

Noteworthy Reflections

Contributed by Jim Tremeer

On the Third Monday in June, from 1860 to 1951, the Salem Mariposa Sunday School held a salad supper in the church basement. This was the biggest fund raising event of any of the church activities each year. All the women and men of the church congregation and Sunday School pitched in to provide large amounts food and labour to make this event a success.

The tables were set up, tablecloths were spread out, plates, a cup and saucer and silverware arranged at each place setting, decorations were arranged and a chair set to each place setting on Saturday afternoon. I estimate that between 50 and 60 people could sit at each sitting and that there would be at least 3 full sittings.

Some things were not the most convenient; hot water for washing dishes had to be heated on an old stove in the cookhouse on the eastside of the lot and carried over to the pantry. The tea and coffee were made in the cookhouse and carried across as needed.

A refreshment booth, that sold pop, ice cream, chocolate bars, popcorn etc. was in the open shed and for many years there was a ball game across the road for early evening entertainment.

After everyone was served supper and the dishes were washed, an evening of various entertainments was held in the big steel shed each year.

This was a community event that drew people from all over the area and other churches every summer; everyone looked forward to this supper every year.



Stories in Stone



This year, the "Stories in Stone" feature turns its focus to our veterans.

We pay special tribute to those valiant young men from the Salem-Mariposa Church community who served our country in the two world wars:

World War I

Cecil Hodgson
Tom Holland
Gladwin Davey
Preston Davey

World War II

Ivan Moore
Lewis Davey
George Maddock
Cecil Ham
Manson Weaver

Members of the Salem-Mariposa Church Building and Cemetery Board

Bruce Davey, President
Everett Davey, Secretary
Doug Moore, Treasurer
David Smeall, Director
Karen Spearing, Director
Lewis Tremeer, Director

Donna Campbell, Financial Officer
Garry Smith, Cemetery Manager

Front: Jack Clarke, Charlie Clarke, Albert Clarke, Ganton Clarke, et al
Back: Muriel (Hill) Corneil, Edith Tremeer, et al, on buggy platform in front church shed (circa 1930)

SALEM-MARIPOSA CHURCH BUILDING & CEMETERY BOARD

Celebrating Lives

ANNUAL NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2014

Greetings to All

From the President

I hope we find you all in good stead. You may be aware of some of the highlights of 2013/14 if you are a regular visitor to our website. If on the other hand you are not so inclined there may be a need to update you on what has been happening with Salem since you last heard from us.

Of course you have seen our new steps at the church entrance. This much needed improvement was completed by Dave Smeall and his very capable team. There will be some spring landscaping to finish off the project.

Take a look at the fall financial appeal update which is further along in this newsletter. Remember funds over \$20.00 are tax deductible. If you have already sent in your contribution on behalf of the board, thank you. In this appeal we are still a ways from our final goal and so have included here a donation envelope. If you require further info regarding this project please don't hesitate to contact us.

We have been very busy over the last months developing our Vision and Statements (see "Accomplishments"—Page 3). This activity is necessary as we move forward with our plans for the church building and cemetery. Doug Moore has been guiding the board through this process.

Also, in the past couple of years Jim Tremeer has been compiling a history of Salem Corners. The board feels Jim's work is a very worthwhile endeavour and has chosen to give him any assistance that he requires in order to get the compilation published. It is anticipated that it will be available in the near future. Thank you to Jim for his many hours of research for this project.

As is required in our bylaws one board member's term of service expires this year. That means there is an opening for another keen and enthusiastic person from our membership to step forward and offer their time to the future of Salem-Mariposa Church Building & Cemetery. Those wishing to be nominated need to submit their name in writing to the secretary 14 days before the Annual Meeting. Please send to: Everett Davey, 506-2650 Marsdale Dr., Peterborough ON K9L 1Y2. Plans are moving ahead for the Decoration Day Service and

AGM which will be held at the church on the third Sunday of July.

The next couple of years are going to be very exciting because we are much closer to considering possible uses for the church building and grounds. It is very important to have your input regarding this planning venture.

Therefore, we need you to continue to be involved. That can be done partially by your presence at the summer meeting and in addition checking the website regularly to see what is happening. If you have any thoughts regarding the church/cemetery don't hesitate to speak with us.

The board of directors continues to maintain our newly designated building and the cemetery. It is important to keep our property in a condition which is mindful of the high expectations of families who have chosen our cemetery as their final resting place and for potential new members who are considering us to be part of their future needs. Keeping that in mind we will carry-on supporting our very dedicated property staff.

In closing I would like to thank the board of directors for their many hours of volunteerism over the past year. We all look forward to visiting with you in July and once again I encourage you to bring family and friends to our place of reflection and hope.

Kindest regards,
Bruce Davey

Save the Date

Memorial Decoration Day Service & Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Sunday, July 20, 2014—1:30 p.m.

Annual General Meeting

(to follow Service—at approximately 2:15 p.m.)

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Opening Prayers
2. Approval of Minutes and Agenda
3. Business Arising
4. New Business

VISION STATEMENT:

The Salem-Mariposa Church Building and Cemetery Board is committed to the celebration of lives lived through the provision of quality cemetery facilities and services. The on-going preservation of this community landmark is the Board's priority, in order to sustain and, where possible, enhance the welcoming environment that the cemetery and the church building provide to bereaved families and the extended community. In pursuing this vision, the Board preserves and honours the heritage of past generations, serves and respects the needs of the present generation, and provides a legacy for future generations.

