

GATINEAU VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER

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Coming Events

GVHS Annual Auction and Flea market

Aug 21, 2004, 9:00 am

St. Stephens Church, Old Chelsea



The 41st Gatineau Valley Historical Society's Annual Auction will take place on **Saturday August 21, 2004** on the grounds of St. Stephen's Church, Old Chelsea.

Auctioneer Gerald Lepage will once again lead the bidding on our usual selection of antiques, collectibles, and curiosities. Other attractions include the flea market and bake sale, a silent auction, and the sale of GVHS publications.

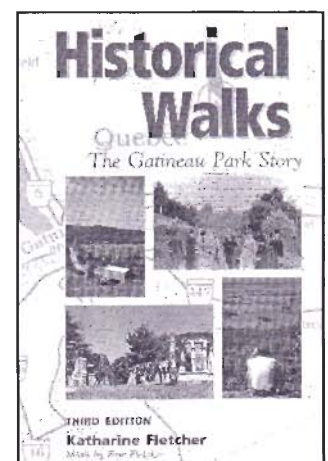
The Society can always use more quality antiques and collectibles for its auction. If you have anything to donate, please bring them to the St. Stephen's Church grounds on Friday afternoon or evening (August 20th), so they may be registered.

For further information contact Theresa Winfield (827-0678), Jay Atherton (827-1703), or Marc Cockburn (459-2004).

Monday, September 20, 7:30 p.m.
Chelsea Community Centre, Old Chelsea.

Speaker: Katherine Fletcher

The GVHS is pleased to welcome award-winning freelance writer Katharine Fletcher who will speak about the recently published new editions of her popular historical walking guides of the National Capital Region, including *Historical Walks: the Gatineau Park Story*. For history buffs, nature lovers, bird watchers, and hiking enthusiasts, Katharine's Historical "Walks" continues to be the unique guide to the human and natural history of Gatineau Park. Fully illustrated with maps, archival and contemporary photographs, the book is a one-stop reference and handbook to Gatineau Park. (See: www.chesleyhouse.com)



Coming Events

British Isles Family History Society of Greater Ottawa

*2004 Fall Conference: Celebrate Your
Anglo-Celtic Roots!*

The Society's 2004 10th Anniversary Fall Conference - "Celebrate Your Anglo-Celtic Roots!" - will be held at Library & Archives Canada, 395 Wellington St., Ottawa, **September 17, 18 & 19**. This will be a family history event not to be missed. Mark it on your schedule now! See www.bifhsgo.ca

Artists in their Environment Studio Tour

Sept 18/19, 25/26, 2004

Cheslea, Wakefield, LaPêche.

Come and encounter 24 professional artists and craftspeople in their environment. Enjoy the hills and vales of the Gatineau with a kaleidoscope of fall colours and textures as a backdrop for our award-winning tour. www.arttourseawakefield.com

The Canadian Military History Gateway

On 30 June 2004, the Department of National Defence (DND) launched the Canadian Military History Gateway (CMHG), an online service that provides access to websites and digitized resources about Canada's military history.

The goal of the CMHG is to provide the public with free access to the collective military history resources of Canadian museums, libraries, archives and other heritage organizations through a single gateway. The Gateway provides Canada's military history dating back to 1000 A.D. It offers access to over 4000 online links to military history, with resources such as digitized books, music, art, photos and video, narratives, interactive games and scholarly research. The target audience - youth, educators and life long learners - can use online tools to access the military history resources of all the partners.

The Gateway was developed by the Department of National Defence (DND). It was done in partnership with Veterans Affairs Canada, Canadian War Museum, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC), National Film Board, Library and Archives Canada and Parks Canada.

www.cmhg.gc.ca/

Correspondence

In the December/January Newsletter you published a picture of a Rupert School Class and asked if readers might be able to identify the students. At this late date you may have the answers; if not some comment may be of interest. I have been living in North Carolina for several years, so have been delayed in seeing the Newsletters which still go to my daughter's address.

The same picture appears in the book on District Schools published in memory of Mrs. Everett Moore some years ago. The date indicated there was about 1944, which is probably correct.

While in the Ottawa area over Easter, I discussed



the picture with my sister-in-law. She was Marjorie Johnson and appears on the left side, back row. She married my brother, Russell Pritchard, and lives at Alcove. She was able to confirm the identify of the following:

Beside her is Mabel Trowse, next is Patsy O'Hare, then Marjorie's sister Verna. On the front row (l to r) is a young boy whose identity is not certain, the next was thought to be Evelyn Craig, next girl not identified, then Marjorie's other sister Urva, and Ellen Gibson.

With warm regards. Ian Pritchard

WELCOME to new members:

Barbara Bolton, Sudbury
Andrew Geggie, Yellowknife
Andrew and Marion Kelly, Low
Bill Lee, Chelsea
Josephine MacFadden, Cantley
Grace McClelland-Crout, Ottawa
Edith Ritchie, Dartmouth, NS
Jeannette Temple, Wakefield
H. Vaillancourt, Carleton Place