

NEWMARKET HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Founded 1974

Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month

2012 focus: War of 1812, 1837 Rebellion 200th anniversary of the war; 175th of the Rebellion

JANUARY Society members have been invited to give short talks on their favourite figure in Newmarket's past. Annual meeting and election of Executive and Directors. **Wed., Jan. 18, 7:30 p.m.**



FEBRUARY The importance of the Yonge St. trail to the War of 1812. Speaker: Dave Brunelle, South Georgian Bay War of 1812 Bicentennial Committee. **Wed. Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m.**

MARCH The 1814 Battle of Lake Huron, for which Yonge St. was the only British supply route. Speaker: Heather Robertson, author of *Walking into Wilderness: the Toronto Carrying Place and Nine Mile Portage*. **Wed., March 21, at 7:30.**



APRIL Peter Robinson, frontier leader. Member of Newmarket's first family, Family Compact member, war hero, fur trader, founder of Peterborough and Holland Landing. Speaker: Marie O'Connor, Peterborough Museum & Archives.

Wed., April 18, 7:30 p.m.

MAY 1837– The Rebellion – whose side were we on, anyway? Speaker: Prof. Ron Stagg, one of Canada's leading experts on the rebellion, author of the definitive *The Rebellion of 1837 in Upper Canada*. He has served twice as Chair of the History Department at Ryerson University.

Wed., May 16, at 7:30 p. m.

JUNE Topic: The role of 4th Riding of York voters in the rebellion aftermath which resulted in the election here of Baldwin and LaFontaine, and in York County becoming The Birthplace of Responsible Government. Speaker: Dr. Albert Schrauwers, York University, and an early NHS member.

Wed., June 20 at 7:30 p.m., Sharon Temple



**ELECT
BALDWIN**

JULY and AUGUST

No meetings

SEPTEMBER John Sewell, former Toronto mayor, member of the Sharon Temple Society board and author of a biography of William Lyon Mackenzie, will speak on Mackenzie and the Rebellion.

Wed., Sept. 19 at 7:30 p.m.

OCTOBER Ken Cassavoy, Project Director, HMS General Hunter Exhibit, Bruce County Museum., will speak on the excavation of the Hunter's remains and on the ship's role in the War of 1812.

Wed., Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.



NOVEMBER The month of our annual Christmas dinner. This year's dinner will be a tribute to our former Member of the Legislative Assembly, William Lyon Mackenzie. Menu and entertainment will reflect the Rebellion period. Reformers and Tories welcome.

Wed., Nov. 21, at 6 p.m.

**Meetings in Newmarket Community Centre on Riverwalk Common
ALL WELCOME FREE ADMISSION**

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