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Next Society Meetings.....

General meeting, Wed, September 8, 2010

**Benmiller United Church, Benmiller
 (intersection of Airport Rd west of Goderich
 and Cty Road 1 south of Carlow)**

**6:00 pm Country-style roast beef dinner
 by the Church Ladies, \$15 per person**

**7:00 pm Business Meeting and a
 presentation by Marg Gaberino about the
 Benmiller Woolen Mill, Jim Pfrimmer about
 the Grist Mill and Brad VanStone about the
 Brick Factory and Tannery.**

**For reservations,
 call Mac Campbell.....519-524-7935**

General Meeting, Wed, October 20, 2010

**Plans are underway for a visit to the Sloman
 Rail Car Museum in Clinton. Stay tuned for
 details.**

Last meeting.....

The church ladies of Trinity Anglican Church Blyth hosted an enthusiastic group to a tour of the church and its archives and to a dinner following. Brock and Janis Vodden, originators and keepers of the Repository of Blyth, introduced us to the congregation's Lay Reader Ella Ives who gave a short history of the building and manse begun in 1878 highlighting the sanctuary, the stained glass windows and the memorials to those fallen in the Wars. Following the dinner, exceptional desserts were devoured. Then, Ralph Laviolette, secretary of the Society, gave a short presentation on the history of Huron County with some anecdotes about early settlers and how they arrived in Huron County, mainly from Scotland, Ireland, England and Pennsylvania.

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. Plans are underway for future editions. 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.

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.

Fairs and exhibits....

As many members know, the Society holds no archives or artifacts but does attend many fairs, shows and exhibits to display our efforts, particularly Huron Historical Notes. During July, we shared a display with the Bayfield Historical Society at Benmiller Inn's Open House and had good conversation with tourists and visitors. At the August 7 Trinity Church Antique Show in Bayfield, we took part in a display and sold Notes and memberships to some of the 3,000 visitors.

On August 28, Elaine Snell will host a booth at the Zurich Bean Festival in downtown Zurich. Stop by and say hello – it promises to be a memorable community event.

Donations....

The Society wishes to acknowledge the gracious donation of Bisset Dairy artefacts to the Huron County Museum. From the late 1800s until the 1970s, the Bisset family of Salford operated a dairy farm and a dairy service providing milk, butter and ice cream products under the name Bisset Brothers. In July of this year, many items and photographs related to the business were donated to the Museum by Eunice Bisset and her son, the Reverend Alex Bisset.

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Here are some photos of the Trinity Church in Blyth and Ella Ivey our tour hostess:

