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East York Inklings

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2023

DOORS OPEN @ 7PM

MAIN PRESENTER: MARK MALONEY

ON TOPIC: "TORONTO MAYORS"



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@ 170 Memorial Park and Durant Avenues in East York



PRESIDENT PAT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all members (Friends and Donors) of East York Historical Society.

I hope you are enjoying the various temperatures of these days (some a bit cooler and warmer for this time of Autumn).



Also hope your Thanksgiving and Remembrance Day was well acknowledged.

Again this year East York Historical Society participated in the Remembrance Day Service. Accompanying me to lay EYHS Wreath at EYCC Cenotaph was V-P. Ron Brown.

Many thanks to our Presenter VP., of EYHS Mr. Ron F. Brown on September 26, 2023 on topic: "Toronto's Lost Villages"

East York Historical Society upcoming 43rd AGM will be held on the evening of Tuesday, 28th November, 2023 starting at 7:30pm.

Our 2021 recipient of the Certificate of Appreciation Award went to Mr. Ian Wheel ...page10

Followed by the Society's 7th Annual presentation of the Certificate of Appreciation Award, **Presenter Mr. Mark Maloney on topic: "TORONTO MAYORS" a presentation you will want to attend. Bring a friend.**

Please be reminded, that your East York Historical Society membership is due now for renewal. To members who have already renewed please disregard this reminder.



Membership new and renewed can be paid via e-transfer: val@cabal.org by mail and with cash at the meeting. Please do not send cash in mail.

Your membership, regular attendance at the meetings are greatly valued, appreciated and recognized.

A Warm Welcome to our new members...see names on page 7

On January 1, 1924 the Township of East York was born. January 1, 1924-January 1, 2024 will be 100 years since. Any further details of a celebration and you will be notified.

Note on Kay Horiszny long time resident of East York and one who held many positions in the Society, has moved in June of 2023...see page 7

A reminder that the evenings are getting a little darker so please walk in well light areas wearing bright colours.

Have a great and enjoyable holiday and New Year 2024.

In the meantime>"Keep on keeping on; doing your best best" Pancheta Barnett. Thank you for listening

P. Barnett

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EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY WELCOMES NOVEMBER 28, 2023 7:30PM 43RD AGM Presenter: MR. MARK MALONEY ON TOPIC: “TORONTO MAYORS”

Biography of Mark Maloney

For several years Mark Maloney has been a government relations/public affairs professional with two leading public affairs firms, Urban Intelligence Ltd., and then Urban Consulting, and has coordinated in-depth municipal research projects across Canada.

He has also served as coordinator of the Greater Toronto Regional Economic Summit, a major GTA-wide economic initiative co-chaired by John Honderich (of Torstar) and Hazel McCallion (Mayor of Mississauga). The Summit brought together top corporate, business, community and public sector leaders from across Greater Toronto to help chart our economic future.

Mark has worked with three Mayors of Toronto: first with Barbara Hall, and then with Mel Lastman, where he served as the Coordinator of Research, Community Outreach, & Special Projects for the Mayor's Office, responsible for liaison with all minority communities in Toronto. In addition, he also served full-time for a year as policy coordinator for Mayor John Tory's successful 2014 election campaign, and in 2022 he co-chaired the largest fundraising reception held in the Mayor's re-election campaign.

Mark has served as staff liaison to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' "Big City Mayors' Caucus," working with former FCM President (the late) Jack Layton on the national initiative on homelessness. He also headed the initial Toronto bid group to obtain the 2002 World Youth Days event which, with its attendance of over 450,000 delegates over a four-day period, remains the

Mark is fluently bilingual and holds a BA (Hons.) from the University of Ottawa. He has just completed writing a book "Toronto Mayors - A History of the City's Leaders" to be published by

largest single multi-day conference meeting in the city's history.

Mark's career has included serving as a reporter with the CHUM Radio network and as an assignment desk editor with CTV News in Ottawa, where he also chaired the Regional government's Board of Health and served for 8 years as a member of Ottawa City Council.

Today, he works half-time as the municipal affairs advisor for the Government Relations Office of the University of Toronto, and the other half as municipal affairs specialist for the Financial District; the Entertainment District; and the Downtown Yonge Business Improvement Areas, actively covering Toronto council as well as its standing committees, boards and agencies.

In his personal time, Mark has served on the board of Toronto's Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and on the board of the Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA) a small federal crown agency headquartered in Ottawa that reports to Canada's Parliament through the Minister of Health. In recent years, he also helped to initiate and advance a major innovative community-building project, as secretary to the Expo 2025 World's Fair bid effort for Toronto.

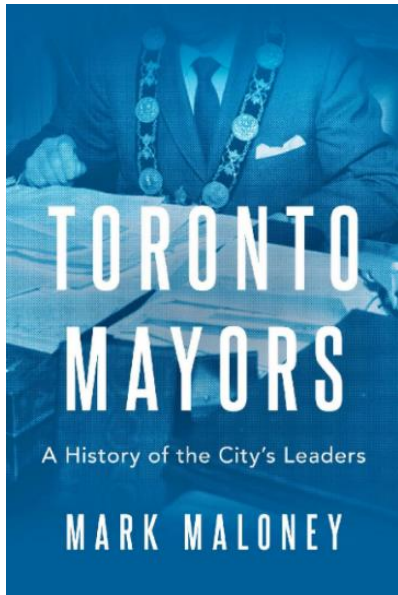
Today, Mark is a volunteer with the Toronto Arts Council and serves on the organizing committee of "The Mayor's Evening for the Arts" a major annual event hosted by the mayor to raise \$1 million per year from the corporate sector for local community-based arts and cultural initiatives.

Dundurn Press in August, 2023:

<https://www.dundurn.com/books/t22117/a9781459751224-torontomayors>



Introduction to Mark Maloney's Toronto's Mayors



Toronto Mayors is a very modest undertaking with respect to the history of the mayors of Toronto. Indeed, for any author, the hardest part of completing a book is what has to be left out of the final manuscript. That was the case here, as well.

This undertaking does

have a predecessor, though. It is Victor Loring Russell's *Mayors of Toronto*, published in 1982 as a first volume from just 1834 to 1899. My book builds upon Russell's terrific work. For each Toronto mayor, I have tried to reflect the following:

- The mayors' formative years, including family backgrounds, education, and personal lives.
- Circumstances as well as their prior work, successes, or accomplishments that led them to be chosen mayors.
- Their political careers and mayoral priorities as well as issues Toronto's Council was dealing with during their terms as mayors.
- A look at what was happening in Toronto during each mayor's time and how the city was evolving.
- The mayors' lives and careers after serving in the city's top job.

