired the wall at a fraction of the cost estimated by the Commissioner. A short time ago after I received a call from Jackie Lewsey who still lives in the home, Marjorie having passed away, after referring her to then Councillor Janet Davis, the city of Toronto repaired the wall that was crumbling again 40 years later.

Marjorie Lewsey and I became good friends after that. She introduced me to other East York Black Canadians including the family of Phyllis and Nelson Martin Sr. their two daughters and their son Nelson Martin Jr. who lied in their home on Bonnie Brae. Nelson Jr. starred as a football player at EYCI and then went on to be named the 1981 Grey Cup MVP for the BC Lions. I still hear from Nelson Jr.'s sister Rhonda who updates me on all the family news.

Marjorie Lewsey was a Black Canadian community activist. She introduced me to many of the other Black activists including: Al Hamilton the publisher of Contrast, Denham Jolly, honoured just this year by the naming of a street for him "JOLLY WAY" and Harry Gairey among many others. Years later in Ottawa I had the privilege of hosting Harry Gairey in the Parliamentary Dining Room after his induction by the Governor General as a Member of the Order of Canada. Marg Lewsey herself was appointed to the Canadian Human Rights Commission on my



Bromley Armstrong



Nelson Martin

recommendation. Later she was honoured with East York's Agnes Macphail Award.

When Louise and I were married we lived in the Thorncliffe apartments where we met a well-known Black Canadian activist Bromley Armstrong and his wife Marlene. Bromley was a leader in the civil rights movement and played an important role in that regard in both in Ontario and in Canada. For a time he had an insurance office and published his newspaper "The Islander" from 200 O'Connor Drive. After serving as a member of the Ontario Human Rights Commission and later as a member of the Ontario Labour Relations Board he was made a member of both the Order of Canada and the Order of Ontario. Shortly after I was elected Mayor of East York, while riding a bus together, it was Bromley who suggested I create the first municipal Multicultural Advisory Committee in Canada. I took his advice. One of the first persons appointed to it was Marjorie Lewsey. Bromley passed away earlier this year but I am still in touch with Marlene.

When I ran federally for a seat in the House of Commons, a number of Black Canadians knocked on doors for me including former North York and Metro Councillor Bev Salmon, her husband Dr. Doug Salmon, Al Mercury, the Chair of the North York Race Relations Committee, Anthony West originally from the USA, Nigerian Canadian Cecil Cooray and Jamaican Canadian Tyrone Bobb to name but a few.

In Ottawa I connected with Gene Trotman QC, a Trinidad Canadian lawyer with the Federal Justice Department who had financed his way through law school working summers on the railway as a CPR porter. One of the only jobs a great many Black Canadians could get in those days. We became great friends.

Gene, his wife Gerri, Louise, our daughters Kim, Andrea and I spent one parliamentary Easter break together visiting Gene's family in Trinidad and Tobago. Through Gene I met and did my best to help a great many Black Canadian federal Civil Servants who had been denied promotion because of their colour. So I was very pleased to be part of the Mulroney government when we enacted the first Employment Equity law in Canada. That law was not popular with many Canadians at the time. Five years later I chaired the first Review Committee the Employment Equity Act. That legislation is still unpopular with many Canadians.

While serving as a MP I received a copy of The Black Pages (the Black business community equivalent to the Yellow Pages) at my Constituency Office on O'Connor Drive. I was startled to see its publisher's name was Millicent Redway. I contacted Millicent and discovered to my surprise that there were a great many Redways in Canada and the USA all originally from St. Anne's Parish, Jamaica. A few months later I entertained a family of Ottawa Jamaican Canadian Redways in the Parliamentary Dining Room while their little kids ran around the Room having a great time, attracting the curiosity of the MPs and Senators dining there that day. The Parliamentary Dining Room had never seen anything like it before.

