



EAST YORK INKLINGS

Newsletter of the East York Historical Society

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Dear Friends,

In recent weeks, we have been very happy with the number of past and present supporters who have renewed their membership for 2013.

Thanks to your support, we remain an active and vibrant association, which is committed to protecting and promoting the history of East York.

We really hope you can join us on May 28th as we welcome Wayne Reeves who will join us from the City of Toronto to talk about the Water Czar – R.C. Harris.

Our Board of Directors continues to meet on a regular basis and I want you to know that we're working very hard on putting together a great program for the fall. Further details on our meetings, which will include presentations about the TTC's Lower Bay Subway Station and the history of the Toronto East General Hospital, which first opened in 1929, will be featured in our September newsletter.

As always, we welcome your feedback and would encourage you to get in touch with us if you have any comments or ideas.

Thank you again for your ongoing support and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

Jane Pitfield
President, East York Historical Society

*Mark your calendar
and join us...*

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

Refreshments at 7:00pm

Meeting commences at 7:30pm

Topic: The Water Czar – R.C. Harris

**Speaker: Wayne Reeves, Chief Curator
for the City of Toronto Museum Services**

**The East York Historical Society
meetings are co-sponsored by the
Toronto Public Library,
and take place in the
John S. Ridout Auditorium at the
S. Walter Stewart Library Branch,
located at 170 Memorial Park Avenue
on the corner of Memorial Park Ave.
and Durant Ave.**

**Meetings take place on the last
Tuesday of January, March, May,
September and November.**



Ward 29 Bikes to host Historical Bike Ride

Join Ward 29 Bikes for the Ward 29 History bike ride on Thursday, June 20. Featuring more than two dozen sites in Ward 29 (bounded by Coxwell Avenue, Danforth Avenue, and the Don Valley), this group ride will take approximately 2 hours to complete at a family-friendly pace while visiting four main areas in Ward 29: the institutional hub around Coxwell and Mortimer; Todmorden Village; Chester Village; and the Playter Estates. Participants will receive copies of the tour booklet with descriptions of each property featured on the tour. Meet at Playter Gardens at the corner of Cambridge and Danforth Avenues (one block west of Broadview Avenue) at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 20.

More info: info@29bikes.ca - www.29bikes.ca



EAST YORK... Then and Now!

We encourage our members and supporters to visit and LIKE a great facebook page: **EAST YORK... Then and Now**. This site features some great photos of our community that date back decades. Feel free to get in touch with them if you have any that you would like to share. You can visit the page at:

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/East-York-Then-and-Now/340651007038?fref=ts>



This historic bridge (to be found today at Eglinton & Leslie), built in 1884, may have been the only sign of civilization (other than farms) in this area.

Remembering Gord Hazlett – 1919 to 2013

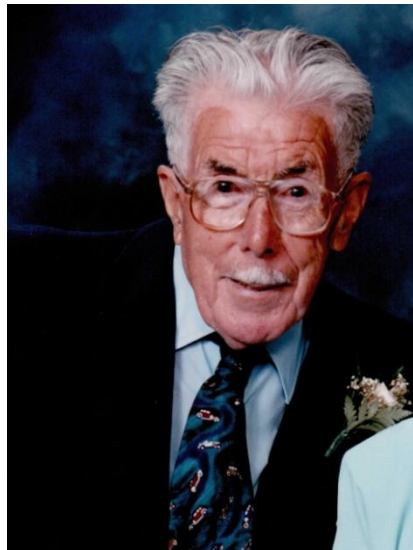
The East York Historical Society was very sad to hear about the passing of our good friend Gord Hazlett.

He passed away peacefully at Toronto East General Hospital on March 20, 2013 in his 94th year.

He was the loving husband of the late Lorraine for over 71 years and beloved father of Gord (Sandy), Dr. Daniel, Randy, Jennifer (Barrie) and the late Bill. Gord was also a cherished grandfather of nine and great-grandfather of 15.

