



# Winter Is On Its Way

**W**inter seems to be on its way as I write this and of course with winter setting in we are getting ready for our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Bazaar. This year's Bazaar will be held on Friday, November the 29<sup>th</sup> for members only and for the public on Saturday November the 30<sup>th</sup> 2002 from 10 o'clock in the morning until 4 in the afternoon of each day. We hope you will all come

and pick up those special Christmas presents for the ones that you care about the most. Because of working with volunteers only this year I must take this opportunity to thank our "shoppers" for this years' bazaar. Heather Decker, Marilyn Dennis and Tom Jarvis, our intrepid treasurer, did a wonderful job attending the Gift Shows in Toronto. Tom was concerned about shopping with two women but I think all in all he had a

wonderful time with them and they also enjoyed having a man along for another viewpoint of the giftware business. Don't forget then – **MARK YOU CALENDAR FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29 AND 30, 2002 FROM 10 IN THE MORNING UNTIL 4 IN THE AFTERNOON FOR THAT "SPECIAL GIFT" FOR THAT "SPECIAL PERSON"**.

## Cliff Schisler

**L**ast month, we lost a long-standing member. Cliff Schisler died on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2002, on his 76<sup>th</sup> birthday, from a chronic illness that flared in recent months. Olive and Cliff have been members of the Historical Society

for over 20 years, and while Olive has probably been the more visible of the two, as editor of the newsletter and now "My Two Cents Worth", Cliff was always there – setting up chairs and tables, or hooking up the microphone – attending to any chores that had to be

done. Cliff had a wealth of knowledge of anything military, and never tired of sharing that knowledge with those who were interested. We shall miss him. To Olive and her family, we offer our love and our sympathy.

## SPEAKERS PROGRAMMES FOR 2002 – 2003

**I** must admit a little "gremlin" found its way into our last Exchange and two of the dates shown for our speaker's programmes are wrong. The February 2003 meeting with Clare Long on the history of the Long Family will be on **FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup> 2003, NOT FEBRUARY 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2003** as written. The May meeting will be held on **MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2003, NOT MAY 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2003 AS WRITTEN**. Jennie Tuman of the O.P.P. will be the speaker for that meet-

ing. Our meetings are always on the third Wednesday of the month and they begin at 7:30 p. m. in the basement auditorium of St. Paul's United Church at the corner of Coldwater Road and Peter Street, North. All are welcome to attend these very informative meetings. Please come and bring a friend and enjoy the talks about local and world wide events and then join us for coffee, tea and cookies after the speech is over. It is a wonderful way to

meet old friends, greet new folks and welcome them into our vibrant city.

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## SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD DINNER

Once again we will be celebrating the birth of Sir John A. Macdonald on Saturday January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2003. The dinner will be held in the Saturn Room of the Travelodge on



Highway #11 where the past dinners have been held. This year's speaker will be the former Member of Parliament for Kingston – Ms. Flora MacDonald. At this writing we are also expecting Hugh Gainsford, the Great Grandson of Sir John A. Macdonald to attend. The cost of the tickets for this very special social event will be \$35.00 per person. They can be obtained from the Orillia Museum of Art and History Gallery Shop, Manticore Book Store or from our ticket coordinator – Al Hutchings at 326-4305. Don't delay purchasing your tickets – they have sold out each year and you do not want to miss this exciting evening.



## BOOK LAUNCH FOR CATHERINE DRINKWATER'S BOOK – "LETTERS TO EDGEWOOD FARM"

Catherine Drinkwater, a long time member of the Orillia Historical Society and a very active member of the Orillia Museum of Art & History is launching her new book "Letters to Edgewood Farm – From a Canadian Girl in WWII. The launch will take place at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 34 at the waterfront on Mississauga Street on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2002 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. Catherine will be speaking around 2:15 p.m. and will talk about her experiences in the Canadian Women's Army Corps. Her autobiographical book will touch on the times, and places and events of WWII and the memories that remain from that era. The letters home, photographs and female perspective of that time period will be an entertaining

and educational journey for one and all. Do come and meet the author and enjoy some wonderful fellowship with her and her friends. All are welcome!!!



