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THE BEGINNING OF THE BREEZES: THE WOMAN WHO STARTED IT ALL





SUBMITTED BY BRENDA DUKE

Eva Googe had a vision that has spanned decades and left a mark on the history of the North End. She started out working at the front desk of a little store on James Street

and Hammy's smoke shop, near Simcoe Street East.

Eva asked about starting a small paper to keep the community informed about events. This was the

North between Moodie's Hardware beginning of North End Information Services which has since morphed into what we now know as The North End Breezes. It was all printed on a Gestetner which had to be hand cranked.

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June 18, 2022 Where: Macassa Bay Time: 1pm - 4pm

Door Prizes! Entertainment! Silent Auction! **Lunch Tickets Available!**

50 YEAR Countdown.....

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! It's time to celebrate!

Please join us on June 18, 2022 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at Macassa Bay for the event! FREE ADMISSION! BBQ LUNCH at \$10 each! Raffle Prizes! Silent Auction! Door Prizes! 50/50 tickets! Entertainment!

The location is accessible for all and there is a cash bar. We have secured a few really great items for the Silent Auction and are looking for draw prizes so shoot us your connections or donations. 50/50 tickets are available at \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.

Our little team will need your help and your support on the day of the party. Please email office@ northendbreezes.com



NENA UPDATE - FREE TREES AND MORE!

The City of Hamilton is giving away Free Private Trees to Hamilton Residents. You can plant a private tree on your property to help improve air quality, fight climate change, and increase your property value. There are four pick-up dates in June, with two of them located at Bayfront Park. To order your tree visit www.hamilton. ca/home-property-and-developement/property-gardens-trees/free-tree-giveaway.

Have you checked out Engage Hamilton? The city developed this interactive website for Hamiltonians to learn about important City initiatives, share their feedback and engage with the community. It is being used to gather online feedback on City of Hamilton projects, policies, and initiatives. Currently you can comment on many things including Digital Sign Boards, E-cargo bikes and more. You can find the site at https://engage.hamilton.ca/.

The North End Neighbourhood Association's Planning Committee continues to be busy, including engaging with people on the proposed Landmark building on Pier 8. The proposed building is meant to provide for more family size units on Pier 8 and is being designed by famed architect Bruce Kuwabara, who was born and raised right here in the North End.

Other developments the Planning Committee are working on are the continuation of the John Street Bike Lanes north of Burlington Street, and a special architectural feature welcoming people to the neighbourhood at James and Strachan.

Gatherings for full moons and sunsets at Sunset Cultural Garden! June's full moon is on the 14th and is a Supermoon, the second of 2022. It is called the Strawberry Moon for the ripening of June-bearing berries. Meantime May 15's full moon, the Paschal moon, rose shortly after sunset in the southeast of the garden, a huge orange yellow globe on the horizon. With any luck the skies will be clear for the June 14 Super/Strawberry Moon rising as the sun sets.

NENA meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7pm and everyone is welcome. We are currently meeting online. You can find out about our meetings by signing up for our newsletter. We are also on Facebook and Twitter.

Sign up for our newsletter here: https://www.northend-neighbourhoodassociation.com/ (Scroll to the very bottom).

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HOPA

PORT UPDATE



HOPA PORTS AGM & REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY

HOPA Ports hosted their Annual General Meeting and Report to the community on Monday May 9th. President and CEO, Ian Hamilton, provided an overview of the highlights from 2021 and a look at what is ahead in 2022 for HOPA Ports. In case you missed it, a recording of the presentation is available at www.hopaports.ca/agm

FISHERMAN'S PIER

Great news for local fishermen and boating enthusiasts! The parking lot and boat launch at Fisherman's Pier are now open to the public and free to use. The gate and entryway off of Eastport Dr. will be open seven days a week, from 5am to 9pm.

Should you run into any issues, please call Harbour West Marina staff at 905-525-3622 for assistance (this line is monitored from 10am-6pm).

HOPA is planning further upgrades so that Fisherman's Pier can grow into a more welcoming place for all to enjoy in Hamilton Harbour, stay tuned for more improvements coming soon!

DID YOU KNOW?

SUBMITTED BY SHERI SELWAY

Did you know that there is a "Yard Maintenance Bylaw"? Bylaw 10-118. I didn't but I found out when a by-law office visited a friend's house because there was a green bin in the front yard. I find this odd because on my regular walks around the neighbourhood, every block has a house, or houses, with a blue bin, green bin, and/or garbage in the front, often on the porch. On the visit, the officer also went into the backyard. This by-law is sup-

posed to be for the "health, safety, and well-being" of persons.