Gord will be sadly missed by many extended family and friends. In his obituary, which appeared in the Toronto Star, it was mentioned that donations should be directed to the CNIB.

We recently received an email communication and we thought we would share this note since he was a great friend to so many in East York...



Dear Jane Pitfield, Staff, Volunteers and Members of East York Historical Society,

On behalf of my family and myself, a heartfelt thank you for the outpouring of sympathy expressed on the recent passing of my father, Gord Hazlett.

We are also grateful for the many cards of condolence; sentiments expressed at the visitations, and those who were in attendance at the funeral; and generous contributions to charity in Dad's honour.

Your thoughtfulness means so much, especially during this difficult time. Dad cherished his friendships at EYHS and always enjoyed attending the meetings. I know he'll be missed there as well. Thank you again for extending your support.

Warm Regards,

*Jennifer Hazlett and family;
brother Gord (Sandy) and Randy*

East York Historical Society

Membership Update – 2013 Current Membership

The East York Historical Society is pleased to inform you that we currently have 121 paid members for 2013. As with tradition, here's a list of our members. If your name is not shown below and would like to enquire about your membership, please contact Kay Horiszny at 416-422-4626 or by e-mail at shoemakersdaughter@bell.net

Aarne Juhola
Ali Chatur
B. Jane Moore
Barbara Morrison
Barry Penhale
Baudina (Susie) Beamish
Bill Bartlett
Bill Betsworth
Carl Wilcox
Catherine Andrews
Cathy Betsworth
Chris Joys
Christopher Jones
Christopher Salmond
Colleen Peacock
Colleen Thompson
Connie Fenton
David Bridge
David Kidd
Dawn McEachern
Deirdre Paul
Diane Bennett-Jones
Diane Brockman
Don Deathe
Don Uttley
Donna-Lynn McCallum
Dr. Ronald Tasker
Dr. John C. Carter
Ed Freeman
Eileen M. Adams
Eleanor Darke
Fred Clark

Geoffrey Kettel
George Gorrie
George Matthew
Gillian Mandel
Glenn Fenton
Grace Y. Tanaka
Heather de Veber
Helen Juhola
Hon. Alan Redway
Ian Wheal
Irene Derzay
James McAndless
Jane Gibson
Jane Pitfield
Jean Stapleton
Jeanne Hopkins
Jim Grass
Joan Ridout
Joan Tilt
Joanne Green
John Laraway
John Michailidis
Joseph Cooper
Joyce Crook
June Murdoch
Justin Van Dette
Karen Bell
Katherine Kirzati
Kathleen A. Waters
Kathleen Horiszny
Ken Thompson
Kenneth Menagh

Laurel Ann Nichol
Lawrence G. Main
Lillian Robertson
Lillian Tanizaki
Linda Martin
Lisa Brazier
Lorna Krawchuk
Louise Bridge
Louise Herzberg
Lynn Austin
Lynn Ridout
Lynne Brown
Maggie Kambanis
Malcolm Geast
Margaret McRae
Marilyn Clark
Martin Rainbow
Mary Fragedakis
Mary Jean Joys
Melanie Milanich
Michael Austin
Michael Prue, MPP
Mike Dolbey
Mike Filey
Nancy Moffat
Natalie Neill
Norman Dyson
Pam Sellers
Pancheta Barnett
Patricia Eastman
Paul Hirst
Paul Von Zuben

Paula Davies
Peter (Seamore)
Matthews
Peter Edwards
Petra Grass
Randall Speller
Risa Gluskin
Robert Arthur Brathwaite
Robert Broughton
Robert Moore
Ron Chamberlain
Ruth Broughton
Sandra Collins
Scott Burns
Shirley McAndless
Sonia Van Heerden
Stacey Shannon
Steve Smith
Susan Bartlett
Susan Dolbey
Susan Wells
Ted Lea
Val Dodge
Vanessa Rose
Walter Rothenburger

CELEBRATE CANADA DAY WITH THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