As Minister of State (Housing) I employed two Black Canadians on my staff. Bill Stewart originally a police officer in Kingston, Jamaica. His nephew was Patrick Ewing, a star professional basketball player at the time with the NBA New York Nicks. Bill would tell me his nephew made millions but never gave him a dime. Bill passed away this year but my other Ministerial staff member and good friend Barbados Canadian Sylvan Williams still calls me every month. Sylvan, his wife Marcia, Louise and I have lunch together when we are in Ottawa.

While still a Member of Parliament I was introduced to an Eritrean Canadian Debessai Ghermatzion, who recruited me to monitor the vote taking place at Danforth Tech for separation of Eritrea from Ethiopia in order to create Eritrea as a new independent and sovereign nation after being a part of Ethiopia for many

years. Every Canadian of Eritrean origin had a vote in that Referendum which passed unanimously in the Danforth Tech poll at least. Debessai and I became good friends after that. We still get together for coffee regularly so that he can update me on the progress of Eritrea.

After my defeat in 1993, back practicing law again my firm employed two Black Legal Assistants, one an American who eventually left to return to the States. The other one Teresa Joudrey was with me until I retired from the practice in 2010. Teresa came from Dartmouth Nova Scotia. Her father was the descendent of a free American Black who came to Canada after the 1776 American Revolution as United Empire Loyalists while her mother was a First Nations Mi'kmaq (MicMac). Teresa and her family were all Jehovah Witnesses. I have great fun when the Witnesses, most of them Black from their Hall on Donlands Avenue at the corner of Sammon Avenue, knock on my door from time to time asking them if they know Teresa or any of the other 4 Witnesses our firm employed.

At the present of course there is our outstanding President of the EYHS, Pancheta (Pat) Barnett. I consider myself fortunate to have met and worked with Pat a woman of many talents not the least of which is having me write these articles to help me to ward off Alzheimers.

Yes, Black Canadians have had and continue to have a very significant role in the life of Alan Redway.

ATTENTION: ALL FORMER STUDENTS OF LEASIDE HIGH SCHOOL

The Leaside High School Alumni Association will be holding a special series of events to commemorate the 75th founding of Leaside High School.

Reunion events include "Leaside Live – an evening of entertainment" on Friday, October 23, 2020. This will be a terrific evening of alumni entertainers including music, dance, comedy and maybe a few surprises too. This event takes place within the Leaside High School Auditorium.

Continuing with the excitement of a reunion, an Open House event will be held at the school on the morning and afternoon of Saturday October 24, 2020 with rooms



assigned to respective decades. This is a chance to informally re-connect with your now older school mates. Memorabilia will be on display.

Finally, the gala event for the reunion will be held in the evening on Saturday, October 24, 2020 at the Beanfield Centre (formerly the Automotive Bldg.) Canadian National Exhibition. The gala event will consist of a reception from 6 pm to 7 pm, followed by an exquisite 3-course meal, and an evening of dancing to all decade's assortment of live music provided by Monkley Cascade.

Complete details and ticket purchases can be found at: Leasidehighschool.com

Murder Most Foul

By Joanne Doucette

Oh God! Revenge his foul and most unnatural murder. Take revenge for his horrible murder, that crime against nature. William Shakespeare, Hamlet

While revenge is a long-gone possibility, we can remember. Samuel and Rachel Sewell were prosperous market gardeners and horse dealers whose farm was near Logan and Queen, the centre of the black community "over the Don". Both were born in Virginia under slavery and could be said to be the "elders" of Leslieville's black community. Their farm lane became known as "Sewell's Lane", and later, renamed, "Logan Avenue" as was nearby "FitzHugh Lane", also named after black residents. (It's apparently so easy to erase the past.) The Sewells are buried in the Necropolis Cemetery with others of their extended family (see the record of the burial plot below).