If I get a parking ticket, it is usually because the meter ran out, or I parked in a no-parking zone. It is clearly marked! (No Parking 8 am to 4 pm, for example). But no one knows about this bylaw! Bylaw 10-118 to Regulate Exterior Property Maintenance including vegetation, waste and graffiti (hamilton.ca) It is very detailed including listing what is considered "waste" (including animal waste!)

Every occupant has to keep vegetation cleared up and keep waste off their property. An officer can enter your property at any "reasonable" time.

So, before you complain about a neighbour's property to the city, maybe you should drop an anonymous note asking them to clean up their yard. Or better yet, offer to help out! What if your neighbour is sick, or has difficulty with moving the containers? Having an officer wander around your front and back yard could be stressful and cause anxiety to many people.

People love the North End because it is so friendly. Let's keep it that way!

LINDA'S CHATTY CORNER

SUBMITTED BY LINDA BENSON

What an absolutely gorgeous week it has been. This is my favorite time of the year. Flowers are beginning to bloom, trees are blossoming, wild life is coming alive and the sun is giving us much needed nourishment. I took a few, quiet & reflective, walks along the bayfront, Dundurn Castle and out to the RBG. I enjoyed seeing the Cherry Blossoms; I honestly didn't realize how many we had so close to home. Along with the Cherry Blossoms, the Magnolias are beginning to blossom, and then the Lilacs will begin. It truly is an amazing time of the year. I took a lot of photos, in one of the trees, there are two cardinals, can you see them? On my recent trip to the bayfront, I noticed how much work is being done along Pier 8. This looks like it will be a fantastic place to hang out. With walkways & potential parks and play areas. I am presuming Williams Pub Café will be getting some competition soon. As much as I enjoy visiting Williams, I do believe that they need a good dose of competition, especially during the tourist season. There is, of course Grand Dads, which is close by but not quite on the pier. I do enjoy a visit to Grand Dads. I remember them from before I moved to Hamilton; it must be over 30 years ago. I had a friend who worked

at the Port authority and we would always meet up in Grand Dads for one of their famous donuts. I don't eat donuts these days, but I recently popped by for a coffee. I noticed some changes, both in display and seating, but imagine this is temporary due to the past covid shut downs. I hear from many that Grand Dads is still an icon, and they have their loyal followers. Congratulations to them for being around for so long.

I hope to be moving to the North End, in the next few years, my name is on the list for one of the co-op apartments. I am imagining a very different Pier & harbor experience by then. I'm looking forward to the return of Harbour cruises, daily boat rides and more shops to browse in. I see (in my mind) many more picnic areas, splash pads and fun things for kiddies to do. Have you had chance to walk along Burlington Street, and read the advertising boards, see what is coming to the area? I have and it's awe inspiring. I honestly can't wait.

I'm going to finish off by wishing you all a very happy Victoria Day weekend, hopefully the weather will cooperate, so that we can all get outside and enjoy the many events Hamilton offers.

Linda









MULTI-SPORT CAMP

for children in SK-Grade 5

JULY 4-8 | 9:00-4:00 COST: \$150*

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NEW OPENINGS:RESTORING THE DOORS AT ST. LAWRENCE

SUBMITTED BY ROBYN GILLAM

About a month ago, I noticed people inspecting the front doors of St. Lawrence. I discovered that they were being assessed for repair and restoration over the Summer. The work is being undertaken by Heritage Mill of Dundas, specializing in architectural millwork as well as traditional carpentry and joinery. Now that restoration work is in progress and the tower door has been removed for refurbishment, I spoke to Alan of Heritage Mill about work on the doors and how it relates to their other projects. Alan, who grew up in the UK, fell in love with woodworking and carpentry in shop class at school and soon graduated to cabinet making and antique restoration. He worked for museums, restoring furniture and other objects going back to the Middle Ages. In Canada, he switched to buildings and architectural elements like doors and staircases. Heritage Mill has restored and replaced doors at Cambridge and Guelph town halls and has been employed by the City of Hamilton to work at Whitehern and Dundurn Castle. It also provides training in architectural millwork.