Toronto has had an amazing journey as a city — from its origins as a small, dusty colonial outpost of 9,000 hardy souls at the time of incorporation in 1834 to becoming a major global centre of more than three million residents as it approaches its anniversary in 2034.

Photo Far Right: East York Historical Society President Pancheta Banett and Mark Maloney, Mon., Sept. 11, 2023 (5-8pm) at the launch of Mark's new book and the topic of his talk at EYHS Nov. 28, 2023 7³⁰ pm 43rd AGM, **Toronto's Mayors.** https://www.thestar.com/news/insight/this-former-toronto-mayor-once-owned-slaves/article_3f9e5c65-2b87-5ddd-bef3-fa293349c3d6.html

The mayoral history of Toronto is both rich and colourful. It is sometimes forgotten that more Toronto mayors have made the journey to and from City Hall by horse than have used motor vehicles. And as the *Toronto Star* once noted,

there have been mayors who were “scoundrels, rogues, and socialists.” One of Toronto's mayors was involved in the brutal torture of an opposition candidate. Another went insane while in office as he began to suffer from a long, slow, agonizingly painful death due to an acute third stage of syphilis.

Toronto's mayors have been curious, eccentric, or alcoholic, while others were offbeat, rebellious, or swaggering. Some city leaders have been bigots, bullies, refugees, social crusaders, war heroes, or bon vivants. Other mayors have been inspiring, still others well ahead of their times.

In today's modern world, Toronto has become Canada's major powerhouse and is the country's main hub for education, manufacturing, financial services, trade, transportation, arts and culture, media, high tech, and research. The city's mayor is a political, social, and economic leader of a respected metropolis, identified for several years in a row by *The Economist* as one of the world's top 10 most livable cities.

Today, the mayor of Toronto guides the city farther into the 21st century and is also the inheritor of a rich legacy of hopes and dreams, ambitions and efforts, successes and failures that all began with William Lyon Mackenzie, the first mayor in 1834. The office of mayor remains an unbroken link to Toronto's founding.

Here also are a few other pieces I have done. One is column I first did when Rob Ford was elected mayor in 2010, and a recent column from the summer of 2022 about the mayor of Toronto who owned 148 slaves.



Monday Sept 11th
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Join Mark Maloney and many other political VIPs to launch his new book, *Toronto Mayors: A History of the City's Leaders* at Old City Hall in Toronto.

More than 100 copies of the book will be available for purchase at the book launch.

TORONTO MAYORS
A HISTORY OF THE CITY'S LEADERS
MARK MALONEY

REGISTER HERE

LOCATION:
TORONTO OLD CITY HALL
30 QUEEN ST. W. TORONTO

TICKET PRICE: THE BOOK INCLUDES A SIGN-DUP COPY OF THE PHOTOGRAPHY BOOK (LIMITED TO 100 COPIES). TICKETS ARE \$15.00. TICKETS ARE \$15.00. TICKETS ARE \$15.00. TICKETS ARE \$15.00.

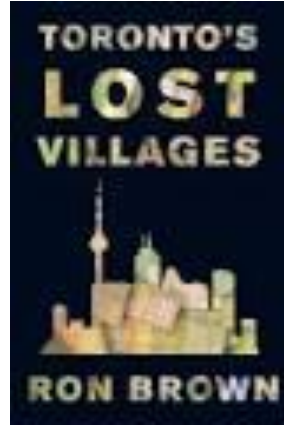
TORONTO MARCHES IS ALSO AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE MARKET PLACE.



MARK MALONEY BOOK LAUNCH!

EYHS President Pancheta Barnett and Secretary Justin Van Dette attended the Book Launch of *Toronto Mayors – a History of the City's Leaders* written by author Mark Maloney. Mark will be East York Historical Society's special guest speaker to talk about his book at our Tuesday, November 28th Meeting. Photo taken, Monday, September 11, 2023.

THANK YOU,
TO OUR SEPT 26, 2023 PRESENTER:
EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY
VICE PRESIDENT
MR. RON BROWN
ON TOPIC:
"TORONTO'S LOST VILLAGES"



EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY REMEMBERS
at East York Civic Centre
REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2023 @10:45am

ATTENDED BY EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESIDENT PBARNETT, VP RBROWN AND BOARD OF DIRECTOR JVALLIERE AT REMEMBRANCE DAY COMMEMORATIONS NOV. 11, 2023 @ EY CIVIC CTR, WREATH LAYING AT CENOTAPH



East York Historical Society wreath laid by EYHS President PBarnett at East York Civic Centre Cenotaph Saturday, November 11, 2023. Photo Credits Director Joanne Valliere

East York Historical Society President Pat Barnett and VP Ron Brown @ East York Civic Centre Remembrance Day Ceremony Sat. Nov. 11, 2023 at 10:45 am.



SARGEANT GORDON WYATT EAST YORKER 1916 - 1945

STORY BY MALCOLM KELLY, PUBLISHED ON HIS FACEBOOK PAGE OCTOBER 15, 2023

Story: <https://www.facebook.com/malcolm.kelly3>

Photos: <https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=652449910423075&set=pcb.652451277089605>

Countless young men went off to fight in the Second World War, where they found their destiny and gave their lives. On occasion it would work the other way, and here we find our story.

Photo: Gordon Wyatt, East York, was serving with No. 7 Field

Ambulance, Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps, when he was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease. Photo courtesy the Wyatt family.

Gordon Wyatt was born in 1916, to Arthur and Margaret, and grew up around Toronto's East York suburb. It was a large family, including brothers Arthur, George, Norman, Melville, and Wilfred, plus sister Margaret who was married by the start of the war, living nearby on Cadona Avenue.

Gord went through East York High School (about to be Collegiate), graduating in the mid-1930s and headed out to work downtown as a shipping clerk with the Pannill Door and Lumber Company, on Front Street East.

It was a position he liked, and actually listed it on his army forms as a place to which he might return "if possible." For recreation, young Wyatt enjoyed tennis and swimming.

