



## June 2024 Newsletter

Monday, June 3, 2024

I took a short drive around yesterday morning very early. It was a great reminder of what an exceptional place we are privileged to live in. You might be surprised at how many people are out and about at six.

Of course, I chuckle every time that I go by 'The Post' on Canboro. I see that it has flowers at the base and a hanging pot. All that is missing is a reprise of Bill Lamb's commentary that we enjoyed so much.

Taking my coffee, I sometimes like to sit next to the cenotaph at the Old Town Hall and watch the Town wake up. The overhanging trees are almost like a cathedral. Imagine those young men facing the horrors of the Western Front. I think that I can hear the barracks room screen door slam as everybody rushes out for breakfast.

**Our next meeting features a visit and guided tour of the fully restored Beaverdams Church in Thorold, Marlatt's Road, Thorold, Ontario, Saturday, June 8, 2024, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm. Please note the corrected date.**

**Our visit will be a great opportunity to honour and appreciate the work of the dedicated volunteers who made this possible.**

### Upcoming Meetings

**Temperance and Taverns in Pelham Township, Saturday, September 21, 2024, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm.**

Pelham Historical Society members Geoff Bowden and Graham Segger will co-present on the closely related topics of the Taverns and the Temperance Movement in early Pelham Township. Could another publication be in the works?

**Exploring Black History in Lincoln & Welland County, Saturday, October 19, 2024, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm.**

Rochelle Bush, Resident Historian of the Salem Chapel, BME Church and Harriet Tubman Underground Railway National Historic Sites will speak to us about early Black History in Lincoln and Welland Counties.

**Annual General Meeting and Faces of Pelham before WW2, and Saturday, November 23, 2024, 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm.**

A presentation of videos assembled by Carolyn Botari; Collections Coordinator of the Pelham Historical Society will follow our Annual General Meeting. One of the videos documents the area near the corner of Pelham Street and Highway #20 in August 1946 and the other is a series of short clips filmed in 1939.

Respectfully submitted by Wayne Olson