The tower and front doors of St. Lawrence are not those originally installed in 1890. Beginning in 1954 then parish priest, Father McBride, decided to replace the existing doors, of hinge and plank construction, with something less austere as part of a general renovation. Both sets of doors feature panels with a flowing tracery decoration and six roundels each, with symbols of Jesus' original students, the Twelve Apostles. The doors appear to date from the 1960s, but, interestingly, the handle on the tower door is at least ten years older. The doors need renovation as they have developed leakage as a result of the deterioration of the varnish. Once this happens the wood can degrade rapidly and water begins to leak inside the building. Repair and revarnishing will slow this process but it is caused by the location of the doors. Their elevated, southern exposure has been exacerbated by a complete lack of shade during the summer and exposure to precipitation at other times of the year. Although the heat dries the wood out, it has still suffered progressive deterioration over the sixty-odd years that the doors have been in place.

Problems with these doors highlight the challenge of building structures able to survive the southern Ontario climate. Greater fluctuations of temperature and more rainfall caused by climate change have made these problems worse. They can be addressed by careful attention to the selection of appropriate materials, as well as structure design and landscape interventions like proper drainage and planting more trees. That such a carefully constructed, durable building as St. Lawrence church can be affected by these environmental factors shows their seriousness and how they need to be carefully considered in relation to all building and environmental projects in the neighbourhood.

How long will each door will take to restore and when the project will be finished? When the main doors are being worked, on entry to the church will temporarily through the tower doors. According to Alan, the finished doors should be back in position by the Fall.

I would like to thank Alan for agreeing to talk to me about the doors as well as the social and environmental aspects of heritage.







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Sunday Worship 10:00 - 11:30AM

Children's Ministry Nursery to Grade 5



500 James St N, Hamilton Contact Phone: 905.527.3972 Email: office@jamesnorth.church Office Hours: Mon to Fri 9AM - 4PM www.jamesnorth.church

James North Baptist Church (formerly Hughson Street Baptist) has been a part of the North End for almost 135 years. We have been more than just a worship gathering on Sundays as we minster to as many people during the week as we do through our Sunday worship times. Under the leadership of Pastor Dwayne Cline, we believe the Lord has called us to a very simple philosophy of ministry – we seek to bless the North End of Hamilton in Jesus' name.

With the easing of Covid19 protocols we have returned to one worship gathering as we can set up to accommodate a full house. There is an area where seating will still have physical distancing in place for those who want to ease back into crowds a little more slowly. We'd be glad to welcome you any Sunday.

We believe the gospel changes everything. The good news of the gospel is that the death of Jesus Christ has paid the price for our sin, taking the penalty we deserve on Himself, saving us with certainty because of His resurrection. The gospel grants us purpose, hope and a hew perspective on joy and fulfillment. Life may not always be easy, but our hope in Jesus Christ gives us strength for the journey. At James North we strive to continually offer the hope of Jesus to others through our ministries and programs.

Perhaps you haven't had a chance to visit us in our new building at the NE corner of James St N and Picton Ave. It still feels new, although we've been here since August 2021. We would be glad to welcome you any Sunday or you can check out our live-stream to watch from home. You could also come by on Fridays from 9-11am for Coffee's On where our Food Bank is open to help those who need a little boost.

Check our website for up-to-date information (www.jamesnorth. church)



St. Lawrence the Martyr Parish

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> Pastor: Rev. Peter Jurzyk Sunday Mass 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

~No Mass Monday~
Tuesday - Confession 6:30 p.m. Mass 7:00 p.m.(new)
Wednesday - Mass 12 noon (new)
Thursday - Confession and Adoration 6:00 p.m., Mass 7:00 p.m.
Friday - Mass 9:00 a.m.
Saturday-Confession 9:30 a.m., Mass 10:00 a.m.
Please check our website for most up to date schedule

Sacraments of Marriage or Baptism:Please contact the parish office to make an appointment to meet with Father Peter.

Parish News

Spring 50/50 draw - Tickets are on sale until June 19th for the St. Lawrence spring 50/50 draw, our last two jackpots were quite sizable! Tickets can be purchased at the church after Sunday Mass or through the parish office.

Confirmation is coming up for students currently in Grade 7 and any students who missed the sacrament due to the pandemic. A registration form is available on our website. Confirmation date - May 31, 2022

Hall Rentals are available again! We are once again booking our hall for event rentals - The hall can seat approximately 150 people for a sit down dinner, and there is a full kitchen facility with commercial refrigerator and freezer, a bar area (with fridge) and a P.A. System. We welcome:

Wedding Receptions

Birthdays

Anniversary Celebrations

Retirement Parties

Bowling Banquets

Movie and Television production

Please visit our website http://stlawrencehamilton.ca/hall-rentals/ for pricing and more details



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dedicated team of volunteers.

Deadline for submission is the 15th of the month prior to publication. We appreciate an early notice by the 10th of the month if you want to reserve ad space and early submission gives us time to edit your articles. Pictures and logos are accepted and will be included as space allows.

NORTH END BREEZES MISSION:

The North End Breezes is a not-forprofit team of enthusiastic volunteers who produce a monthly newsletter in order to promote community connectivity and mutual support by engaging our North End Neighbours.

NORTH END BREEZES VISION:

The North End Breezes will be a vital resource that promotes harmony, pride and collective community action in a diverse and dynamic neighbourhood.

Help us grow your Breezes.

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Do you already contribute to our publication? Are you interested in sharing your thoughts about layout, design and content? Let's get together! I'd love to hear your ideas. Email or call and let me know. Thanks, Brenda CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE

THE WOMAN WHO STARTED IT ALL

SUBMITTED BY BRENDA DUKE

Then one day someone walked into the office and asked if anyone could help with doing income tax returns. Eva offered to help and the Income Tax Clinic began. Her involvement in the community included teaching many people to sew, knit and crochet during her volunteer time at Welcome Inn on Mary Street. She was always quick to help anyone in need and put others before herself. Eva was liked by everyone and a pillar in the North End community.

Eva worked at North end Information Services until 2001. She had started volunteering at 65 years of age and was 82 when she stopped working on the newsletter after a stroke.

Tracey Googe-Kirby recalls that Eva started the North End Information Services (NEIS) when Tracey was in grade 6. She would meet Eva at the office on James and Simcoe every day after school to walk home, even though the school was right across the road from their home.

Once Eva got permission to start, Tracey helped her in the office, putting the papers together, printing and delivering them. It took 3 days after school to deliver them to the residents.

Later, the Information Centre moved to John and Wood where Eva continued to volunteer until her stroke in 2001. Tracey took over until others could be found to continue the paper.

Eva took pride in her ability to help everyone in the community. Giving them the information, they needed to get the help they needed. She loved her community, all that it provided and still does for everyone.

Chrystal-Ann shares her memories of Eva Googe. "My Grammy was extremely loved and admired by all of her family and by everyone in the community that met her. I have many





memories of my childhood growing up in the "office" of the North End Information Services on John and Wood. I would go every day for lunch and after school since my Mom and Grammy worked there. I would play office, play hide and seek, play in the back office or at the park. When it was time for the paper once a month, I remember how fast my Mom could type without looking up. It amazed me! I always helped with papers by stapling them and I also helped deliver them with the assistance of friends.

My Grammy always wore a woman's trench coat and had a big purse. Whenever it was windy or rainy she wore a foldable plastic rain hat to protect her hair. She always was well groomed and had her hair curled nicely. She used to tease the kids and try to "get them" with her purse. They thought it was hilarious!

I remember being amazed to find out she volunteered there for so many years. She was also dedicated to her Church on James, Calvin Grace. Every Sunday, it was my Grammy who picked up donuts or cookies and put them out with coffee and tea after Church service."

As the current editor of The North End Breezes, I am thrilled to learn about Eva Googe and her dedication to her community and to our publication. Without Eva and her vision, we would not be celebrating today. Possibly her most treasured gift was the ability she had to build a community that believed in her visions and followed her dreams. I only hope that we can continue to carry out those dreams for her.







HAMILTON: BIRTHPLACE OF THE FIST LOCOMOTIVE BUILT IN CANADA

SUBMITTED BY BRIAN ROULSTON

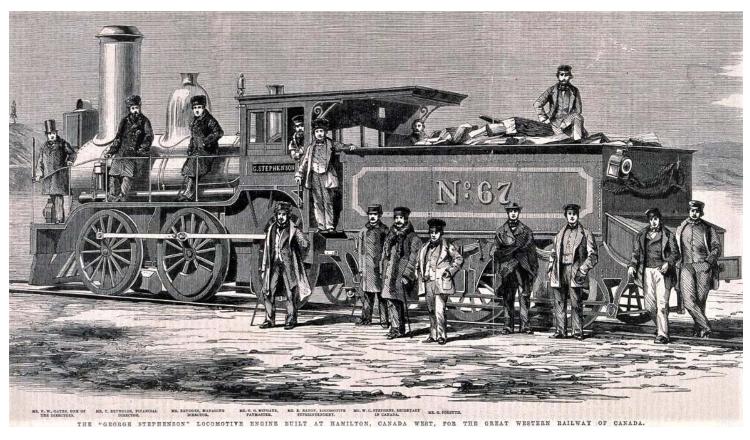
Daniel Charles Gunn was a visionary, a man ahead of his time. He envisioned Hamilton as the industrial hub of Canada, if not the world. Gunn is best known for building the country's first locomotive here in Hamilton in 1856.