NECROPOLIS CEMETERY.				
OWNER <i>Sewell test. Samuel</i>		LOT RECORD		No. LOT <i>K 7</i>
ADDRESS		<i>Coloured</i>		
GENERAL No.	GRAVE No.	NAME	DATE OF DEATH	REMARKS
<i>1011</i>		<i>William Sewell 20</i>	<i>Feb 6. 1856</i>	
<i>1383</i>		<i>Isaiah T. 17.9m</i>	<i>July 21. 1856</i>	
<i>4005</i>		<i>Samuel Winder 7d</i>	<i>Aug 6. 1859</i>	
<i>5361</i>		<i>William Shoney 8</i>	<i>July 14. 1860</i>	
<i>5362</i>		<i>Rachel Barry 4</i>	<i>July 14. 1860</i>	
<i>5364</i>		<i>Sewell " 8 wks</i>	<i>July 14. 1860</i>	
<i>5807</i>		<i>Samuel Winder 4.9</i>	<i>July 16. 1861</i>	
<i>6260</i>		<i>Henrietta Barry 1</i>	<i>Apr 13. 1862</i>	
<i>8254</i>		<i>Mary " 43</i>	<i>Nov 17. 1865</i>	
<i>13028</i>		<i>Samuel Sewell 74</i>	<i>May 8. 1873</i>	
<i>15431</i>		<i>Sarah M. Barry 22</i>	<i>Mich 17. 1876</i>	
<i>17578</i>		<i>Rachel Sewell 80</i>	<i>Jan 3. 1879</i>	
<i>25550</i>	<i>3rd</i>	<i>James Barry 95.10m</i>	<i>June 16. 1895</i>	

On July 21, 1856 Michael Barry and others of the Brook's Bush gang murdered 17-year-old Isaiah Sewell by bashing him over the head. The Brook's Bush gang was a collection of prostitutes, pickpockets, thieves and petty criminals whose headquarters was an old barn in what is now Withrow Park. They were all white, mostly Irish but lead by Jane Ward, a vicious English prostitute.

A "streetwalker" named Catherine Cogan flirted with Isaiah Sewell. It was part of their *modus operandi* to ply a victim with alcohol and lure him with sex, and then rob him.

A witness testified, " [Michael Barry] never spoke to the coloured boy. The coloured boy was standing with his back to Barry. Barry never spoke when he struck the blow. The blow was given with a black glass

bottle...He fell immediately, never got up, and never spoke...when the blow was struck, Barry called the deceased a black n—g—r...”

A witness said, “I heard someone say it was a shame for a white girl to be seen with a black man.”

Samuel Sewell was a witness in the trial. He had sent his son to the mill road (Broadview Avenue) with money to buy hay. Isaiah was what we would call, “A good kid.” He never associated with the Brook’s Bush gang.

Nothing happened in the Brooks Bush Gang that the so-called Pirate Queen of Riverdale, Jane Ward, didn’t know about – or control. Jane Ward, like most of those present, was conveniently looking the other way when Sewell was murdered. The money disappeared. Michael Barry was convicted of manslaughter, taking the fall for the others as he himself was not a gang member, just a “newbie”.

For years the Brook’s Bush gang members boasted of getting away with killing a black man. (*Globe*, Oct. 30, 1856) This is the first racially motivated murder of a black man that I have found in my 30 or more years of researching Toronto’s history.

Photos of writers January 2020 E.Y. Inklings Newsletter of EYHS



Photo Jim Hartley



Photo Joanne Doucette



Photo Hon. Alan Redway



Photo President Pat Barnett

East York Historical Society AGM November 26, 2019



Councillors Brad Bradford & Paula Fletcher praised EYHS for its on going success



Guitarist Alicia Hail

Thank you to November 26, 2019 AGM Refreshments Committee

CORRECTIONS:

OUTREACH for SPECIAL EVENTS 2018-2019

- **October 20, 2019: Toronto Historical Association**
Held at Campbel House 1 pm -
Pat Barnett and Paula Davis attended