## CHRISTMAS PARTY DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2002 – 3:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.



In Olive's My Two Cents' Worth you will read about the Christmas Party. Please come and enjoy a social afternoon with plenty of good cheer and goodies besides. All members are welcome and if they wish, they can bring a friend or two as well. We look forward to seeing you all there!!!!

## SALVATION ARMY VOLUNTEERS FOR THE CHRISTMAS KETTLES

The Salvation Army are looking for volunteers to man one of their kettles on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2002 from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Zehrs Store. Vivienne McDonald at 326-2530 has agreed to look for the volunteers so when she calls, please say yes that you can spare an hour to help out this very worthwhile effort.

# **Our 6th Annual Christmas Bazaar**



**Saturday, November 30, 2002  
10 am—4pm**

**Members-only Preview  
Friday, November 29 10 am—4pm**



# Exchange

## THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ORILLIA MUSEUM OF ART & HISTORY

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### GALLERY SHOP HOURS

Monday to Friday - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturday - 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Sunday - closed

### COACHHOUSE GALLERY HOURS

Wednesday to Friday - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
Saturday - upon request  
Any other time - upon request

ADMISSION TO COACHHOUSE GALLERY  
By donation. Members free.

## ZEPHYR SPOTLIGHTS ORILLIA MUSEUM OF ART AND HISTORY FOR "JUBILATION" OPENING

**M**ark Friday, December 6th 2002 on your calendar now!! This evening will see Zephyr opening its annual winter show, "Jubilation", with some of the proceeds earmarked for the Orillia Museum of Art and History. Zephyr, a gallery for working artists, has arranged for sponsorship of both its opening reception and entertainment in the form of Canadian Blues legend and two time Juno nominee, Michael Pickett. Tammy Puurunen and Lolly Lapp of Prudential Lifestyles Real Estate

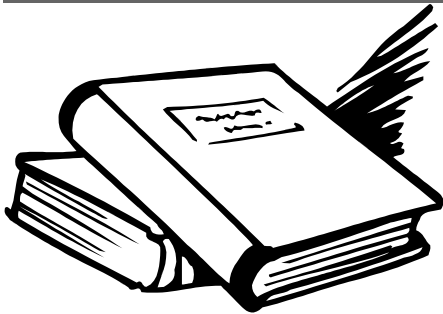
have agreed to sponsor the opening reception while dentist, Hugh Coleman, is covering



Michael Pickett's fee. The event will have a modest ticket charge of \$5.00 with the proceeds to be equally shared between the Orillia Museum of Art and History and Zephyr.

Here is an opportunity for combining community support for two exceptional cultural institutions while enjoying some of the best of this regions' visual art accompanied by an award-winning musician. Refreshments will be provided. Advance tickets will be available at Zephyr (lower level of la Mesaluna Café), Orillia Museum of Art and History Gallery Shop, Tiffin's Creative Centre, Manticore Book Shop, The Shadowbox and at the door on Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2002 from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.

## SCHOLARSHIPS



**E**ach year the Orillia Museum of Art and History presents two different scholarships to students in our local high schools. The Allan Ironside Scholarships rewards four students who are interested in history and this year the winners are Jane Theut of Patrick Fogarty High School, Patrick Mullaly of ODCVI, Cassandra Whitteman of Park Street and Nick Hogg of Twin Lakes. The McLellan Scholarship honours students with an interest in the art world and the three winners this year are Joel Duncan of Twin Lakes, Karalee Harbridge of ODCVI and Chris Dennis of Patrick Fogarty High School. To all these students we wish them well in their future endeavours and their pursuit of a higher and broader education.

## VOLUNTEERS

**O**ur volunteers have been working overtime lately helping with the inventory that needs to be done at least once a year. Although space does not allow me to list them all now, their assistance over the past month has been wonderful. A full list will appear in our winter issue of the Exchange. I now wish everyone an incredible holiday season, with many warm memories of the happy times spent with family and friends over the past years and extending to everyone a joyous and prosperous New Year for 2003.

Jean E. Sarjeant, Chairman/Editor

