



Bailey's Bulletin

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

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

Bailey's Bulletin is published three times per year.

Looking back at our Volume 1, Number 1 Newsletter

The Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society's first newsletter was dated November 1997 and contained the following message from our founder for whom the Bailey's Bulletin is now named:

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Few people realize the depth to the history to be found in the Hamilton Mountain. In many cases, little is known beyond our own memory. Our members have often commented: "I didn't know that." As a group, we have just celebrated our first year and have enjoyed some very stimulating talks and slide shows.

One enterprising member has drawn up a list of over 60 topics he would like to hear more about. I guess with such an optimistic outlook, we will be around for a long time.

The society enjoys a membership of 32 and generally has 35 members and guests at its meetings. Special meetings like the tour of Auchmar drew 63 people. Our bank balance is healthy for a young society and with a varied programme we look forward to some very interesting meetings in 1988.

November, 1997

Mel Bailey

We have indeed been around for a long time, over 20 years, and have now returned back to The South Gate Church where our first meeting was held on November 27, 1996.

The Society currently has 44 members and membership is still \$20 per year as it was back in 1997.

If any enterprising members would like to submit a new list of topics you would like to see covered for future talks please email us or talk to a member of the executive at our meetings.

Carving Home: The Chedoke Collection of Inuit Art

From 1953 to 1963 the Mountain Sanatorium cared for over 1200 patients from the Eastern Arctic suffering with tuberculosis. While undergoing treatment, the Inuit attended Occupational Therapy programmes which included making stone carvings and sewing traditional dolls.

A collection of carvings and dolls was kept on display at Chedoke Hospital but with the closing of the site by Hamilton Health Sciences the collection needed a new home. Fortunately a collector was found to purchase and then donate the entire collection to the Art Gallery of Hamilton.

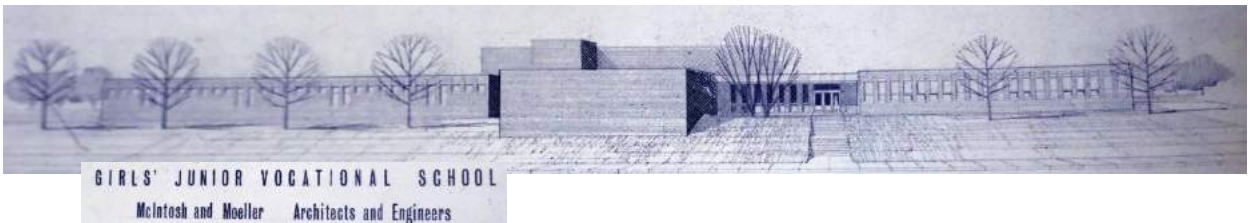
Pieces from the collection have been cleaned and restored and are currently on exhibit at the Art Gallery of Hamilton until January 14, 2018. Admission is free on the first Friday of every month from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.



For more information about the history of the Mountain Sanatorium and Chedoke Hospital, the Society has copies of the book Chedoke: More than a Sanatorium for sale for \$35.

Mountain Secondary School closure

Staff and students at the Mountain Secondary School held a Celebration Ceremony and Open House on June 21st to say goodbye after almost 50 years. The building was opened in 1968 as Caledon Girls' Junior Vocational School and the name changed to Mountain Secondary in 1995 when it became co-ed, joining with Crestwood Boys' Vocational School. The 7.5 acre site on Caledon Ave. has been declared surplus by the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board and will be put up for sale.



Nominations for the Executive

The Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society is seeking interested members to volunteer for positions on our executive for the 2018-2019 year. The executive members meet five or six times per year to help plan our programs and deal with other business. For more information please contact Tom Allan, Nomination Chair, (tom.allan@bell.net or 905-575-9326) or speak to any member of the executive at our November meeting.

Upcoming Programme Dates

Meetings of the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society, unless otherwise noted, are held 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 pm and visitors are most welcome.

NOV 16, 2017 Vimy 100, Dieppe 75 and the RHLI

In honour of Remembrance Day, Robin McKee, who recently visited Europe on a tour with the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry will present a talk on the 100th anniversary of the Battle of Vimy Ridge and the 75th anniversary of the Dieppe Raid.



JAN 18, 2018 Annual General Meeting, Speaker to be confirmed

Please note change of location:

The South Gate Presbyterian Church
120 Clarendon Ave.

Rear entrance door and parking lot can be accessed
from Terrace Dr.

Test your “Mountain Memories”

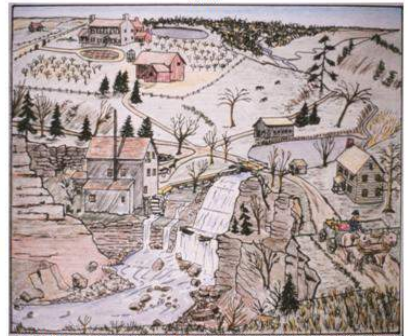
Robert Williamson’s monthly columns have appeared in the Mountain News for the past four years educating the public about Mountain history and promoting our meetings. Bob is producing a coil-bound collection of his columns with colour photos and sketches which we hope to have available for sale at our November meeting just in time for the gift-giving season.

What is the name of the column in the Mountain News?

- a) It Happened on the Mountain
- b) Dusty Corners
- c) Mountain Memories

A COLLECTION OF HISTORICAL STORIES AND EVENTS

2017



MOUNT ALBION CIRCA 1880 adapted by R. Williamson from a sketch by John Nugent 1958

BY
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Upcoming Events

Friends of Auchmar Annual General Meeting

Terryberry Library, 100 Mohawk Rd. W.
Thursday Oct. 26 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Admission is FREE and open
to the general public as well
as FOA Members



Limited Seating
RSVP required to
membership@friendsofauchmar.ca

Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association AGM

Nash-Jackson House at Stoney Creek Battlefield
77 King St. W. Stoney Creek

Wed. Oct. 18 at 7 p.m.

Speaker Michael Highgate of
Stewart Memorial Church on the life of Hon.
Lincoln Alexander, Greatest Hamiltonian for 2017



United Empire Loyalist Association

Hamilton Branch meetings, formerly
at Olivet United Church, will now be
held at St. Matthew on-the-Plains
Anglican Church, 126 Plains Rd. E.,
Burlington.



Next dates: Oct 26 & Nov 23 at 7:30 p.m.

www.uel-hamilton.com

Hamilton Mountain Farmers Market

Mountain Park at Viewpoint Ave.

Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

May 20 – Nov 4



Concession Street Fallfest

Saturday October 28th 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Come out and enjoy Fall fun
with all day activities.



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HMHS Memberships

The annual membership fee for the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society is \$20 for an individual or family. The membership year is January to December. Visit Susanne at the next meeting to purchase or renew your membership – or submit your fee to our mailing address. Membership forms are available at:

www.hamiltonheritage.ca.

Answer c) Mountain Memories. This is also the name of our hardcover book on Mountain history. It Happened on the Mountain was the name of Mel Bailey's column in the Mountain News which was reprinted as a publication last year by the Society. Dusty Corners was the name of the late Colwyn Beynon's column in the Mountain News.