War breaks out and Gord reports for Army duty on Feb. 7, 1941, easily passing his medical and drawing attention with his clerking skills. The military runs on paperwork and if they find someone who can type, think, and sort, you often wound up drafted into an office.

An important one in Wyatt's case – No. 7 Field Ambulance, Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps – a forerunner to the Mobile Army Field Hospitals that would pop up in the Korean War.

It was as close to combat as you could get without being shot.

The unit went overseas first to Ogbourne St. George, Wiltshire, for advanced training and organization, where Gord became an acting corporal and then quickly a sergeant. Simply good at his job.

That March of 1943, Wylie spent 25 days in a military hospital in England, suffering from influenza and bronchitis, leaving in good shape to continue his work at which he would serve with distinction.

The medical records show his next time under care came a year later, April of 1944 in the battle hell of the Italian campaign, as doctors diagnosed pulmonary tuberculosis on the 19th. By the end of the month it was seen as an inflammation of the mediastinal glands, changed again on June 7 to a neoplasm.

Sent back to England the specialists at 19th Canadian General Hospital finally found the truth – Hodgkin's disease, a cancer of the lymph nodes. There would not be a cure until 1964.

So home he came, met at Union Station by family, discharged in August for medical reasons, and sent to Christie Street Military Hospital for care. Gord died there on 29 March, 1945, and is buried in Pine Hills Cemetery.

The motto of the RCAMC was In Arduis Fidelis – Faithful through Adversity. It fits Gordon Wyatt to a T.

UPDATE: Thanks to reader Jimmy Jimbo, the story has been corrected to show Gordon was first in hospital in the UK.

Malcolm Kelly is the author of SPROG: A Novel of Bomber Command, which tells of the young men leaving high school to join the air force. It tells of their training, films, music, pop culture, comic books, loves and lives.

Sgt. Gordon Wyatt
Invalidated home last September, Sgt. Gordon Wyatt, 28, who served overseas three years with the 7th LAF, RCAMC, died Thursday at Christie St. Hospital, where he had been a patient for some months. Sgt. Wyatt saw service in England and Italy. He was born in Toronto, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wyatt, 9 Gamble Ave. He was an Anglican. Surviving besides his parents are five brothers, Arthur, George, Norman, Melville and Wilfred; and a sister, Margaret.



Photo Left: Death notice for Gordon Wyatt, East York. **Photo Above:** Sgt. Gordon Wyatt's gravestone, Pine Hills Cemetery, Scarborough, Ontario. Courtesy Canadian Virtual War Memorial. Article requested by EYHS President PBarnett from MKelly to publish in EY Inklings Newsletter of EYHS.



2024

TUESDAY EVENING 7PM MEETINGS

JANUARY 30

MARCH 26

MAY 28

SEPTEMBER 24

AGM NOVEMBER 26



TUESDAY EVENING 7PM MEETINGS

JANUARY 31 ✓

MARCH 28 ✓

MAY 30 ✓

SEPTEMBER 26 ✓

AGM NOVEMBER 28



AILEEN SALMOND

Aileen is the widow of the late EYHS Board of Director Christopher Salmond

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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



East York Historical Society acknowledges the land that S. Walter Stewart Library stands on today, the land upon which our meetings are held and the land we inhabit and are custodians of, is the traditional territory of many nations. These nations include the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishnabe ("Ah-nish-na-be"), the Chippewa, the Haudenosaunee ("How-den-no-show-nee") and the Wendat peoples and is now home to many diverse First Nations, Inuit and Metis peoples.



SUNNY DAYS WITH MAYOR OLIVIA CHOW



On September 24th, Justin Van Dette hosted his annual Summer Party in East York and welcomed this year's special guest Mayor Olivia Chow. 90 people attended the event including many community leaders who do a lot of good work in East York. The event also collected food in support of the Bethany Baptist Food Bank. Above, L>R: EYHS Secretary Justin Van Dette, Mayor Olivia Chow and EYHS President Pancheta Barnett.



'Tis the Season Children's Art Show at Assembly Hall

<https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/history-art-culture/cultural-centres-galleries/assembly-hall/?accordion=gallery-exhibitions>

Created by students from local schools in Etobicoke, the works in this exhibition speak to seasonal changes from autumn to winter, like snowfalls and long periods of darkness, and the cultural traditions they help shape. The exhibition is on display until December 20. Vote for your favourite artwork at the People's Choice Awards taking place at the Assembly Hall's annual Community Open House on November 29 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. [Learn more.](#)

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ATTENDS LEASIDE SPORTS HALL OF FAME 10TH ANNUAL INDUCTION CEREMONY



On Friday, November 17th, The Leaside Sports Hall of Fame held its 10th Annual Induction Ceremony. The event was highlighted with Angela James OC of the NHL's Hall of Fame 2010 inductee and 2021 recipient of the Order of Canada, who delivered a keynote address to the over 100 people in attendance. Above, L>R: Pat Barnett, President of East York Historical Society, Angela James OC and Justin Van Dette, Secretary of East York Historical Society.



Celebrate the holidays with the return of Cavalcade of Lights on November 25

https://www.toronto.ca/explore-enjoy/festivals-events/cavalcade-of-lights/?WT.mc_id=Cavalcade-2023-11-FB&IG

Inspired by Christmas, winter solstice, lantern and light festivals from around the world, Cavalcade of Lights is a free event that transforms Toronto City Hall and its surroundings into a downtown winter wonderland from November 25 to January 7. Visit on opening night for live performances, skating and the grand illumination of Toronto's official Christmas tree and Nathan Phillips Square. [Learn more.](#)

Long Awaited Terry Fox Legacy Art Installation at Toronto's Music Garden Unveiled

Oct. 5, 2023 Story by Natalie Koper

A Canadian humanitarian, activist, and athlete, Terry Fox has finally been honoured in Downtown Toronto in a long-awaited public art installation beside the Toronto Music Garden at 439 Queens Quay West. The project titled “We Are Shaped by the Obstacles We Face” consists of sculpted stone slabs forming a perspective silhouette of Terry Fox during his Marathon of Hope in 1980.