Annual Report

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY 2013

The financial statement, prepared by Donna Campbell, was examined and approved by Don and Morag Found.

Revenues

Earnings, GICs, Trust Funds	\$ 66.92
Donations: Memorial Decoration Service	1,500.00
Fees: Interments	506.50
Sale of Interment Rights	0.00
Donations: Special Appeal*	2,150.00
Donations: Legacy Gift**	2,000.00
GICs Matured & Redeemed	20,974.34
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	\$ 27,197.76

Expenditures

Grounds Keeping/Top Soil	\$ 950.00
Insurance	724.68
OACFP Membership Fee	139.27
Financial Fees 2011 & 2012 Tax Filing	581.95
Printing	283.63
Website	49.00
Memorial Decoration Service	180.00
Interment Costs	100.00
In Trust Fund Transfer	150.00
GICs Purchased	4,500.00
Pest Control (Bees & Bats)	1,796.70
Reconstruction of Church Steps	18,364.59
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	\$ 27,819.82

Cash on Hand*	\$ 6,463.02
GIC Investments	\$ 4,500.00

Thank you everyone for your financial support in 2013.

* Note: Special appeal funds in the amount of \$2,150.00 were transferred to cashable GICs in January 2014.

Salem-Mariposa Church Building & Cemetery is registered as a Charitable Organization by Canada Revenue Agency. Official receipts for income tax purposes can be issued for donations of \$20.00 or more.

** Salem-Mariposa Church & Cemetery Board is grateful to receive legacy gifts to honour loved ones and estate bequests offered to preserve the future continuity of this special place.

Special appreciation is extended to Evelyn Louden for her **legacy gift in 2013 in honour of her parents, Ellsworth and Jessie Davey, and her brother, Lewis Davey. This gift has been placed into GIC investment for long term revenue.

Acknowledgements Special Appeal Fund

The special appeal launched in November 2013 received a response total of ***\$2,150.00** in 2013 and **\$1,325.00** in 2014 (as of the time of this mailing).

Appreciation is extended to the following for their generous donations:

Archer, Phillip & Betty	Maddock, Doug & Dawn
Campbell, Ian & Donna	Mollon, Roy E.
Davey, Bruce and Lynne	Mollon, Gary & Lili
Davey, Everett & Gloria	Moore, Doug
Davey, Harold & Maria	Moore, Lorne
Davey, June	Smeall, Dave & Kathi
Fairman, Ross & Donna	Spearing, Terry & Karen
Found, Donald & Morag	Stephens, Jo-Anne
Found, George & Heather	Thornton, Thomas A.
Frain, Gord & Darlene	Tremeer, Elliott & Joan
Glenn, Dennis & Pat	Tremeer, Harvey & Janice
Harold, William & Linda	Tremeer, Jim & Shirley
Jacobs, Jack & Connie	Tremeer, Lewis & Dianne
Jewell, Lori	

Additional donations are welcomed to build up the reserve fund. **Donors contributing to the Special Appeal Fund prior to June 30th will be acknowledged at the July service.**

In Memoriam

Cemetery Interments during 2013

Rosemarie Jane Keehn
William David Brown

Accomplishments

actions decisions achievements

- ◆ In February 2014, the Board approved a vision (refer to header—above) and mission statement (refer to footer—below) that summarizes the strategic vision for the church building and cemetery through to 2021.

- ◆ **New Church Steps:** Successful demolition of the old concrete steps and installation of approved pressure treated wood system and new concrete sidewalk. Thanks again to "The Crew". Please check the website for additional pictures.



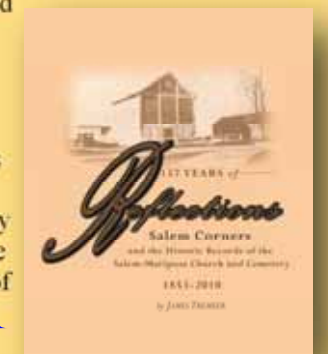
- ◆ In 2004, Ian Campbell, Chair of the Salem Church & Cemetery Board of Trustees, initiated the process of historical designation for Salem-Mariposa United Church within the municipality of City of Kawartha Lakes. The project was completed by July 2005 and the dedication ceremony took place during the memorial decoration service of that year, including the planting of six heritage Canadian sugar maple trees in the churchyard. A commemorative plaque was presented to Board member Everett Davey by Bill Bateman, Chair of the Heritage Committee for City of Kawartha Lakes on July 21, 2013. The plaque will be mounted permanently on the north side of the church near the new steps.



Left to Right: Everett Davey and Bill Bateman (see adjacent note)

- ◆ Another successful grounds and building clean-up on May 4, 2013. Proposed clean-up for 2014 (focus on landscaping) will be May 3, 2014. Additional volunteers are always welcome!

- ◆ Jim Tremeer's book, Reflections: Salem Corners and the Historical Records of the Salem-Mariposa Church and Cemetery, is now complete. A limited number of copies will be available for purchase on Memorial Decoration Day in July for \$30 per copy. Jim will be on hand at the services to autograph the book. A special thanks to everyone who came up with old pictures, did proof reading, helped to get the material ready for publication and helped with the



MISSION STATEMENT:

- A. To operate and maintain the Salem-Mariposa Church Building and Cemetery in Manilla, Ontario;
- B. To restore, develop and preserve the Salem-Mariposa Church Building and Cemetery with a view to educate the public about, and commemorate the Salem-Mariposa Church Building and Cemetery;
- C. To undertake activities ancillary and incidental to the amendment of the above purpose.