

# Bailey's Bulletin

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Our Society's logo was designed by Jim Elliott, a retired graphic artist and charter member of the HMHS. We are proud to display this logo on the masthead

Bailey's Bulletin is named in honour of the Reverend Melville T. Bailey, who was a proud Mountain resident and founder of the HMHS.

Bailey's Bulletin is published three times per year.



Pat Saunders (centre)
pictured with Sophia
Aggelonitis, Minister
Responsible for Seniors and
the Honourable David C.
Onley, Lieutenant Governor
of Ontario

### Pat Saunders receives Ontario Senior Achiever Award

Each year since 1986 the Province of Ontario has honoured seniors who make outstanding contributions to their communities. Among the 20 recipients this year was Pat Saunders, a past-president and still very active member of the HMHS.

Her nomination cited some of the many groups and activities Pat has been involved with.

From 1997 to 2003 Pat coordinated the volunteers who worked under the supervising police officers manning the new Community Policing Centres. The results were so positive that it became a paid position.

Since 2000 she has been a volunteer member of the Advisory

Committee of Claremont House, which houses an alcohol treatment program.

Pat also serves on the Status of Women Committee, the Hamilton Historical Board, and the YWCA Beautiful Women Project.

Her efforts on behalf of the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society include working diligently to preserve Century Manor, the oldest remaining hospital building on the HPH site, having Arcade Park renamed in honour of Rev. Melville T. Bailey and, most recently, leading the fight to retain the name 'Nora Frances Henderson' on the hospital on Concession Street.

Pat Saunders is an inspiration to us all and we congratulate her on this well-deserved award.

## A Message from the President

#### Friends:

My term as President is coming to a close. It has been an interesting experience and has given me many fresh insights into the Hamilton Mountain community and its history and heritage.

If I could propose one thing for the enrichment of our rich Mountain heritage it would be that each of us within the HMHS would find at least one small project that would share the story. It might take the form of putting together more details of a Mountain based family history, organizing and sharing some of our photos of days gone by, or simply talking to a child or young person about what it was like to live on the mountain a few decades ago. Whatever the avenue, may we find personal ways to share our story and the story of our community. In so doing we will all be enriched.

Support your new President with enthusiasm and a cooperative spirit and great things will be accomplished through the HMHS.

Bob Bernhardt, Retiring President.

## HMHS June Outing 2011

This year's outing is a tribute to Thomas B. McQuesten.

The bus will depart from Kingfisher Drive at Upper Wentworth at 8:30 am to begin the journey to the Niagara region via the T.B. McQuesten Bridge. Highlights of the tour will be a visit to the grave of Mr. McQuesten at the Hamilton Cemetery, a tour of the Carillon Tower in Niagara Falls and the dedication of a rose at the Niagara School of Horticulture. Lunch will be eaten at Betty's Restaurant in Chippewa. After a mystery stop on the way back the bus will return to Hamilton Mountain at approximately 5 p.m.

The cost of the trip is \$45 per person, which includes transportation, all entry fees and lunch.

Tickets may be purchased at the regular meeting of the HMHS or by contacting Tom Allan at thomaseallan@shaw.ca.

How many children did Sir Isaac Buchanan and his wife Agnes have? (answer on back page)

# Programme for 2011

Meetings, unless otherwise noted, are held at Olivet United Church, 40 Empress Avenue on the third Thursday of January, March, May, September and November. Occasionally special meetings are arranged in buildings of historical interest. All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. and visitors are most welcome.

#### JANUARY 20, 2011 AUCHMAR: THE MOUNTAIN'S HIDDEN GEM

Learn more about Auchmar, that mysterious building at the corner of West 5th and Fennell, which has been dubbed "the Dundurn of the Mountain". Guest speaker for the evening will be Bill King.

#### MARCH 17, 2011 HAMILTON STREET RAILWAY

John D. Thompson will chronicle the history of the HSR as we mark the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of streetcar service in Hamilton.

#### MAY 19, 2011 FROM TRAGEDY TO TRIUMPH: THE STORY OF RUBY & TOM

The Hamilton Historical Board has declared 2011 "The Year of McQuesten". Dr. Mary Anderson will speak to the importance of Thomas Baker and his family, including the often overlooked Ruby.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2011 Topic to be announced.

NOVEMBER 17, 2011 LEST WE FORGET

# **HMHS Memberships**

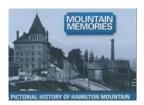
The membership fee for the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society is \$20 for an individual or family. Memberships are annual (January to December). Visit Sandra at the next meeting to purchase or renew your membership - or submit your fee to our mailing address (see back of newsletter).

## Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society Publications

Books, maps and DVDs.....for your collection or as a gift

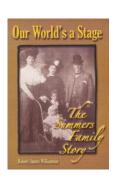
Barton on the Mountain - by Mabel Burkholder - \$10 each Reproduction maps of Wentworth County (1875) - \$10 each Auchmar: the War Years, a DVD - \$15 each

Contact the HMHS to purchase any or all of these items.



In its 4<sup>th</sup> and final printing this lovely hardcover coffee table book sells for \$35 per copy. With over 150 pages and 290 photos this book is a 'must have'. Get yours while the limited supplies last!

Authored by Robert Williamson, a past president of the HMHS, this fascinating book reveals the history of the Summers Family. Hamilton's first family of entertainment is commemorated by Summers Lane, beside Hamilton Place. The book includes many never-beforeseen photographs and sells for \$10 per copy.



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They had eleven children...according to page 122 of Mountain Memories!



## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL

Fee: \$20.00 per calendar year. (January to December)

Hand in OR mail to: Membership Secretary,

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