Fox’s legacy starts back on March 3rd, 1977 when Terry was faced with the diagnosis of bone cancer at the age of 18. The barrier was only the start of his remarkable journey to raise funds for cancer research and spread awareness by running East to West across Canada. **Photo Right: East perspective of public art installation presenting Terry’s silhouette, image by Natalie Koper**



Discussion about the memorial for Fox culminated in the Summer of 2018, with approval of the public art installation directed to the city’s waterfront. The project was made possible with funding and support of the Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario (FedDev Ontario), the Legacy Art Project Toronto, the Waterfront BIA, and the Toronto Foundation. Numerous designs were considered with a national call that resulted in 5 shortlisted proposals at the city’s Fort York Visitor Centre. Jon Sasaki’s design was the most well-received, with a Public Art Design Review having taken place in the Fall of 2022. **Photo Left: Statue of Terry Fox located at the west entrance of the installation, image by Natalie Koper**

The approved design presents an immersive journey through the Music Garden. The artwork displays three granite slabs, forming the foundations of the iconic Terry Fox Marathon of Hope perspective silhouette through its paved pathway. Along with the surrounding green space, the design aims to inspire the challenges we face by pushing beyond and achieving a positive outlook on prevailing through determination. At the end of the pathway, you are greeted with a bronze statue of a young Terry.

As Darrell Fox, brother of Terry, said at the dedication, “Yes, I’ve seen this project for many years, but to be here physically, and to be in that position, and to see Terry’s outline, took me back to 1980, which was an incredible feeling.”

Toronto-based interdisciplinary artist Jon Sasaki explains “From our earliest discussions, we were interested in highlighting Terry’s tenacity and inner strength and finding a way to translate that into the language of landscape architecture.” James Roach of [DTAH](#) Landscape Architects added “The central premise of the design is a path, a path that symbolizes a road and Terry’s journey through the eastern provinces into Ontario, along the highways and through the rolling terrain.”



Mayor Olivia Chow and Deputy Mayor and Councillor Ausma Malik (Spadina-Fort York) were in attendance with notable partners at the City’s unveiling of the artwork. Both recounted the legacy and impact the notable Canadian has had on many lives. Malik proclaimed, “This artwork brings the memory and legacy of Terry Fox to life in an innovative way for waterfront communities and visitors to experience. This artwork may be stationary, but it causes us to be moved in a powerful way.” **Photo Above: Left to right are James Roach, Jon Sasaki, Craig Jarvis, Mayor Olivia Chow, Councillor Ausma Malik, Jack Winberg, and Darrell Fox, image by Natalie Koper**

EYHS HONOURS MR. IAN WHEAL RECIPIENT OF EYHS 2021 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION AWARD



On the afternoon of 21st August, 2023 Helen Mills of Toronto Field Naturalist and P. Barnett President of East York Historical Society, after almost 4 years trying to reach Mr. Ian Wheal to accept his EYHS Certificate of Appreciation Award dated November 2021 we decided to honour Ian with his Award and a Pot Luck Party held at the perfect location, 100 Bain Ave. from 3 pm to 6 pm. Mr. Wheal was quite excited during this celebration about this honour as he accepted his EYHS Certificate of Appreciation Award from East York Historical Society President Pancheta Barnett. The setting was perfect, the food was delicious,

all in attendance enjoyed a great time of also showing Mr. Wheal we truly care about him. Thank you again Mr. Wheal for your contributions all these years to EYHS. In attendance to see Mr. Wheal receive his awards were: (Linda K; Floyd R; Paul O; John W. Helen M; Margaret McR; Pat B; Ed. F; Brian Mac; Jenny S.) Justin VD. EYHS Secretary arrived after the party due to his Uber missed directions to the address. Many thanks to all who washed dishes, cleaned up the Community Centre at 100 Bain. Speeches made by Barnett, Mills, Freeman and Wheal.



Above photo of Ian Wheal pictured in 2015 Special Feature in EY Inklings Newsletter of East York Historical Society, May issue.



Ian on Aug. 21, 2023 being awarded his EYHS Certificate of Appreciation 2021 from EYHS President Pancheta Barnett.



Photo credits Linda Klevnick

Here, Helen Mills congratulated Mr. Wheal with a certificate of thanks from TFN for his contribution. Ian has lead over 250 walking Tours in Toronto on his well-versed topics. Ian attended EYHS Sept 26, 2023, Tuesday evening meeting.



EYHS Pres. P.Barnett & Helen Mills of TFN. Photo credits John Wilson

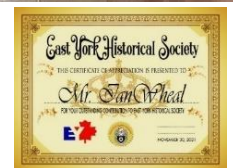
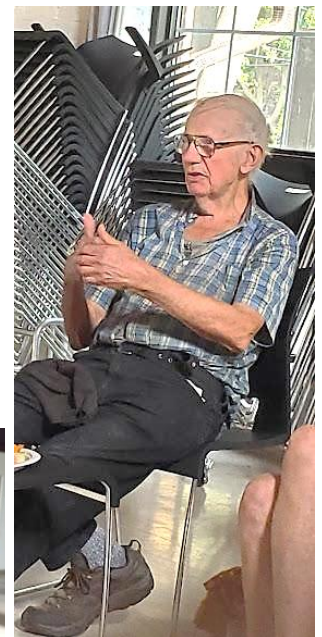


MR. IAN WHEAL
Photo Credit Ed Freeman



Party Tables in honour of Ian Wheal August 21, 2023

Thanks to the Community Centre!



Ian heard about EYHS in the 80's and decided to become a member in 1995. As an HISTORICAL RESEARCHER he has served in the following places: 1978 Thorncliffe Park Library and 1979 Eleanor Darke at Todmorden Mills His main interest is Historical Geography includes these topics: Roads, Rivers, Creeks, Wetland, Wharves, Piers, Rails, Streetcars...



TRENDING NOW



AGNES MACPHAIL AWARDS 2024

Nominations are now being accepted for the recipient of the 2024 Agnes Macphail Award. Background on the Agnes Macphail Award and the nomination form are available on the City of Toronto's [website](#). The deadline for receipt of nominations is Friday, January 12, 2024.

<https://www.toronto.ca/cii/government/awards-tributes/awards/agnes-macphail-award/>



Spring Festival/
Lunar/Chinese New Year
Feb 10, 2024
Year of the Dragon



Congratulations to **MR. ADAM BUNCH** who was the recipient of the Governor General's History Award, presented to him by Governor General Mary Simon herself, in Ottawa, Ontario, November 22, 2023.

