



Through The Windshield

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Museum News



We love this photo of Clarence Ware in his 1925 LaFrance fire truck.

The Relay for Life walk for cancer was held in the village on Friday and Saturday, June 10 and 11. In spite of a few raindrops early on Friday evening, the event raised almost \$160,000 for cancer research. In addition, the field was left in much better shape this year by the Canadian Cancer people. Kim, Harry and Mickey met with the organizers of this event and reached an agreement on the grounds being left in good shape after its use. In addition, our costs to

host the event will be covered by the Canadian Cancer Society this year.

The Festival of Cars show was held on Sunday, June 12, and the weather could not have been nicer. It was partly sunny with a high temperature of about 70°F at best. Nice and cool. Our theme for the show was a conscious effort to differentiate ourselves from the other traditional car shows held in the area. It turned out to be a good decision. We discontinued the labour intensive goody bags and dash and winner's plaques and replaced them with eight \$50 registered car show owners' drawings and a \$2 food coupon. Two \$100 cash awards went to Best in Class and Best in Show and the four people who won a \$50 runner-up award also received a three volume set of Bill Vance's Reflections on Automotive (continued on page 2)

New Faces

We are excited to introduce some new people to our CTMHV crew:

Hannah Robinet: A warm and fuzzy welcome back to Hannah, who returns from her 2nd year of university music studies to give tours this summer.

Jessica Foott: Jessica is new to the mu-

seum this year. She's an anthropology and history major at Wilfrid Laurier University. Jessica has quickly learned the tour information and was christened with Waterfest in her second week, so we think she can handle whatever this summer brings. (continued on page 4)

Upcoming Events

July

Note: Membership dues are still needed from those who have not yet paid. Please call Don Appleyard, Membership Secretary, at 519-979-2739

12th: Board Meeting, 7pm

13th: General Meeting, 7:30pm. Special guest speaker, William Holzel. See back page for details.

17th: British Car Show

Special Guest

Special Musical Guests

Summer intern, Hannah Robinet played with her grandfather's band, Villa Nova, at our Cruise-In on the evening of June 30th. Snazzy jazz from one of our own!

August

9th: Board Meeting, 7pm

10th: General Meeting, 7:30pm

12th-14th: Military Muster. This is one of our biggest events. Do try to attend!

Museum News, continued

History." Everyone seemed to like this.

We had three special vehicles running about the show: Harry Bergman's 1926



Above: Our 1922 Marmon is a show-stopper.

Below: Harry driving our 1946 Town and Country



Star, Dave Tanner's donated Model T Depot Hack and the museum's 1920 Dodge Brothers sedan. We earned about \$150 with these rides and had a chance to exercise the cars along with offering something special to our guests. The Pass-In-Review displayed 14 great vehicles

and one 22 year old mare; yes, that right, a horse and carriage driven by Sydney, a nice young lady (don't have her last name). Clarence Ware showed off his

American LaFrance fire truck and we had two great hot rods and three WWII military vehicles and one British military motorcycle, among other interesting units. Walt McCall did a great job speaking on the cars as did Len Langlois, who acted as our DJ/MC overall.

The show brought in more revenue than we had planned. The village and 50's Diner food was outstanding and the service has never been better. The staff and volunteers handled the set-up, the food, the check-in, the 50/50 draw and the award allotments beautifully. Special thanks to Frank and Mary Hawkes for dressing the part of our Keystone Cops and to Sue Bell from Belle River who did the \$2 haircuts in the barber shop from 9 a.m. till noon. She was busy the whole time, while Ab Ives kept her company. The kids loved the face painting and we had a large number of vendors who were doing a brisk sale in just about everything. Harry Bergman even found a 1937 Pack-

ard Cabriolet that the staff bought him. Glenn Young sold close to \$500 in museum car books and a few parts.

We sure had a great turnout of volunteers on both the Saturday prep day and the Sunday show. We drew upon about 50 volunteers in general. Kim and Mickey defined each role with volunteer time slots for each, and were able to ensure that the volunteers on show day only worked a few hours (except for those mostly associated with food). Our Diner staff and village kitchen volunteers did yeoman's duty again, as always, but they really did a great job. Our next Festival of Cars show is on Sunday, Sept. 4th. Don't miss it!

Around the village, Ted Summerfield has been busy with tree trimming. Our trees have a great environment for growth, and many of them had branches leaning into the walkways and buildings. That's all been taken care of now.

Bob and Doug had to spend a good deal of time in the ladies' shower room recently, but it's not what you think! The showerheads needed to be repaired for our summer vendors and campers. Mission accomplished.