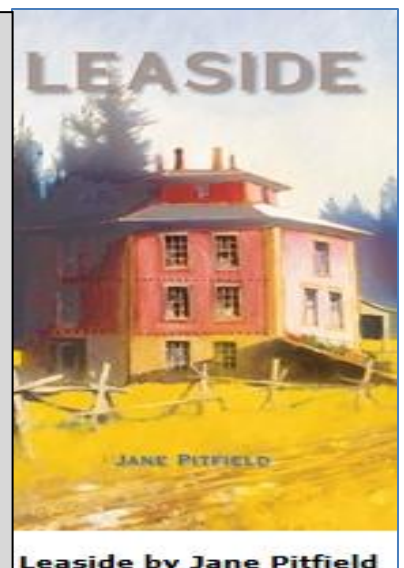
Come walk with us in the East York Canada Day Parade. Members and friends can meet us on July 1st at 9:15am at Dieppe Park. The parade walk will conclude at Stan Wadlow Park. We're also looking for volunteers to help run our table in Stan Wadlow Park. Please confirm your participation by calling 416-429-7821



**Leaside Books are
available for \$28.00.**

**All proceeds are being
directed to the Leaside
Property Owners
Association.**

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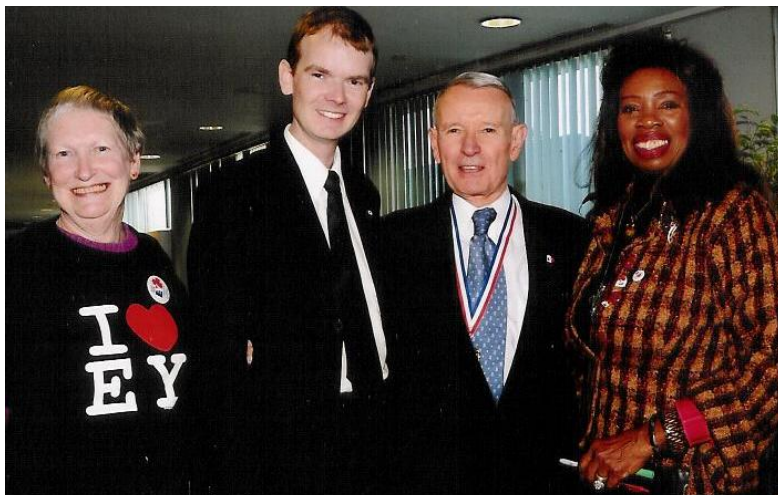


Hon. Alan Redway wins the 2013 Agnes Macphail Award

The East York Historical Society was pleased to see one of their own Board Members receive the 2013 Agnes Macphail Award.

The Honourable Alan Redway served three terms as Mayor of East York and as our local Member of Parliament. He also served as MPP for York East and served two terms with the federal government including time as Canada's Minister of State (Housing)

"Alan has served our community for so many years and has impacted so many people and causes throughout his adult life," said Jane Pitfield, President of the East York Historical Society. "His advocacy for East York, the need for affordable housing in Toronto and across Canada and his ongoing volunteer service is a testament of Alan's commitment to our community."



East York Historical Society Board Members Margaret McRae, Justin Van Dette and Pancheta Barnett at the Agnes Macphail Award ceremony with their 2013 recipient, The Honourable Alan Redway.

Leaside 100 welcomes Prime Minister Stephen Harper and Premier Kathleen Wynne

Prime Minister Harper and Premier Wynne were among the many who attended the Leaside 100th Anniversary. Premier Wynne is the local MPP for Don Valley West and Prime Minister Harper proudly spoke of his childhood life in Leaside. To listen to his remarks, visit:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o6AnQsmk_gk

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The East York Historical Society is dedicated to preserving and sharing information about East York's rich past. The Society meets 5 evenings a year usually on the last Tuesday in January, March, May, September and November and selected afternoons in the autumn and winter months.

INTERESTED IN THE EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY, CONTACT US...

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