<https://www.canadahistory.ca/explore/awards/2023-governor-general-s-history-award-recipients>

Adam Bunch was EYHS speaker for the March 28, 2023 evening meeting.



East York Historical Society RECYCLES!



Remember to Recycle your EYHS Newsletters by sharing them as invitations with the community,

WILLIE O'REE CM ONB, Canada's first "Black" hockey player in the NHL & HOF'er officially honoured by Canada Post with his very own stamp Mon, Oct. 30, 2023. <https://www.nhl.com/news/willie-o-ree-commemorative-postage-stamp-unveiled>

The Carnegie Initiative Special Screening 'Beyond Their Years' October 26, 2023 <https://carnegieinitiative.com/photo-gallery-beyond-their-years-screening-oct-26-2023/>



MPP MARY-MARGARET MCMAHON PRESENTS

WE SAVED THE GREEN PARTY

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~~SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2023 11 A.M.~~
~~EAST LYNN PARK~~
1949 Danforth Ave, Toronto, ON



ELEANOR ROSALYNN CARTER (nee Smith), American, born Aug 18, 1927 – Nov 19, 2023 served as first lady of the United States from 1977 to 1981 as the wife of President Jimmy Carter. Rosalynn was also a writer and an activist. Throughout her decades of public service, she was perhaps best known for being a leading advocate for women's rights and mental health. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rosalynn_Carter

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EYHS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - AGENDA 2023

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY

NOTICE OF THE 43rd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
TUESDAY EVENING, OF 28TH NOVEMBER, 2023 @ 7:30 PM
EYHS ZOOM VIRTUAL HYBRID MEETING WITH TELEPHONE ACCESS & IN-PERSON

AGENDA

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER...(MOMENT'S SILENCE: OF OUR MEMBERS WHO COULD NOT BE WITH US TONIGHT-FOLLOWED BY THE READING OF THE LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TEXT).
2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 2022 OF THE 42nd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (PG 7)
3. ACCEPTANCE OF ANNUAL REPORT (PAGES 7 & 8) AND FINANCIAL REPORT (PAGE 9)
4. APPOINTMENT OF FINANCIAL REVIEWER - MRS. LORNA KRAWCHUK
5. ELECTIONS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
6. THE FOLLOWING SLATE IS RECOMMENDED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

PRESIDENT:	PANCHETA (PAT) BARNETT
VICE-PRESIDENT:	RON F. BROWN
7. TWO EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AT LARGE: TBA FOR ELECTIONS OF 3 MORE DIRECTORS
RHONDA MCKENZIE
JOANNE VALLIERE
8. THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS ARE TO BE APPOINTED BY EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

SECRETARY:	JUSTIN VAN DETTE
TREASURER:	VAL DODGE
9. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ADJOURNED
10. RETURN TO GENERAL MEETING
11. PRESIDENT WELCOME CONTD.../EYHS CONDUCT REPORT BY DIR. RHONDA MCKENZIE
12. WELCOME EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY 43rd AGM PRESENTER:
MR. MARK MALONEY ON TOPIC: "TORONTO MAYORS"

East York Historical Society Executive Board of Directors need 3 new additional Directors to join our Team. For further information please call the Secretary Justin Van Dette 416-697-5832 or President Pancheta Barnett at 416-801-6274.

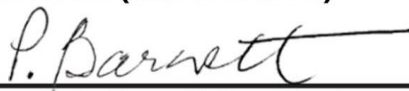


EYHS 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

East York Historical Society Financial Statement 2021-10-01 through 2022-09-30

	2023	2022
Income		
Donations		
Donations (Individuals)	\$ 390.70	\$ 445.00
Donations (Organizations)	\$ -	\$ -
Total Donations	\$ 390.70	\$ 445.00
Investments		
Bank Interest	\$ 6.03	\$ 1.98
Total Investments	\$ 6.03	\$ 1.98
Program Income		
Membership Dues	\$ 945.00	\$ 1,240.00
Total Program Income	\$ 945.00	\$ 1,240.00
Total Income	\$ 1,341.73	\$ 1,686.98
Expenses		
Administration		
Bank Fees	\$ 8.00	\$ 19.00
Gifts	\$ 27.35	\$ 231.40
Other admin	\$ -	\$ -
Total Administration	\$ 35.35	\$ 250.40
Program Expenses		
Membership Dues	\$ 65.00	\$ 65.00
Newsletter Printing & Expenses	\$ 72.55	\$ 129.95
Outreach	\$ 697.65	\$ 628.76
Other Costs	\$ 159.55	\$ 58.74
Total Program Expenses	\$ 994.75	\$ 882.45
Total Expense	\$ 1,030.10	\$ 1,132.85
Net Income	\$ 311.63	\$ 554.13

Net worth (end of previous Fiscal Year)	\$ 11,611.06	\$ 11,056.93
Net change in finances	\$ 311.63	\$ 554.13
Net worth (end of this FY)	\$ 11,922.69	\$ 11,611.06


Pancheta Barnett, President


Val Dodge, Treasurer

I have reviewed the income and expense records, bank statements, and cheque disbursements of the East York Historical Society and find this financial statement to be accurate.


Lorna Krawchuk, Financial Reviewer

November 15, 2023
Date



EYHS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

East York Historical Society

Minutes of the 42nd Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, November 29, 2022

7:30 PM – S. Walter Stewart Library | John S. Ridout Auditorium

Attendance: 40 members in attendance

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM with Pat Barnett, President of the East York Historical Society, presiding as Chair. Councillor Brad Bradford and Peter Tabuns, MPP for Toronto-Danforth were in attendance.

Land Acknowledgement was read out

Opening Remarks: The President welcomed everyone in attendance and was pleased that our AGM was conducted in person. The President asked for a moment of silence to remember the loss of our loved ones and friends, which was followed by asking Peter Tabuns, MPP – Toronto-Danforth – to approach the podium and Chair the Elections and the AGM agenda of the meeting

Adoption of Minutes: An error was made in the January 2022 minutes as it showed the incorrect minutes. The correct version from the last AGM held on November 30, 2021 was shown on the screen. The Secretary, Justin Van Dette, emailed out the correct minutes to the members earlier in the day on November 29, 2022. MOTION to Adopt the Minutes from the previous AGM on November 30, 2021 – moved by Joanne Valliere; seconded by Ron Brown – ADOPTED

Annual Report: MOTION to Accept the Annual Report as presented in the November 2022 edition of the East York Inklings, moved by Ron Brown; seconded by Joanne Valliere – ADOPTED

Financial Report and Reviewer: In the absence of the Financial Reviewer, Lorna Krawchuk, it was noted that she reviewed the Financial Report, which was tabled for adoption in the November 2022 edition of the East York Inklings. MOTION to Adoption the Financial Report, moved by Ron Brown; seconded by Paula Davies – ADOPTED

Election of Officers: The Chair presented the following individuals who had put forward their names for the 2022-2023 East York Historical Society Executive Board of Directors.