- **May 8, 2019**
Town of York Historical Society AGM and Reception
Held at 1300 Gerrard St. E
(Redwood Theatre) 6:30 pm -
Speaker: Adam Bunch
Topic: “The Toronto Book of the Dead”
Kat Akerfeldt and Pat Barnett attended

- **October 23, 2019**

“Myseum Documentary Diverse Histories:
255 Spadina Ave
Toronto Archives 7 pm - 9 pm
Pat Barnett attended

Special thank you to Refreshments Committee Volunteers. Kitchen & Table: Kay Horiszny, Paula Davis, Joyce Crook, Connie Fenton, Chris Theo, Ron Chamberlain
Donations of Food: Pat & Rhonda Barnett; Pat Barnett on behalf of East York Historical Society, Joyce Crook, Elizabeth Shelton, Dairy Queen, Paula Fletcher, Brad Bradford and Nathaniel Erskine-Smith

PLAQUE TO UNDERGROUND RAILROAD

WORDING FOR Newly installed plaque in honour of UNDERGROUND RAILROAD in Leslieville

Here is the wording of the plaque:

"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world." -Harriet Tubman (1822-1913)

Many families came to Toronto in the 1800s to escape slavery, violence and oppression in the American South. They courageously followed the dangerous path to freedom via the Underground Railroad and some settled here, near the corner of Queen Street East and Logan Avenue. While a few returned south after the Civil War (1861-1865), many remained, helping to forge the identity of Leslieville today.

This plaque commemorates these families: the Barrys, Cheneys, Dockertys, Harmons, Johnsons, Lewises, Sewells, Whitneys, Wilrouses, Winders, Woodforks and others who came here from Kentucky, Maryland, Virginia and other States.

BY THE LESLIEVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
WITH THE DANIELS CORPORATION AND THEIR PARTNER
STANLEY GARDEN
2019

In 1793 Upper Canada passed law banning the import of slaves (first such law in British Empire (9 July). The Abolition Act decreed slave children born in Upper Canada from this day forward are to be freed when they are 25. In the 1840s and 1850s a series of American court decisions and laws tightened slavery's grip and made escape even more dangerous. Increasingly, refugees from slavery headed to Canada, many using the secret network known as The Underground Railroad, but most travelling alone or in small family groups with no help from anyone, using the Northern Star to guide their way.

By the mid-1860s 60 to 75 black people lived here, out of a population of Leslieville's population of about 350.

We honor their contributions to our community where their descendants still live and work today.



Pancheta (Pat) Barnett, President & Joanne Doucette centre
Pancheta participated in the event by giving a short speech

AGNES MACPHAIL AWARD CEREMONY will be held at the East York Civic Centre in the True Davidson Council Chambers starting at 2pm. on Sunday, March 29, 2020.
In 1921 she blazed a path for women with her election to the federal House of Commons. Following her election in 1943, she became the first woman to sit in the Ontario Legislature, representing the riding of York East (which at that time included the community of East York and a large surrounding rural area).

On March 24, 1993, Mayor Michael Prue proclaimed the first annual Agnes Macphail Day in the Borough of East York, in honour of the 50th anniversary of her election to the Legislature. In January 1994, East York Council established the Agnes Macphail Award.

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EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY Welcome our Main Presenter:

BERNICE CARNEGIE

for the evening General meeting on Tuesday, 28th January, 2020 in Celebration of Black History Canada.

TOPIC: His Inspirational Journey A Daughter's Reflection

Bernice Carnegie is the co-founder of the *Herbert H. Carnegie Future Aces Foundation* and served as its former Executive Director for 17 years. She is the daughter of the Canadian Black icon Herbert Carnegie, a well-known former hockey player and the creator of the *Future Aces Philosophy*. Having worked with her father for more than three decades, Bernice has chosen to carry on the vision of their family charity by enlightening and engaging audiences with their compelling story. She was influenced by her father's ability to transform his challenges with racism into positive action that translated into enriching the lives of countless youth.