We have a new exhibit in the museum, thanks to the efforts of Claude and Nicole. They have fashioned a lovely small scale replica of our museum and village that is now on display in the museum lobby. All the buildings are present and painted in their actual colours. The display is currently near the front doors awaiting labeling. With our young summer staff now on duty, we should be seeing the labels done soon.

Festival of Cars Winners

Best in Show—Michael & Lucy Wood, 1963 T-Bird

Best Original—George Holt, 1967 Fairlane GTA

Best Original Runner-Up—Larry Hillman, 1969 Comet GT

Best Original Runner-Up—Rollan

Demers, 1937 Packard

Best Modified—Jim Sprout, 1968 Ford Mustang

Best Modified Runner-Up—Paul & Kathy Dries, 1962 Chevy Pick-Up

Best Modified Runner-Up— Matt Hackey, 1978 Camaro



Waterfest

Waterfest is now long over, but it took place during the final day of May and into the first week of June. As you well remember, May was the soggiest month the village has seen in decades. Jack, Bob and Doug spent the better part of *three* days pumping water from the village grounds so that we might not have giant mud puddles when the kiddies arrived. No matter. They found mud anyway and were delighted to wear it on their shoes and clothes. Three buses actually got stuck in the mud out on the grassy lot!

We hosted hundreds upon hundreds of school children that week in what was summed up as a very successful Waterfest. Day one was hotter than two cats fighting in a wool sock, but the rest of the week was sunny and mild. Our General Store candy shop was loaded with all types of sugary treats in every colour of the rainbow, and as one child breathlessly de-

scribed it, it was "Candy Heaven." We had to station a volunteer at the door just to regulate the number of children in the shop!

Our diner and museum gift shop did a brisk business as well, with curious parents and children wandering in to see what we offer.

Many thanks need to go out to the too-numerous-to-name volunteers who donated so much of their valuable time in making Waterfest a success. Without your help, our small staff could never have pulled off such a feat. Bob and Wendy Caldwell deserve a special thanks for keeping our public bathrooms clean and refreshed every single day after hundreds of people used them multiple times. Imagine how unpleasant a job that can be! They are our unsung heroes, for sure.



Above: Area students learn about water use in the shower.

Below: Count 'em! As many as 20 buses rolled in daily during Waterfest 2011.

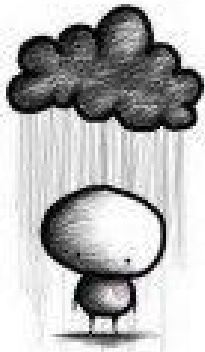


CTMHV has cars, they have...potatoes! O'Leary, PEI is home to Canada's only potato museum.

Youngest Victoria Cross recipient: Newfoundlander and WWI vet, Thomas Ricketts (age 17).

CCM (the world's leading maker of hockey equipment) stands for Canada Cycle and Motor Company.

From the Education Desk



Not again...

May and June are the busiest months of the year for the education program in the village. This year, May was a rather difficult month, with all the rain that poured on us almost daily. There was never a day when we did not have large puddles to avoid, or slippery mud to jump over. Cutting the grass has been a challenge for our grounds-keeping volunteers. They had to wait for the rare dry day and then cut like mad before the rain fell again.

On two days in particular, the clouds lay heavy over us in the morning and down-poured on us just as the children were stepping off the bus. Other days the clouds were merciful and held back the rain until the buses rolled out of our gates.

A very frustrating month for all involved. We just couldn't get a break.

I want to give my biggest heartfelt thanks to our education program volunteers who gave many hours of their time, braving rain, wind, mud and the occasional thunderstorm to help me keep the field trips interesting, active and running smoothly. My gratitude goes to Dan MacIntyre, Bob Arsenault, Jim McTavish, Walter North, Susan Young and Barrie Brooks, who all volunteered this spring season. Without them, I could not possibly conduct these programs day after day. Their spirit and enthusiasm keep me going, and the children and teachers leave here happy. Thank you with all my heart. MaryAnn

In May and June of this year, 1008 school children participated in our education program. That's a lot of butter churned!

Faces, from page 1

Ryan Tromblay: Ryan's face is already familiar because he has been working in our kitchen for about a year. He now joins our office staff as a tour guide.

Barb Markham: Barb is our sunny new cook, who comes to us with many years of restaurant experience. She's already been tantalizing our taste buds with her fresh soups and salads, and is adding new ideas to our daily specials all the time. Try

one of her sandwich wraps! Yummm...