President:	Pancheta (Pat) Barnett
Vice President:	Ron Brown
Director:	Rhonda McKenzie
Director:	Joanne Valliere

The following individuals were appointed by the East York Historical Society Executive Board of Directors:

Secretary:	Justin Van Dette
Treasurer:	Val Dodge

No further nominations were put forward. MOTION: to receive and elect the slate as presented at the Annual General Meeting as noted above. Moved by Ron Brown; seconded by Joanne Valliere – APPROVED

Adjournment: MOTION to adjourn 42nd Annual General Meeting of the East York Historical Society at 7:45 PM. APPROVED and the Chair returned to the General Meeting

Minutes taken by Justin Van Dette, Secretary – November 29, 2022





East York Historical Society

Minutes of the Special General Meeting held on October 17, 2022

Tuesday, November 29, 2022 7:30 PM – S. Walter Stewart Library | John S. Ridout Auditorium

At 7:55 PM – Pat Barnett President of the East York Historical Society, requested Justin Van Dette, Secretary of the East

York Historical Society, approach the podium to present the minutes from the Special General Meeting held on October 17, 2022 when current, active members met by zoom to consider amendments to the East York Historical Society constitution and bylaws.

Justin Van Dette provided a brief description of the minutes and what changes were made. Copies of the adopted amendments were presented for adoption.

MOTION to adopt the Minutes from the Special General Meeting of the East York Historical Society held on October 17, 2022 – moved by Kay Horiszny; seconded by Joanne Valliere – ADOPTED



EYHS OUTREACH EVENTS 2022 - 2023

EAST YORK HISTORICAL PRESIDENT P. BARNETT BRIEF Report for year 2022 - 2023:

- 2022...Zoom Virtual with telephone Access 5 meetings and in-person hybrid only meeting until further notice.
- Nov. 30-AGM- 2022 -40; *Jan. 25 - 46; Mar. 29-35 May 31 - 57; Sept.27 - 40 = Total: 218
- 2023...Zoom Virtual with telephone Access 5 evening meetings and in-person hybrid meeting until further notice.
- Nov. 29 -52 (2022 AGM); Jan.31, 50; Mar. 28-49; May 30-58; Sept. 26-45; =Total: 254
- Donated thank you gifts to EYHS Executive Board of Directors in December 2022
Pick-Up at Sobey's at 1015 Broadview Avenue, East York. Close to DQ.
- Work closely throughout the year with the Society's Executive Board of Directors regarding the ongoing safe and enjoyable functions of EYHS
- Continue volunteer work alongside/including East York Historical Society's Mission Statement (see back page of East York Inklings Newsletter of EYHS.
- Ensure The Land Acknowledgement Text for East York Historical Society is read at all our meetings after TPL has read theirs. followed by a moment of silence regarding our members absent & alone, ill and or experiencing with hard times.
- Presided at all Executive Board of Directors evening meetings (7 in total) 2 of those meetings regarding TPLB -CPA
- Remembrance Day Ceremony Nov. 11, 2022 participated & Laid EYHS wreath at EYCC Cenotaph.
- East York Historical Society Certificate of Appreciation Awarded to Ms. Margaret McRae former President of the Society. (6th Year of Award)
- Asst. Coordinators of this award: President P.Barnett >Certificate info Dir. R. McKenzie asst. printed info onto certificate, V-P., R. F. Brown framed certificate and meet up with President to add both our signatures onto certificate.
- Refreshments donated by Serano and Starbucks Wicksteed Avenue and the Barnett family
- Nov. 2022 - Attended Leaside Hall of Fame Ceremony (ticket compliment of my Leaside Lawn Bowling Club).
- 42nd AGM - Nov. 29, 2022; attended and Presided at both during the AGM and the General evening meeting.

EAST YORK HISTORICAL PRESIDENT P. BARNETT BRIEF Report for year 2022 – 2023 cont...

- January 15, 2023 attended MP. Rob Oliphant and MPP. Stephanie Bowman's New Year's Levee and Queen Jubilee Awards Toronto Botanical Gardens
- Prepared and published 5 E.Y. Inklings Newsletter of East York Historical Society with Director Rhonda McKenzie - Layout Asst. also asst with acceptable info on EYHS Facebook Page, Website and on X (Twitter).
- Brought in 3 new members to the Society in January 2023. Presenters: Dr. C. L. Slaney & Ms Dorothy C. Abbott, Mary-Margaret McMahon
- Co ordinate and chaired meeting with 6 Presenters on historic topics for 5 evening meetings in 2023 (2 Presenters for January's Black History Celebration)
- Hand Delivered 6 EY. Inklings to members w/o computer access/shut – in East York residences.
- March 19, 2023 at 2pm attended and Displayed EYHS Archives at Agnes Macphail's annual ceremony at East York Civic Centre
- May 27 participated in Coordinating R.H. McGregor's 100th Celebration a great and excellent turn out event.
- May 27 and 28 pick up and returned EYHS archive materials from K. Horiszny's residence. Displayed at Doors Open Todmorden Mills Heritage Site and Arts Centre. Many thanks for their continued support set-up of Tent, Tables and Chairs; overnight storage of Archives and for pull down of tent at the end of EYHS' exhibit. Returned Archive materials to Kay Horiszny's home.
- May 30, 2023 Presided over East York Historical Society hosts Leaside 110 Anniversary Celebration.
- June 12, 2023 Arranged the removal of EYHS Archival Materials with the help of friends and family member from former Member; Director, Secretary, Treasurer and Refreshments (coordinator >over 23 years) residence 10 Mckayfield to temporary free storage in East York. Kay Horiszny hse was sold to neighbour at 7 Mckayfield. Kay now joyfully resides in Etobicoke.
- I continue with ongoing search in East York for a permanent place to exhibit &/store the Society's Archive Materials.
- July 1 -East York Canada Day celebration ensured the Society's fee to participate in and display throughout the day; help to set up loaned Tent from Todmorden Mills (VP. Ron Brown picked up and secured tent overnight at his home and returned at end of celebration in Stan Wadlow Park; he returned tent to Todmorden Mills).
- I returned Archives to my storage. Prior to this I walked in the parade and asst at EYHS Archive Display table. Stayed and watched the Annual Fireworks in Stan Wadlow Park.
- July 20, 2023 attended the funeral of the late and former City Councillor of Toronto Beverley Salmon
- August Re: Emancipation Day: Upon request from President to exhibit Exploring Emancipation at Todmorden Mills Heritage Site and Arts Centre from August 1 – 30 then extended to September 15, 2023.
- September 15 Ontario Science Centre request moved display to Ontario Science Centre for exhibit on September 16. All artifacts and mirrors exhibited in Exploring Emancipation is owned/personal collection by President P. Barnett
- Many thanks to Dir. R. McKenzie for help with installation all day of August 1, 2023. To the management and staff of Todmorden Mills and Ontario Science Centre for their help in ensuring all went smooth and successful. To all the visitors including some members of EYHS, thank you.
- August - attended OBHS Emancipation Celebration at Fort York
- September 16, 2023, Exploring Emancipation is on display/exhibit at Ontario Science Centre.
- East York Historical Society ad posting on Leaside Memorial Gardens Billboard at n/c to the Society.
- Received and replied to e-mails, telephone calls and Facebook inquiries of historical subject
- Sept 28 Attend meeting with our Secty re EYHS TPLB-CPA