Bernice is passionate about continuing their work. In the new edition of "A Fly in a Pail of Milk – The Herb Carnegie Story" to be released in

November 2019, Bernice adds excerpts revealing what she learned from her father's experiences.

Bernice has a varied background in finance, business, education and speaking. From her parent's lead, she took to heart the importance of giving back to society. Some areas of recognition include the TDSB Public Education Hero Award and Volunteer Award of Distinction; Planet Africa Development Award; Urban Hero Award for Education; Black Business & Professional Association (BBPA) Woman of Honour Award; Ontario Black History Society (OBHS) Mathieu De Costa Award; National Ethnic Press & Media Council of Canada Humanities/Community Service Award; Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal; and she is a 100 Accomplished Black Canadian Woman recipient.

LUCIE NATHAN & RICK PEARSON



She was a public school teacher for thirty years; now a shameless advanced-beginner singer/songwriter/ukuleleist.

He is sixty years a performing musician, singer, songwriter with a lifetime of learning and unlearning.

Their history celebrates a shared love of questions. They are members of the Pancheta Barnett Admiration Society.

GEORGE ELLIOTT CLARKE



Poet Laureate Professor TOPIC: 2 POEMS

PB/RMcK 1/24/20



East York Historical Society

Welcomes new members:

Mary Ellen Trimble

Paul Plouffe

Paul Bowles

Earl Madger

(Earl Madger Dentistry)

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
Tuesday, November 26th, 2019, 7:30 PM
S. Walter Stewart Public Library, John S. Ridout Auditorium.**

Attendance, 80

President Pancheta Barnett called the meeting to order

Minutes were approved, (M; **Chris Salmond**, S; **Justin Van Dette**, carried)

The Annual Report and Financial Report were accepted (M; **Justin Van Dette**, S; **Glen Fenton**, carried)

Mrs Lorna Krawchuk was appointed as Financial Reviewer, (M; **Geoff Kettel**, S; **Kay Horiszny**, carried)

City Councillor Paula Fletcher took the chair to conduct the election of the Board of Directors. The following slate to the Board of Directors was submitted and, there being no further nominations, acclaimed:

President:	Pancheta (Pat) Barnett	
Vice President:	Ron Brown	
Directors at Large:	Ron Chamberlain	Christopher Salmond
	Justin Van Dette	Chris Theofilogiannakos

Appointed by the Board:	Past President:	Margaret McRae
	Treasurer,	Val Dodge,
	Secretary (acting),	Ron Brown

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM with no further business. Following the close of the AGM, the regular meeting of the Society commenced.

Minutes were taken by Ron Brown

BOARD OF DIRECTORS UPDATE:

Shannon Timms-Uochukwu Resigns from the East York Historical Society Board of Directors

Mrs. Shannon Timms-Ugochukwu has resigned from her position as secretary of the East York Historical Society. Shannon's letter of resignation to the Society is as follows:

Dated and hand delivered on October 30, 2019

"Dear Pat:

It is with regret that I tender my resignation from the East York Historical Society board of directors, effective immediately.

I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve on the board of this fine organization for the past year, and I offer my best wishes for its continued success.

Sincerely,

Shannon Timms"
signed signature

A Message from the East York Historical Society Board of Directors:

On behalf of the Society I take this time to say thank you Shannon for your service as secretary to East York Historical Society. You were available when most needed and we wish you all the very best and prosperity in your ongoing endeavours.

EYHS Pat & the Board.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE EYHS:

***East York Historical Society** is looking for a new Secretary please contact the Society if you have a referral.

In the interim, East York Historical Society Vice President Mr. Ron Brown has accepted the position as acting secretary. We thank you Ron!!!

RECOGNIZING MARTIN RAINBOW

Former EYHS President Mr. Martin Rainbow received the 2019 Certificate Appreciation Award from President Pancheta (Pat) Barnett on behalf of the Society during the EYHS Annual General Meeting on the evening of November 26, 2019

Here is a note I recently received from Mr. Martin Rainbow to the Society:

Thank you very much for inviting me to the AGM and for presenting me with the Award. East York History is very important to me and I was proud to represent the historical society as President. I am most proud about the work we did to install the Dentonia Park Plaque as well as plaques for Billy McKay and True Davidson. I hope that there will be more publications in the future to promote and preserve the history of East York. It was nice to see some old friends at the meeting, but I was sad that many of my EYHS family gave passed on. Best Wishes for the future of the Society.

Martin



TRENDING NOW...

East York Historical Society Condolences

Mrs. Diane Ford
Canadian passed @ aged 85
on January 5, 2020



Diane Ford and Pancheta Barnett circa October 25, 2015 at Mrs. Diane Ford's home. (2 great ladies sharing an unforgettable moment together).

Mrs. Marilyn Lastman
Canadian passed
@ aged 84
January 1, 2020



Ukraine International Airlines
Flight PS752 January 8, 2020
176 passengers and crew



PM Justin Trudeau
being interviewed



Beaches-East York MP., Nathaniel Erskine-Smith, and wife Amy Symington and their son Crawford at Michael Garron Hospital. Crawford arrived a bit earlier than expected on the morning of Dec. 22, and was delivered by Erskine-Smith. Photo: Submitted.

LEVEE of MPP., Kathleen Wynne and MP., Rob Oliphant Held at Toronto Botanical Gardens Floral Hall Sunday, January 19, 2020 from 1 pm - 3 pm. was well attended MPP. Wynne was not in attendance at this 17th year Levee due to cancellation of hers and Jane's flight from the Bahamas. MP., Oliphant and MPP., Wynne's son welcomed and greeted the attendees.

We all missed your great presence MPP. Wynne.
East York Historical Society President Pat Barnett attended.



MPP., K. Wynne
Former Premier of Ontario.

2020 has been off to a great start! The new 43rd Parliament has officially begun. I was honoured to be asked by the Prime Minister to serve as the new Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Canadian Heritage, Steven Guilbeault (pictured along with Adam van Koevorden, PS to Sport). You can check out all Minister mandate letters online; they are a great place to learn about the priorities on which the Ministers will be working.



EYHS Congratulates
MP Julie Dabrusin

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MP Julie Dabrusin's
new office location:
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MP Julie Dabrusin



Pop-Up Community Offices

Tues
Jan 14

Goat Cree
893 Pape Ave
9am-11am

Sat
Jan 18

East York Comm.
Centre
1081 1/2 Pape Ave
2:30pm-4:30pm

Tues
Jan 21

Lazy Daisy's Cafe
1515 Gerrard St E
4pm-6pm

Sun
Jan 26

Gerrard Square
1000 Gerrard St E
11am-1pm

MEETINGS OF EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

DATE	TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
Wednesday, February 19, 2020	2:00 PM	Afternoon Discussion	Show & Tell
Tuesday, March 31, 2020	7:00 PM	Life & Times of John Candy	TBA
Tuesday, May 26, 2020	7:00 PM	Delzotto & the History of Tridel	The Delzotto Family
Wednesday, April 15, 2020	2:00 PM	Memories of Gord Haslett (past member of EYHS)	Ms. Denise Gordon
Tuesday September 29, 2020	7:00 PM	Lost Golf Courses	Joanne Doucette
Wednesday, October 21, 2020	2:00 PM	TBA	TBA
Tuesday, November 24, 2020 40 th Annual General Meeting	7:00 PM	Living Up to the Legend	Diana Bishop

A NOTE OF THANKS AND CONGRATULATIONS to our Society from our 2019 AGM Presenter: MR. ROB LEVERTY Executive Director of the Ontario Historical Society:

Good Morning Pat! Congratulations on your re-election as President.

