

# FREDERICTON REGION MUSEUM NEWSLETTER

November 2014

It all starts here!!

## YSHS Christmas Party Announcement

The York Sunbury Historical Society annual Christmas party will be held at the Fredericton Inn on Wednesday December 10, 2014 arriving at 11:30am for dinner at noon. We have reserved the Front Regency Room for our function. The presentation of the Martha J. Harvey Award will also be made.

### Menu

Homemade Rolls and Butter  
Salads – Garden Fresh Tossed, Potato, 3 Bean  
Soup of the Day  
Stuffed Chicken Breast  
Baby Carrots  
Baby White Potatoes  
Assorted Light Desserts  
Coffee, Tea

Join us and bring a friend. We need to know how many people to expect, please RSVP to Ruth at the Fredericton Region Museum by noon on December 8, if



you plan to attend. The cost this year is \$18 taxes inclusive, pay individually. We are looking forward to seeing you!

## YSHS November Program

The Program Committee is pleased to announce the following presentation for the York-Sunbury Historical Society. Presentations take place at 7:30pm in the basement of Government House (51 Woodstock Road). A reception follows each presentation and are free and open to the public.

Speaker: Major (Retired) Harold A. Skaarup  
Topic: New Brunswick Military History Brief  
Date: November 20, 2014

Major (Retired) Harold A. Skaarup, CD2, BFA, MA in War Studies, served with the Canadian Forces as an Army Intelligence Officer and has a great deal of interest in Military History. He has served overseas with 4 Canadian Mechanized Brigade in Germany, with the Canadian Contingent of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Nicosia, Cyprus (CANCONCYP), with the NATO-led Peace Stabilization Force in Sarajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina (SFOR), with North American Aerospace Defence Command (NORAD) and United States Northern Command in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and with the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF), Kabul Multi-National Brigade (KMNb) in Kabul, Afghanistan. He retired from the Army on 8 August 2011 and currently lives in Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, where he continues to write with a focus on military history.



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## New Brunswick Great War Geocaching Project

The New Brunswick Great War Geocaching Project (NBGWGP) was commissioned by the Gregg Centre for the Study of War & Society. The aim of the Project is to commemorate the valiant service and sacrifice of the thousands of New Brunswick men and women who answered the call to arms



for King and Country. The Geo Tour is intended to focus on the soldiers of New Brunswick and those that supported them. It is our hope that you will learn from this Geo Tour and spend a moment reflecting on the sacrifices at home and abroad. Lest We Forget

Download the passport from this website:

<http://www.tourismfredericton.ca/en/thingstodo/resources/GeocachingGreatWar2014.pdf>.

To receive your coin, deliver your completed passport to the Fredericton Region Museum at 571 Queen Street. Coins will be awarded on a first-come-first-served basis while supplies last. Only one coin per person with a valid passport. Once your passport is validated, you will be rewarded with a NBGWGP geocoin.

### The FRM Welcomes Emerald Rogers & ARTS3000 Interns!

The FRM wishes to extend its thanks to Lisa who coordinated our off-season education programs over the last few years. Lisa worked on behalf of the museum with schools and community groups developing programs that met their curriculum needs. She now works closer to her home and no longer has to drive to work over icy roads in the winter.

Emerald has stepped in to replace Lisa and brings with her museum knowledge and experience delivering programs and working with youth. She has already delivered a few programs and is excited to start developing new initiatives! She is reviewing past programs and updating the information posted on the internet.

The FRM is also fortunate to have four University of New Brunswick Interns! Shawn Mackenzie is assisting Chris Turnbull with an audit of the Native collection. Zoe McCarron is working on a postcard research project. Haley Kalous is working with Jennifer on a First World War education program. Alexis Poirier is responsible for exhibit projects such as our First World War travelling exhibit that we are hoping to launch later this month.

## A Pause to Appreciate Volunteers

The FRM has been fortunate to have many amazing volunteers over the years. They have assisted with everything from spider killing duty, raking leaves, exhibits, editing publications and working on our various committees as well as the board. Operating a community museum is a remarkable responsibility for a Board. They are responsible for the community's collective past and the thousands of artefacts and archival records that represent that past. Each item needs to be catalogued, researched, cared for and eventually incorporated into exhibits, publications and education programs. It is a tremendous amount of work. As a small organization, staffing is limited and we rely on volunteers. Sometimes it is difficult to share our appreciation to those who contribute their time, energy and skills to our organization. We are either busy working on our own projects and sometimes work happens on opposite schedules. We would like our volunteers to know that even though we may not be there to say it or we may be too buried in our own work to look up, we appreciate what you do and our little museum is better because of your hard work and dedication. Thank you.

