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Next Society Meetings.....

General Meeting, Wed, November 17, 2010
Huron County Museum Auditorium,
North St, Goderich 7:00pm
General meeting and presentation about the
175th Anniversary of Knox Presbyterian
Church, Goderich by Richard Madge.
No prior dinner is arranged.

Winter break....
Our next meeting will be in April 2011.
Keep tuned for the next newsletter for details.

At the last meeting.....

On the evening of October 20th, the Dinner Bell restaurant in Clinton hosted an exceptional repast of roast pork and doings with desserts for all. Following the meal, Caroline Brophy and Donna Hardy gave a presentation about the history and lore attached to the Sloman School on Wheels that traveled in converted rail passenger cars on the CN and CP lines in Northern Ontario and Quebec teaching the children of railway maintainers, hunters and trappers. The troupe then adjourned to the Rail Car for a hands-on visit and more stories of the Slomans and their exploits, including the award of the Order of Canada to Fred's wife, Cela Sloman. The group marveled at the tight space and compact amenities available to the family of five as the car traversed the north to bring education to remote families and children.

Membership renewal....

The date shown above your name on the address label is the year to which your membership is paid up, according to our records. If you are in arrears, consider this a reminder that the membership fees are now \$20. To reserve your member's copy of Historical Notes, keep your dues up to date. Past copies of the Notes are available at the Museum, \$8.00 per copy. And, if you are in arrears, mail-in your membership today. Note our current address for mail and memberships: **HCHS Memberships, Box 3, Goderich ON, N7A 3Y5.**

Huron Historical Notes.....

The 2011 edition of Huron Historical Notes is now underway. It will feature the story of the municipality of Morris Turnberry and the town of Wingham with Jodi Jerome synthesizing the recent publication of the definitive history of the area. Contact Ralph Laviolette 519-565-2454 if you have time to volunteer time to help to produce the edition. If you have a suggested topic or an anecdote or article to contribute to the next Pot Pourri, drop Ralph a line or email: ralphlav@tcc.on.ca.

Plaque project.....

The Society is continuing its plan to erect plaques to noteworthy people and places across the County. If you have an idea of where and what to add to a plaque, call David Armstrong. A planning team has been organized. All suggestions will be seriously considered.

Archive collections.....

Occasionally, the Society is asked by members or the public to help to find a home for historical collections of papers or artifacts. There is no longer space to store many family keepsakes. In trying to estimate the extent of the problem, a questionnaire has been composed to gather information about the various collections, large and small, across the County. If you have a box full of old papers, or a collection of memorables of whatever variety, call David Armstrong at 519-524-1156 to get a copy of the questionnaire. We will add your notes to the list of Huron treasures to be preserved.

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Here are some photos of the presentation by Caroline Brophy and Donna Hardy and the visit to the Sloman School on Wheels. If you weren't there, you were missed, and you missed a good visit to this extraordinary display.