Farewell to:

Cory Rousseau: Cory is now a certified elementary school teacher. Congratulations! We wish him many blessings in his new career. Well done, Cory!

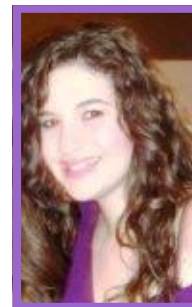
Maribeth Damm: We wish our long-time cook very well in her new job.



Barb Markham, our new cook, is a wee bit camera-shy.



Jessica Foott



Hannah Robinet



Ryan Trombley

A Distant Reader Contributes

A Through the Windshield reader from Banffshire, Scotland wrote me recently and wanted to contribute the following article as an addendum to our last installment on heart disease. Thank you, Mille Bruce!

For both men and women of all ages, heart disease is the number 1 killer. It kills more people than ALL different types of cancer tumors put together. If you're of African descent, or over 65, your risk of heart disease is much higher, however, it is an equal opportunity destroyer. Any individual, anywhere, any time, can have cardiac event.

Myth #1: Only older people need to worry about heart disease.

Bad habits, like inactivity, and boredom-eating often begin in early childhood.

A growing number of doctors are starting to see stroke patients in their 20's and 30's instead of in their 50's and 60's. Appearing fit doesn't make you immune to strokes, though being active and at the right weight helps. You still need to check your cholesterol and blood pressure levels. The lipid profile range is below 200. The best blood pressure level is 120/80.

Myth #2: I'd feel ill if I had high blood pressure or high cholesterol. These are considered 'silent killers' because they have few signs. Of the 30% of older people who have high blood pressure, 1/3 don't know they have it. Fats tend to congregate around our organs, including the heart. A predisposition for this may

run in your family, so be sure to keep regular physical examinations.

Myth #3: Men and women DON'T see the same signs. Males and females CAN have precisely the same signals, but they usually do not. Ladies seem to have the subtler warning signs of heart disease, and males usually experience the kind of strokes you see in the movies. But, BOTH genders can have any warning signs.

The subtler indicators include: jaw aches, nausea, vomiting, shortness of breath and extreme low energy. We have a propensity to explain these signs away. Look at all your symptoms as a group.



Myth #4: So long as my blood glucose level is in check, my Type 2 Diabetes is not a heart threat.

While maintaining your blood sugar level within a regular range (80ml-120ml) keeps you healthier and stronger, just having additional glucose in your system takes its toll on arterial blood vessels. Eating well and regular exercise can help control Type 2 Diabetes, but remember to have your blood pressure and cholesterol levels checked as well.

Myth #5: My doctor would order medical tests if I were at risk for heart disease.

Most of us overlook the little aches we're feeling, and medical professionals may pass over heart exams. Heart scans are not typical tests, as are mammograms and colonoscopies. A heart scan can detect arterial plaque build-up before



Heart disease and stroke cost the Canadian economy more than \$22.2 billion every year in physician services, hospital costs, lost wages and decreased productivity.

To learn more about heart disease prevention, check out the following websites:

mayoclinic.com
heartandstroke.ca
homemakers.com



Our spring flea market drew in over 70 vendors and over

A few thoughts from comedian Stephen Wright:

If the pen is mightier than the sword, in a duel, I'll let you have the pen.

I went fishing with a dotted line and caught every other fish.

My grandfather invented Cliff's Notes. It all started in 1912...Well, to make a long story short...

I wrote a few children's books. Not on purpose.

Spring Flea Market a Big Success

Our annual Spring Flea Market was an all-around success, due to a mix of careful and thorough preparation, dedicated staff and volunteers, happy and numerous vendors, lots of visitors and weather that put a smile on everyone's face.

If you were there, you had the pleasure of shopping numerous exhibits in the sunshine, while vintage music played softly in the background. Our favourite kettle corn people supplied us with something to munch and the Boarding House was cooking up a storm. I can still smell those delicious grilled onions; they draw the crowds in like flies!

Vendor feedback was *overwhelmingly* positive, with many promising to return in the fall. Items for sale included scented candles, jewelry, housewares, antiques, repurposed furniture, clothing, books, toys,

plants, tools, and more. Guest feedback was also very positive, with many expressing how nice it is at Heritage Village.

Our thanks to Glenn Young, chairperson of this event, for a job well done!