Daniel Charles Gunn was born on January 31, 1811, in Woolwich, Kent, England, and died on September 19, 1876. Hamilton Cemetery serves as his last resting place. He and his parents are thought to have immigrated to Canada in 1815. On February 25, 1835, Gunn married Mary Barnum of Barton Township in a ceremony held in Flamborough Township, and he lived at 43 Main Street with his three daughters and two sons. In 1838, Gunn joined the Gore Militia and rose to the rank of lieutenant in the 3rd Regiment.

Before steamships and locomotives, Gunn was twenty-five years old when he became one of the first wharfingers (Harbour Masters) in the Port of Hamilton. He and his business partner, Michael Browne, established Gunn's Wharf at the foot of James Street in 1836. It quickly became one of the busiest wharves along the Hamilton shoreline, with shipments arriving from all over the world. The merchandise was delivered across the community as well as to settlements in the surrounding area of the Golden Horseshoe.

Gunn retired from the wharf in 1847 and dabbled as a land agent for a short time. He bought a small piece of property at the foot of Wellington Street, where he established a small machine shop called Gunn's Works in 1853. Gunn and his men manufactured and repaired stationary engines, farm implements, milling equipment, and, to a lesser extent, steamboats while they wintered in the bay. Gunn had built up a sizable business, and many felt he would have done well if he had stuck to what he was doing.

At the time, along with steamboats, the railway was all the rage in Hamilton, and his old buddy, Allan McNab, was nearing the completion of the Great Western Railway through the city. For the record, the first locomotive used in Canada to transport passengers and/or rail freight was the "Dorchester." It was designed, built, and



shipped from Newcastle, England. On July 21st, 1836, Charles Dickens, author of "A Christmas Carol," was among the passengers on the inaugural journey from La Prairie, Quebec, to St-Jean-Sur-Richelieu.

Gunn convinced himself that he could manufacture locomotives right here in Hamilton and that railway corporations would prefer to buy those produced in Canada. He purchased land on Wentworth Street, adjacent to the north side of the G.W.R (CN Rail) tracks. Previously, this facility was used to build dump cars and other railroad-related heavy machinery for building the Great Western Railway. Gunn invested a substantial amount for the time, \$160,000, in the building of new shops as well as the remodelling of existing ones to meet industry requirements. He opened the first locomotive plant in Canada in 1856, under the name "Locomotive, Steam Engine & Forge Works," often referred to as "Gunn's Locomotive." A deeply religious gentleman who faithfully attended St. Andrews (St. Paul's) Church, a mere stone's throw away from his shops, his religious beliefs were a factor in his decision-making in many aspects of his professional life. The first three locomotives were named after Noah's sons, Ham, Shem, and Japhet. When more business came his way, he gave the newly built locomotives secular names. and towards the end, he decided to use numbers instead of names to identify the Gunn and his 140-plus employees worked to design and build 16 wood-burning locomotive engines in all, with his signature towering smokestacks. Farmers supplemented their wintertime incomes by chopping and stacking wood alongside the tracks. Trains made frequent stops along the way to feed wood into the locomotive's boilers. Engineers took delight in the cleanliness and lustre of their locomotives until coal was introduced in the 1860s. To the chagrin of engineers who took pride in keeping their engines clean and shiny, it became impossible to keep their locomotives clean; wood was also preferred for tossing through the air at the cows that frequently roamed and stubbornly stood across the tracks.

The first two locomotives would go on to become well-known. Engine number two, Shem, was the pride and joy of Gunn's Locomotive Works. It rolled off the assembly line with great fanfare. Hamiltonians marvelled at the fact that anything like it could be built here in Hamilton. Two tests were conducted later that day for the crowd that had gathered along the Great Western Railway. The first test called for Shem to haul 8 cars up the steep incline of the escarpment. The locomotive easily beat that by pulling up 16 cars. Later that afternoon, a speed trial was conducted with just the engine and the tender. The 28-ton engine clocked in at 88 km/h, or 55 mph, a breakneck speed in those days. Ham became famous for being involved in Canada's worst railroad disaster at the time, on June 2, 1864, over the Richelieu

Bridge between Beloeil and St'Hilaire, killing 97 people and 3 crewmembers.

Gunn met, if not exceeded, the standards of the Grand Trunk and Great Western railways, as well as other rail lines operating in the country at the time, at a cost comparable to those built in England and the United States. Gunn's locomotive sold a few engines to the Grand Trunk Railway, which went bankrupt in 1857 due to a severe slump in the economy; eight engines were ordered to be completed immediately but were cancelled while Gunn was in the midst of constructing them. With all his money tied up in those trains, he couldn't pay his employees or creditors. He tried to sell trains to the G.W.R. and other rail lines. Unfortunately, they didn't want to change.