It was a great honour and indeed a privilege to address your AGM last night.

I talked to many of your members after my presentation and thanked them for supporting East York HS.

I also talked to both Toronto Councillors Brad and Paula and told them EYHS has our full support and admiration.

I have asked Sarah to send you the picture of you and me as the pictures taken on my camera did not turn out.

My warmest regards Pat and best wishes to your other Directors.

Best wishes

Rob

Rob Leverty, Executive Director, The Ontario Historical Society



Thank you to Starbucks (Eglinton & Laird) who has provided Refreshments toward our January 28, 2020 event!



Robbie Burns Supper

Saturday January 25th, 2020

The Latvian Canadian Cultural Centre
4 Credit Union Drive, Toronto
(Near Eglinton Ave. East & Berrymead)

Hosted by The Kiwanis Club of East York

- Roast Beef Dinner • Haggis, Neeps and Tatties (of course)
- Door Prizes • Silent Auction • Scottish Highland Dancing
- Cash Bar • Single Malt Whisky Bar

TICKETS - \$75 (advance purchase only)

COCKTAILS at 6:15 PM - DINNER at 7:00 PM

DRESS: Highland Dress or Business Attire

FOR TICKETS: Online eventbrite.ca | Phone: (416) 491-6777
Email: treasurer@kcey.ca OR kceysecretary@gmail.com

All proceeds go directly to local community programs





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 7:00 pm and include an illustrated presentation on a subject.

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Help strengthen the history of East York by becoming a member of 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.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

New members and guests are always welcome. The fees for 2020 are:

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

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"East York Historical Society", 107 Cambridge Avenue, Toronto, ON, M4K 2L7

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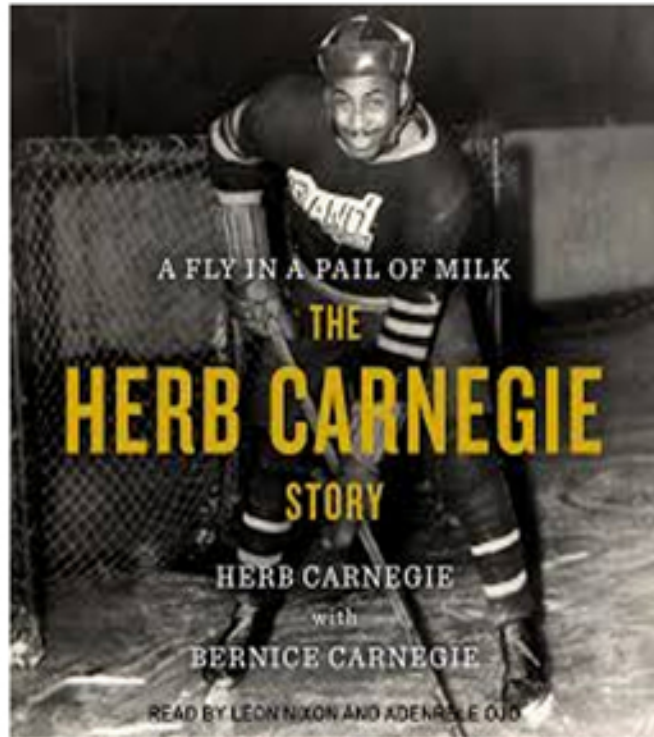
Tuesday, January 28, 2020 @ 7pm

S. Walter Stewart Library in the John S. Ridout Auditorium
170 Memorial Park Avenue & Durant Avenue

Main Presenter



Bernice Carnegie
"The Herb Carnegie Story"



A Daughter's Reflections on His Inspirational Journey



Musical Duet
Lucie Nathan Ukulelist
& Rick Pearson Guitarist



Poet Laureate
George Elliott Clarke

FREE
ADMISSION

Refreshments @ 7pm

President's Welcome/Remarks @ 7:30 pm

Presentation/Speaker @ 8:00 pm

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