Special Announcement

Glenn has been chairing our semi-annual flea markets for 10 years now, and has decided that he would like to pass the torch to another willing volunteer or volunteers. The flea market is a fun event, and Glenn tells me that in serving as chairperson, he has met so many wonderful people. If you think you would enjoy this opportunity, alone or with a partner, please call Kim at the museum to discuss the job: 519-776-6909

July Car Shows in the Area

July 9: Essex BIA Classic Car Show, noon to 5pm www.essexbia.com/classic-car-show.htm

July 15: Belle River BIA Sunsplash 10th Annual Classic Car Cruise, 3pm to 9pm. Register online at www.classiccruise.ca. Belle River Lions Club info: 519-728-4624

July 16: Belle river Classic Cruise Road Tour (1 hour cruise). Info 519-728-4624. Register online at www.classiccruise.ca

July 17: All British Car Show, Canadian Transportation Museum and Heritage Village. www.ctmhv.com

July 20: The Laid Back Lenny Band.

A&W Restaurant, 1695 Manning Rd. Tecumseh. www.aw.ca

July 22: Amherstburg Verdi Club 8th Annual Car Show. Register noon to 4pm. Show starts at 5pm. Vehicles \$20. Info: 519-736-4382 or 519-736-7233. 689 Texas Rd., Amherstburg

July 31: Amherstburg's Gone Crazy Car Show 'N Shine—downtown streets, 11 am to 4pm. Cars, \$5. For information, please call Eleanor at 519-736-7233. www.amherstburggonecrazyshow.com

What is the world's most popular car colour?

The answer is red.

Windsor Regiment — Immediate Release

This letter comes from the Maj. F.A Tilston VC Armoury on Sandwich Street in Windsor.

For Community and Country

The Windsor Regiment cordially invites Regimental family members to fill the ranks at our 75th anniversary celebrations October 14-16, 2011.

"The Windsor Regiment: For Community and Country-75 years of Service" will bring comrades and friends together to rekindle fond memories during a Meet and Greet, Freedom of the City parade in City Hall Square, Formal Dinner and Dance and Sunday morning brunch at the Maj. F.A. Tilston VC Armoury in Win-

dsor, Ontario.

Don't miss the opportunity to celebrate this landmark occasion with family and friends from days gone by. Tickets are \$75 per person and can be purchased by phone at (519) 254-2535 ext. 4510.

To purchase tickets online, or for additional information, please go to www.wrassoc.org/75th.html.

We look forward to the pleasure of your company in honour of those who are currently serving, those who served, and those who served, fell, and rest eternally on foreign soil.

Semper Paratus.



*"Nobody loves
me but my
mother, and she
could be jivin'
too."*

B.B King

Special Thanks

I would like to thank Glenn Young and Ralph Bosse for their help in putting the letter 'E' back up on the outside diner

wall. It blew off during a storm in May.

Bill Thoman

New Museum Arrival

In late June, Mickey Moulder and Mike Timoshyk drove out to Chatham to pick up our newest car on loan (courtesy of Wes Thompson, who owns the 1927 Packard that is still on display in Salon A). Mr. Thompson has loaned us his beautiful 1905 Cadillac, which now sits in Salon A. Come see it during summer hours: Tues-Sun. 9am to 4pm.

Below: Three views of the 1905 Cadillac. The car is in amazingly good condition, considering that it has not yet been restored. Beautiful!



Flubbed Headlines

Kids Make Nutritious Snacks

Red Tape Holds Up New Bridge

Panda Mating Fails;
Veterinarian Takes Over

Living Together Linked to Divorce

Study Finds Sex, Pregnancy Link

Lack of Brains Hinders Research

Include Your Children When Baking Cookies

Cockroach Slain, Husband Badly Hurt.

A Politician's Clear Position

In 1952, Noah S. "Soggy" Sweat, Jr., a member of the Mississippi House of Representatives, was asked about his position on whisky. Here's how he answered:

If you mean whisky, the Devil's brew, the poison scourge, the bloody monster that defiles innocence, dethrones reason, destroys the home, creates misery and poverty, yea, literally takes the bread from the mouths of little children; if you mean that evil drink that topples Christian men and women from the pinnacles of righteous and gracious living into the bottomless pit of degradation, shame, despair, helplessness, and hopelessness, then my friend, I am opposed to it with every fiber of my being.

However, if by whisky you mean the oil of conversation, the philosophic wine, the elixir of life, the ale that is consumed

when good fellows get together, that puts a song in their hearts and the warm glow of contentment in their eyes; if you mean Christmas cheer, the stimulating sip that puts a little spring in the step of an elderly gentleman on a frosty morning; if you mean that drink that enables man to magnify his joy, and to forget life's great tragedies and heartbreaks and sorrow; if you mean that drink the sale of which pours into our treasuries untold millions of dollars each year, that provides tender care for our little crippled children, our blind, our deaf, our dumb, our pitifully aged and infirm, to build the finest highways, hospitals, universities, and community colleges in this nation, then my friend, I am absolutely, unequivocally in favour of it.