Gunn paid his employees off on Christmas Eve 1857, and Gunn's Works was closed for a good a week later. The shop was sold to Ontario Packing House in 1863. It was destroyed by fire in 1865 and later rebuilt as Essex Meat Packers.

Gunn continued to play a prominent role in Hamilton's business community, believing that Canada should not be dependant on goods from other countries and encouraged protective tariffs for new Canadian businesses. He fostered the city's industrial development, which until then was primarily commercial.

WALKABOUT: HPL BOOKMOBILE

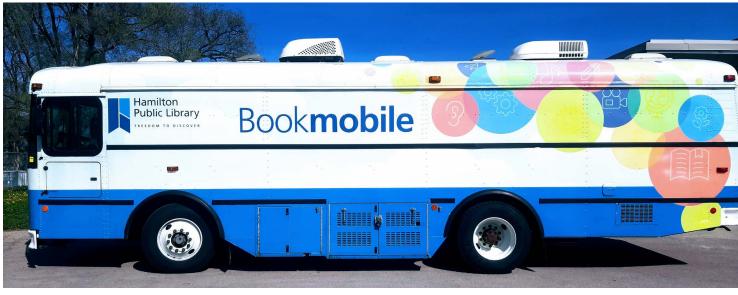
SUBMITTED BY KEN HIRTER

This months Walkabout finds me hopping on the Hamilton Public Library's (HPL) Bookmobile or simply known as the Little Library on Wheels.

Origins & History: Initially a bookmobile was an idea set in motion in 1949, brought forth and voted yes by Hamilton City Council in 1954. On December 20th of 1956 Hamilton residents experienced the first Traveling Branch Bookmobile which rolled onto the streets of Hamilton. Did you know that within 2 months February of 1957 showed proof of the Bookmobile success was with circulation numbers exceeding the Old Main Library's Branch with a circulation of 130,000.

Today: Celebrating 65 years of continuous service and serving the communities with 2 Bookmobiles at 12 neighborhood stops and 25 Senior Residences. As of 2014 the circulation is at around 123,000. Providing on site services from placing holds, inquiries, pickup and check out. The configuration of the Bookmobile spacious. With categories and topics ranging from cooking to gardening, fiction and non fiction and a children's section. You will also find a selection of DVD movies, CD music and magazine's too!!!

I commented how the Bookmobile



reminded me of the Partridge Family School Bus only cooler with books for your reading pleasure.

Thanks to the folks at the Hamilton Public Library's Bookmobile for making my boarding upon the Bookmobile a pleasant experience on the bus.

Must say, this bus packs in a lot for this space and the Hamilton's Public Library's Bookmobile stop is located at 450 Hughson St. N in the parking lot of Bennetto Community Center next door to the Compass Community Health Center. Please note that the Bookmobile is here every Thursday between 4.30 - 5.00.

For a complete list of all of the Bookmobile Stops please visit the Hamilton Public Library's webpage @ www.hpl. ca

Till next month, take care & cheers.









WATERFRONT SHORES PARTNERS: FAVOURITE EVENTS

From annual favourites to first-of-its kind events, there's no shortage of amazing things to do in Hamilton this summer. Mark your calendars – these are just some of the upcoming events the Waterfront Shores Partners' are looking forward to in the coming months.

North End Breezes 50th anniversary celebration:

This month, the beloved North End Breezes community newspaper is celebrating an exciting milestone - its 50th anniversary. Taking place June 18th 1-4pm at the Macassa Bay Yacht Club, stop by to say thank you to the wonderful volunteers that make the North End Breezes possible, or stay longer to enjoy the BBQ, entertainment and silent auction. To reserve your spot today, email office@northendbreezes.com

Music on the Waterfront:

Music on the Waterfront, hosted by Hamilton Waterfront Trust is back again, starting July! The free event happens every Tuesday night from 6:30-9:30pm at Pier 8's Waterfront Stage (weather permitting). Last year's line-up included The Personics, Troy Harmer Trio, Miles Evans Band and more. Visit www.hamiltonwaterfront.com to learn more about this year's programming.