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY VICE PRESIDENT RON BROWN, REPORT 2022 – 2023

- Nov 11, 2022 participated in EYHS Remembrance Day wreath laying at East York cenotaph
- Jan 10, 2023 participated in EYHS Board meeting via Zoom,
- March 1 attended EYHS Board meeting
- Jan 31, 2023 attended EYHS Celebrating Black History Canada celebration
- Attends EYHS regular evening general meetings
- May 27, 2023 participated in EYHS display at Doors Open at Todmorden
- July 1, 2023 assisted at EYHS Canada Day Archive Display table
- Sep 26, 2023 presented my slide show on Toronto's Lost Village to the meeting of the EYHS
- August 2023 attended EYHS Exploring Emancipation Month Exhibit at Todmorden Mills

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY SECRETARY J.VAN DETTE Report for 2022 - 2023

- Prepared and had printed a new website sticker for the East York Historical Society community banner.
- Adopted the revised constitution and bylaws at the November 2022 EYHS 42nd AGM
- Ran the refreshments table and brought in a coffee maker for EYHS meetings November 2022 ongoing
- Recruited one new member
- Taking the Minutes of the Board Meetings held at the November 2022 AGM and the Executive Board of Directors Meetings held in January, March, June to August 2023
- Coordinated EYHS Executive Board of Directors Meeting virtually in January, March and June and the in-person meetings that were held in August (Sophie's Sports Bar)
- Assisted at EYHS Archive Table at Doors Open at Todmorden Mills and EYHS Archive Table Canada Day
- Attended late after Ian Wheal's presentation of his 2021 Certificate of Appreciation Award and Potluck Party on August 21, 2023
- Worked with the President and secured Mark Maloney (a friend and author) as a speaker for the November 2023 AGM
- Referred to EYHS President, Mr. Paul Sweeney who will do a presentation on his book 'Elvis' sometime in 2024
- Promoted EYHS at a Back to School Supply Bag event held at Parma Court on my behalf. 50 EYHS brochures were donated by EYHS President and inserted into all bags
- Attended/Supported EYHS President PBarnett with an in-person meeting to discuss the relationship between EYHS and TPLB-CPA

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY TREASURER VAL DODGE Report for 2022 - 2023

EYHS 2022 -2023 Financial Statement by Treasurer Val Dodge

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD OF DIR. RHONDA McKENZIE Report for 2022 - 2023

- Website ongoing maintenance, updating
- Supported President PBarnett with postings
- EYHS Social media pages Facebook posting and moderation and supporting President PBarnett with posting and X (Twitter) posting
- EY Inklings Newsletter supporting President PBarnett with layout
- Attended, contributed to and voted in all Board of Directors' meetings
- Attended all 5 EYHS evening general meetings
- Co-facilitated Hybrid Zoom aspect of evening general meetings with Director JValliere
- Pamphlet/Brochure updated, revised
- Attended funeral of former Toronto City Councillor Beverley Salmon
- Supported President PBarnett with installation of Exploring Emancipation Exhibition at Todmorden Mills, late July – Aug 1, 2023 (set up, flyer and brochures)
- With EYHS President PBarnett attended OBHS Emancipation Celebration at Fort York Aug 2023
- EY Canada Day July 1, Assisted in set up of EYHS tent/booth, Walked in Parade and supported all day at EYHS booth/tent, assisted in take down of tent (in prep for VP Rbrown to return it to Todmorden Mills), Stayed for Annual Fireworks
- Read/Scrutinized both versions of TPLB CPA several times and made a number of notes
- Waited on standby during the meeting with TPLB administrators and Board of Directors Sept 28, 2023 @ 1PM EST in case I could attend by phone/virtually to ask questions re: CPA
- Helped with EYHS Certificate of Appreciation
- Working on Code of Conduct document

EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY BOARD OF DIR. JOANNE VALLIERE Report for 2022 - 2023

- November- attended OHS virtual annual general meeting
- November 11, 2022- attended Remembrance Day Ceremony at EY Civic Centre & took photos for EYHS.
- November 29, 2022 - attended in person 42nd AGM, helped with set up, clean up and take down; accepted membership fees until Treasurer arrived, and provided tech support for virtual attendees
- January 10, 2023– attended and participated in Board of Directors meeting
- January 31, 2023 attended in person evening general meeting, set up and take down, virtual support, provided and presented flowers for 2 presenters. Picked up juice, water and flowers for event. (items billed EYHS/reimbursed)
- March 1, 2023- attended Executive Board meeting
- March 19, 2023- attended Agnes Macphail Award Ceremony. Tended to EYHS Archive Display table.
- March 28, 2023- attended general evening meeting, helped with set up and clean up. Provided virtual support. Picked up flowers for the evening general meeting. Tended to refreshment table.
- May 30, 2023 – attended evening general meeting, helped with set up and clean up. Provided virtual support. Donated flowers for the 3 speakers. Tended to Treasurer's table while the Treasurer was away
- August 29, 2023 – attended East York Historical Society Executive Board of Directors Meeting at Sophie's
- September 13, 2023- attended the EYHS Exploring Emancipation Exhibit at Todmorden Mills Heritage Site and Arts Centre.
- September 26, 2023 East York Historical Society evening general Meeting – helped with set up, tech support

