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UPCOMING EVENTS

Peterborough Historical Society
Lion's Community Centre
2025

Tuesday, 21 January
Speaker: 9 Ships Committee
Tuesday, 18 February
Speaker: Drew Monkman
Tuesday, 18 March
Speaker: PACAC
Tuesday, 15 April
Speaker: Mark Bourrie
Tuesday, 20 May
Speaker: Peterborough Field
Naturalists

Peterborough Historical Society
Lion's Community Centre

Holiday themed Trivia
Friday, 6 December
from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm

Hutchison House Museum
Heritage Luncheon
Wednesday 4 December
12:00 and 1:30 p.m. sitting

Paint and Sip
Nutcracker Workshop
Sunday 8 December from 1:00
p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Charles Dickens
A Christmas Carol
Sunday 15 December from 2:00
p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Hogmanay
1 January
From 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Robbie Burns Day
take home meal
24 January

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Hogmanay 2025
January 1
Hutchison House
Looking forward to seeing you



PHS Bulletin February 1980 It was a day of Scottish music, dance, song, recitations, good food and drink. As Hutchison House ushered in the new decade with its first annual Hogmanay celebration,. Over 315 visitors took part in the festivities on January 1st, which made the day one of the most successful special events Hutchison House has had to date. A special thanks to all those who cooked, guided, and took part in the many presentations.



From the President

Don Willcock



It's December already!! Where did 2024 go?? It seems only a little while ago that we were holding Hutchison House's first post-Covid Hogmanay on New Year's Day!

2024 has been an up-and-down year with challenges for both PHS and Hutchison House: some events and activities had low attendance – perhaps because of a combination of economic issues and the Covid spectre still hanging around and still making people nervous about going out in crowded public spaces. The House is not getting nearly as many bus tours for teas and tours, but the number of school programs seems to be picking up. Despite an excellent lineup of speakers, attendance at PHS public meetings has varied this year. We are all hoping for continued increases in numbers for all of our 2025 events and programs.

I will take this opportunity to thank all of the volunteers without whom we could not operate Hutchison House, our staff members Erin and Hailey, my fellow PHS Board and Hutchison House Management Committee members, and all donors, supporters, and friends of both the House and the Society for their dedication, hard work, and generosity. It is very much appreciated. Thank you, also, to Peterborough's Mayor and Council for their decision not to cut Hutchison House's municipal funding for 2025.

December can be busy with events, travel, activities, shopping, parties, etc., but Christmas also can be a joyous time to gather with family and friends, and a period for quiet reflection – and maybe even some rest and relaxation. In that spirit, I want to wish everyone a happy and safe holiday season and all the best for the New Year. I hope many of you will join me in greeting 2025 during Hogmanay at Hutchison House on 1 January.

PHS Previous Month's Meeting

"A Canadian Flyer in the Middle East Arthur Eyquem de Montaigne Jarvis "

When John and Nicola Jennings met at Trent in the 1970s their shared interest in history led to looking at each other's family photos in the First World War era. To their complete surprise, they found they each had exactly the same copy of a photo taken in the Greek campaign of members of the Royal Flying Corps. John's father, and Nicola's grandfather were both in the photo.

In a fascinating November presentation in the Peterborough Historical Society Speakers Series, the Nicola used documents and photos to illustrate details of their ancestors' personal war stories, and John used his perspective as a retired history professor to put the story in context - why the war began, and the strategic importance of the Greek/Balkan/Turkish front, often overlooked in popular histories of the war.

John is gathering material to write a book based on the story, and if their presentation at the Lions Club hall is any indication, it will be an engaging and informative read!

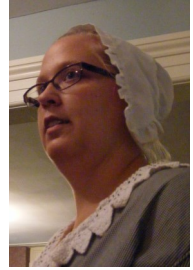
Dave Wesley

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Hutchison House Museum Report

Erin Panepinto



Staff and volunteers have hit the ground running for this holiday season. The last few weeks have been busy with prep for our annual Christmas Market as well as our sold out Snowflake Teas and Nutcracker Paint and Sip Workshops. Thank you to volunteers Linda Chandler, Loretta Terry, Bob Laing and Juli Hillier for their hard work in planning and running these events.

There are still tickets available for Charles Dickens *A Christmas Carol* in the Keeping Room by firelight on Sunday, December 15th from 2-4pm. We will be listening to a recording of the 1939 Campbell Soup radio show presented by Orson Welles and starring Lionel Barrymore as Ebenezer Scrooge. A choice of dessert, tea and coffee will be served. The cost for the event is \$15.00 per person prepaid. Seating is limited. To book tickets please call the museum office.

Help us ring in the New Year at Hutchison House with a Hogmanay celebration from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on, January 1, 2024. Our first-footer will be "piped in" at precisely 1 p.m. January 1st with a rousing rendition of 'Burns' Address to a Haggis' to follow shortly thereafter. Visitors will enjoy tours of the museum as well as samples of the taste of Scotland throughout the afternoon. Fiddle music, and the skirl of the bagpipe and drum will round out the day. Plan to drop in to wish new friends and old neighbours the best for the coming year.

Admission prices: adults \$12.00; children \$8.00; family rate \$35.00 (2adults/2+ children). Athol Brose sold separately. This is a 'drop-in' affair. Space at the museum is limited and in order to accommodate visitors to this popular event and we would respectfully ask participants to keep the length of their visit as short as possible to avoid overcrowding.

To finish off January, Hutchison House Museum will celebrate Robbie Burns Day with a take home meal on January 24, 2025. Celebrate this Scottish icon with a traditional Scottish meal made up of all your Hogmanay favorites. You must pre-order your meals by January 20, 2025. Meals will be available for curbside pick-up between 12pm and 2pm on January 24, 2025. Meals are \$30 and will include: a Scotch egg, tatters and neeps, oatcakes, cheese, a sample of potted salmon, shortbread and cloutie dumpling. For an extra \$5 you can also get a piece of Haggis.

For more information about Hogmanay or to order Fireside Stories or a Robbie Burns meal to go please contact the museum at 705-743-9710 or info@hutchisonhouse.ca.

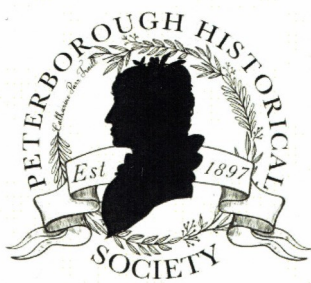
The Museum will be closed for the holidays starting Thursday December 19 as staff and volunteers celebrate the holidays with our annual staff potluck. In order to prep for Hogmanay the museum will remain closed until January 1 for Hogmanay. If you need access to the museum during this time please call before December 19 to make arrangements with staff. Following Hogmanay the museum will remain closed for the month of January with the exception of pick up for the Robbie Burns meals on January 24. Staff will be working on some much needed collection work as well as repainting the Keeping Room ceiling. Staff will be available to answer phone and emails during this time.

We hope everyone has a safe and happy holiday season and we will see you for Hogmanay!

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