Hamilton Harbourfront Night Market:

Calling all foodies! Didn't get the chance to make it to last year's Hamilton Harbourfront Night Market? You're in luck, because the event that aims to emulate the busy nightlife and night markets all over Asia, is back for another year, July 29th-August 1st at Bayfront Park. Enjoy yummy food, shopping and waterfront views after dark at this free event. Donations are accepted at the door, and all proceeds raised go towards fundraising for future events. Keep an eye on https://hhnightmarket.ca for this year's food vendors and merchants.

Hamilton Harbour Fishing Derby:

Running alongside the shoreline from Princess Point to Pier 8, the Hamilton Harbour Fishing Derby returns on August 13th from 8am-noon. We're sure this beloved event is slated to be bigger than ever. This is a free event (no registration required), and the first 1,000 children under 12 will earn free fishing rods. Stay tuned for this year's programming details at www.hamiltonwaterfront.com.

Supercrawl:

Hamilton's biggest arts and music festival that lures more than 250,000 visitors annually returns this year, September 9th-11th on James St. North. Supercrawl fuses new and independent music with art installations, fashion, performance, literature, theatre, and artisanal craft, with sound, performance, visual and media arts staged along a pedestrian-only creative corridor in the heart of downtown.

North End Breezes 50th anniversary celebration, Music on the Waterfront, Hamilton Harbourfront Night Market, Hamilton Harbour Fishing Derby and Supercrawl are just a few of the many events happening this summer, and we're thrilled to see the city come alive again as we all experience the best Hamilton has to offer

To learn more about the Pier 8 development, visit: www.pier8living.com

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JOYFUL STEWARD VS. HARD LABOURING GARDENER

SUBMITTED BY CANDY VENNING

Stark, highly controlled gardens, as ideals of perfect dominance over nature, leave me cold. Show me a wild and woolly, happy place, a lush backyard oasis with caterpillars and butterflies, singing birds and buzzin bumblebees to elicit gushy praise. Still, as much as I deplore invasive species (still sold at every garden centre) and adore native plants (that those birds and bees need) I hardly expect everyone to rip up their lawn, toss the boxwoods and ditch the concept of design and order. The good news is, there's a place where both sides can cooperate and gently move forward while supporting the environment and your aesthetic needs.

Plants have homelands, just like people or origins if you prefer – the closer that plant is to its preferred habitat the better it will grow, the less vulnerable to pests and diseases, less maintenance, pruning, watering, it will require. It's an easy first step to incorporate Coneflowers, and Liatris for sun or Sensitive ferns and Bloodroot for shade. Adding a little 'wildscaping' to the garden is of enduring benefit for the local fauna and of course your own joyous state of mind at seeing the butterflies, hummingbirds or big fuzzy bees. Fresh water, less machinery, less mowing and blowing, a branch filled pile of 'debris' for native bees and even a dedicated compost pile if you can swing it. Some favorite annuals to have for all summer colour include Canna lily (attracts hummingbirds)- use it in pots or beds (great for filling a blank sunny spot), tall Nicotiana for its evening scent which attracts Sphinx moths and hummingbirds, Single flowered Dahlias (as opposed to the doubles – whenever the insects can get to the nectar you have a winner) plus lovely, scented, Alyssum and dangling fuschias in baskets, again great for Hummingbirds.

Though not as glamourous, soil is of the utmost importance as it's an entire ecosystem on its own. Creatures are at work breaking down leaves and debris so that a shady woodland garden is able to support lush ferns, trilliums and even native orchids. To amend our soil we sometimes add manure in the spring or fall but always sweep or 'leave the leaves' in the



perennial beds. The leaves act as mulch to keep out weeds and add 'sponginess' with the ability to hold water and assist in times of drought. Turning the soil (as many land-scape maintenance companies do) is actually detrimental to the complex system as it disturbs the roots of perennials and bulbs,

and kills off those highly beneficial nematodes, fungi, and insects as well as turning 'spongy' to dusty, causing dryness and erosion. Relax and allow worms and water to percolate the nutrients from leaves or compost into the soil for you and never buy a bag of soil again.

A lawn is the homeowner's version of a meadow – it's traditional sure, BUT you could be the first on your block to grow an actual flowering meadow! Suitable on a large lot with paths mown through, what an absolute enchantment, you'll be chasing birds off your once-was-a-lawn all year. Still love your grass? consider overseeding with innovative and dependable alternative, Eco-lawn. Drought tolerant, shade tolerant, requires no fertilizing and can be mown like regular grass or left un-mown for a free-flowing 'carpet effect'. (More info

on their homepage www.wildflowerfarm. com) Perhaps you'd like to rescue yourself from the tyranny of fixing, storing, buying, gassing and starting a mower as well as repairing burnout patches from dog pee? Good news! Many smaller gardens don't need grass at all. Children and puppies will still frolic with a small patio or low deck incorporating mulch or gravel pathways, plus some interesting shrubs and groundcovers. (as a kid I never liked grass, I lost my smaller toys in it, got a wet butt sitting on it and was never sure where some animal had left a 'surprise' aka poop)

So don't bag and toss your leaves, consider reducing or eliminating the lawn, never mind turning the soil. Plant some natives this year or up your annual game then count the benefits of your 'lacklabour' rewards towards a more ecological garden.