This is my position, and as always, I refuse to compromise on matters of principle!

Chairperson Needed...

We love our semi-annual flea market days, and Glenn Young has done a tremendous job of chairing these two events. He has decided to turn over the responsibility to someone who would be willing to take over. Why not help? It's only twice a year. If you are interested, call Kim at: **519- 776-6909**

What is It?

Can you answer all seven of the following questions with the same word?

1. The word has seven letters
2. It preceded God
3. It is greater than God
4. It is more evil than the Devil
5. All poor people have it

6. Wealthy people need it
7. If you eat it, you will die

Did you figure it out? Answer on the back page.



Sports Quotations

"I'm working as hard as I can to get my life and my cash to run out at the same time. If I can just die after lunch Tuesday, everything will be perfect." Doug Sanders, golfer

"I found out that it's not good to talk about my troubles. 80% of the people who hear them don't care and the other 20% are glad you're having trouble." Tommy Lasorda, LA Dodgers manager

"My knees look like they lost a fight with a midget." E.J. Holub, Kansas City Chiefs linebacker regarding his 12 knee surgeries

"Blind people come to the ballpark just to

hear him pitch." Reggie Jackson commenting on Tom Seaver

"I don't know. I only played there for nine years." Walt Garrison, Dallas Cowboys fullback when asked if Tom Landry ever smiles.

"I won't know until my barber tells me on Monday." Knute Rockne, when asked why Notre Dame had lost a game

"Our biggest concern this season will be diaper rash." George MacIntyre, Vanderbilt football coach surveying the team roster that included 26 freshmen and 25 sophomores.

The word 'budget' comes from 15th century France; a 'bouget' was a little purse. Eventually, the word was used for any leather purse used as a wallet. By the 18th century, when the English Chancellor of the Exchequer 'opened his budget,' Parliament began to use the word to describe anything pertaining to public finance. Hence, the modern use of the word 'budget.'

You Broke Your Collarbone How?

This story is taken from the Brush Colorado News-Tribune:

A man pushed his motorcycle from the patio into his living room, where he began to clean the engine with some rags and a bowl of gasoline. When he finished, he sat on the motorcycle and started it to make sure everything was OK. The bike started in gear and crashed through the glass patio door with him still clinging to the handlebars.

His wife had been working in the kitchen. She came running at the noise, and found him crumpled on the patio, badly cut from the shards of broken glass. She called 911 and the paramedics transported the guy to the ER.

Later that afternoon, after enduring many stitches, the man's wife put him to bed. She cleaned up the mess in the living

room and dumped the bowl of gasoline into the toilet.

Shortly thereafter, her husband woke up, lit a cigarette, and sat on the toilet. He tossed the cigarette into the bowl, which promptly exploded because the wife had not flushed the gasoline down. The explosion blew the man through the bathroom door.

The wife heard the explosion and her husband's screams. She ran into the hall and found him lying on the floor with his trousers blown away and burns on his buttocks. She raced to call 911 again.

The **same two** paramedics loaded the guy on the stretcher, and as they carried him off, asked his wife how the injury occurred. When she told them, they began to laugh so hard that they dropped the stretcher, breaking the man's collarbone.



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To contribute an article of interest,
send to MaryAnn Perry at:
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Answer to the riddle on page 8:

Nothing. Nothing has seven letters. Nothing preceded God. Nothing is greater than God. Nothing is more evil than the devil. All poor people have nothing. Wealthy people need nothing. If you eat nothing, you will die.

Correction: In last month's edition, I identified Ed and Phyllis Jeffrey as Ed and Phyllis Jeffries. My apologies to Ed and Phyllis.

2010/11 HVSO Board of Directors

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Guest Speaker

Wed., July 13, at the monthly Canadian Transportation Museum's member/volunteer meeting at 7:30 pm, Mr. William Holzel, and 83 year-old well-spoken survivor of the Nazi occupation of Holland, will provide us all with his story of growing up under the Nazis. Mr. Holzel also witnessed and was a beneficiary of Operation Manna, in which our own RCAF was heavily involved, including pilots from Windsor. Mike Beale will be there to provide us with additional information about Operation Manna. Please try to attend this important session. Today, it is not often that we can hear first hand information on living through WWII in Europe.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Operation_Mana