Outreach Report 2022 – 2023 prepared and submitted for publication October 2023 by EYHS President PBarnett and EYHS 2022 – 2023 Financial Report by Treasurer Val Dodge.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & THANK YOU

- **President & CEO**
Pancheta (Pat) Barnett (East York Historical Society Mission, Archives, Program, Room Booking, Interviews, Promotions, Editor & Publisher of EY Inklings Newsletter of EYHS, Outreach for Special Events, Hospitality, EYHS Annual Report, Media, Membership, Speakers, Advocate...)
- **EYHS Executive Board of Directors**
Vice President Ron F. Brown
Treasurer Val Dodge
Secretary Justin Van Dette
Directors Rhonda McKenzie, Joanne Valliere
Financial Reviewer Lorna Krawchuk
- **Co-Sponsors of EYHS**
- Toronto Public Library (S. Walter Stewart Branch) and East York Historical Society
Also to Mrs. Alyson Gloin and Staff
- **Assistant Volunteers**
- Kay Horiszny (**EYHS Archives and Hospitality**).
- **Facebook Admin**
Pancheta Barnett, Rhonda McKenzie
- Rhonda Barnett-McKenzie (Asst. EY Inklings Layout work closely with President).
- **Todmorden Mills** for their invite to EYHS to exhibit Exploring Emancipation Aug. 1 – 31 and extend to Sept 15, 2023. EYHS President Pat Displays personal Collection of Artifacts with Mirrors etc
- **Ontario Science Centre** request Exploring Emancipation exhibit “The Joys of Black Excellence” Sept 16, 2023
- To all East York Historical Society Members, Supporters, Donors, Visitors; our Presenters and Speakers of 2022 - 2023.
- **Refreshment Donors** Serano, McDonalds, Starbucks and The Barnett Family, In House Refreshments: Secretary Justin Van Dette, Ron Brown and Joanne Valliere
- **All positions are on a voluntary basis** in service to East York Historical Society and members are not paid for outreach presentations but honorariums are welcomed to be received for EYHS

INTRODUCTION SUMMARY of "THE BIRTH OF EAST YORK" 1924 – 2024

Further information regarding January 1, 2024 TBA



"East York was incorporated as a direct result of the incorporation of North York 2 years earlier. That resulted in the remainder of York Township being split into two entirely separate parts.

In order to travel from one part to the other it was necessary to go through at least one other separately incorporated municipality. So, after examining the options the York Township Council petitioned the Provincial government asking it to incorporate the eastern part of the Township as a separate municipality.

The province granted the request but with the condition that a majority of the residents vote in favour of it.

The Provincial government of the day, the United Farmers of Ontario, believed in grassroots

democracy unlike the present governments, at all levels, that tell us rather than ask us what to do. In this case the outcome of the vote was by no means certain. A few years earlier the businesspeople of eastern York Township had petitioned the now greatly expanded City of Toronto to annex them into the City and Toronto City Council not only agreed but put the bureaucratic wheels in motion to do just that. But that was 1913, the next year WWI broke out and that put the plan on the back burner never to surface again until the end of WWII.

The vote to incorporate the Township of East York passed by a wide margin. So, on January 1, 1924, the Township of East York was born".

Part of an article by the author Hon. Alan Redway

Submitted by Pancheta Barnett



MY SPECIAL THANKS TO EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESIDENT PAT

Received evening of November 28, 2023

"Pat, I will do that (renew my EYHS membership), thanks for letting me know. What you do is so important to help us learn from the past, good or bad, and try and do better in the future. There are no magic formulas, just pragmatic and civilized thinking and action, with good common sense, and only a good realization, that only a limited amount of money is available, to be spent wisely, and to do our best for the good and welfare of all. A good understanding of the history of the world, and most importantly where we live, enables us to try really hard and in some small way, to make things better for all. Good organizations, like yours, make a valuable contribution. Take care and keep up the good work. Best wishes, Michael.

Thank You!



KAY HORISZNY

East York Historical Society Life Member. This note in part appeared in a featured article in May 27, 2017 in East York Inklings Newsletter of East York Historical Society...

Kay moved to East York in 1983. She always had an interest in history of all kinds. She and

hundreds of other people followed Donald Jones, a Toronto Star Newspaper journalist, on walking tours of various parts of Toronto in the 1970's and 1980's. Kay's volunteering history is: 9 years as historical interpreter, Dressed in costume at Toronto's First Post Office operated by the Town of York Historical Society. 8 years at the Cabbagetown Regent Park Museum located at Riverdale Farm. She talked about Toronto's history and the Reliable Shoe Repair exhibit, of her father's business. 25+ years with East York Historical Society to date, and served 23 years as refreshment convenor.

10+ years on the Board of Directors as Secretary, Director and Treasurer and now still continuing as refreshment convenor "as long as her legs hold out". Outreach included Canada Day events. In June of 2023 Kay moved to Etobicoke. Her house at 10 Mckayfield Road was sold to a neighbour at 7 Mckayfield Road...I keep in touch with Kay by telephone. Thanks for storing our EYHS archives. Thank you Kay for your continued commitment and devotion to EYHS in the past and to the present years. I hope you will be able to visit us on one or more of EYHS evening general meetings soon. Photo above taken while in her office. Here is a brief work history of commitment and dedication about Kay: For 46 years Kay worked for Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company, part of the Kemper group of companies. Kemper was an American based company located in Chicago. Kay's first pay cheque was \$32.50 for a week's work. She had many positions over the years, typist in the typing pool, Personal Lines Underwriter, Supervisor...

Published by EYHS President P. Barnett



ABOUT EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY MISSION

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 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.

Pat Barnett is the Author, Editor, Writer & Publisher of East York Inklings Newsletter of East York Historical Society since Jan. 2014

INTERESTED IN EAST YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY, CONTACT US



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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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