LIBRARY EVENTS FOR JUNE

All HPL branches are closed on July 1 for Canada Day.

Day & Time	Description	Location
Thursday June 9, 5-6pm	A guided tour of the art at Central Library and the Art Gallery of Hamilton.	In-Branch Program https://events.hpl.ca/event/ 6626534
Thursday Bookmobile Stop, Bennetto, 4:30pm-5pm	Visit the Bennetto Community Centre every Thursday, 4:30pm-5pm, for your next read, watch or listen.	Bookmobile In-person www.hpl.ca/bookmobile
Running until Fall 2022	Hamilton Reads 2022 – Join the Conversation Let's chat about this year's One Book One Community read, <i>Tainna</i> by Norma Dunning. Join a book club, participate in an In-Branch or Online program and take on the reading challenge.	Online and In-person programming www.hpl.ca/Hamilton- Reads
Fri. 3, 12:00pm - 1:00pm	Noon Hour Concert PIQSIQ: Throat Singing Watch a recording of performances by talented, local artists. This week's artist PIQSIQ takes the virtual stage. Kayley Inuksuk Mackay and Tiffany Kuliktana Ayalik are Inuit style throat singers performing ancient traditional songs and new compositions.	Online Hamilton Public Library HPL YouTube Channel
Sat 11 10:00am: 40pm	Shop for one-of-a-kind items made by talented local Indigenous artists and makers at Central Library. Markets feature an array of items from jewelry to ceramics to leatherwork and literature. Beadwork by Kay: Kanien'kehá:ka (Mohawk) beaded jewelry, pins, accessories and traditional ribbon skirts. Good Stuff Pots: Ceramic wares including lidded pots, vases and bowls. Michele Dent: Smelling dolls, ornaments, wall hangings and doll pins.	In-person at Central Library https://hpl.ca/indigenous- market
Sat. 18 10:00am- 4:00pm	Shop for one-of-a-kind items made by talented local Indigenous artists and makers at Central Library. Markets feature an array of items from jewelry to ceramics to leatherwork and literature. Eahwahewi: Book for purchase: Recover. Rebuild. Reclaim Self: The Empowerment of Eahwahewi'. House of Beads: Beaded earrings, cases and wristlets; dream catchers, stickers, photo keychains. Smith Brothers Trading: Smelling dolls, ornaments, wall hangings and doll pins.	In-person at Central Library https://hpl.ca/indigenous- market

Each month until December, shop for one-of-a-kind items made by talented local Indigenous artists and makers at Central Library. Markets feature an array of items from jewelry to ceramics to leatherwork and literature. Markets are held the second and third Saturdays 10am to 4pm. To find more programmes visit HPL.ca/guide.

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- CASH paid daily. Looking for a couple of mature adults to do deliveries to customer's homes. You will need to lift at least 35lbs., and be able to go up and downstairs if necessary, to do short distance deliveries in Hamilton. Starting mid afternoon to 10pm you can work 4-6 days a week. You will need a float of at least \$35 to make change as a float will be provided to you to purchase items. Please call 905-572-0706 10am to 8pm., Monday to Friday.
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- Roommate wanted to share an apartment. Reasonable rent plus shared responsibilities. Please call 289-389-1070
- Lawn Mowing: I am a 14 year old boy looking to make some money over the summer by mowing lawns in the north end. If interested call Ezra Oucharek at 905-517-1661.
- Children's Birthday Parties: Make your child's birthday the talk of the neighbourhood. Earlee the Entertainer will make it happen Magic, balloons, paintable tattoos for only \$75.00 per hour North End Neighbours special rate of \$65.00 per hour Call Earl Ross 289-439-0166
- Downtown Delivery Driver: Looking for a MATURE adult to do deliveries in the City of Hamilton's lower city. Trips / tips / extras you keep. You should have a float of at least \$75 to make change for customers as a float will be provided to you to purchase items. If you are interested, please call 905-921-9339 and ask for Pearl.
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Community Visitation:

For seniors who are not feeling quite ready to participate in person, we offer regular phone calls as a way of providing friendship and support.

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