

**Township of Bruce Historical Society
Annual Report 2013-2014**

We have had another successful year with 15 Directors, including Audrey Ribey who joined this past year.

There are presently 61 paid members and our membership fee is \$2.00 a year.

We pay an annual membership fee of \$55.00 to the Ontario Historical Society.

The Kenzie Foster Award recipients Stephanie Gomes and Angika Van Veen were presented with a copy of our Bruce Township Tales and Trails and the Laneways and Landmarks books.

We received 4 binders from Hilda Downey's collection for our archives. One binder contains a transcribed 1881 census from Bruce Township-District 1. We would like to thank Hilda's daughter Janet Robertson for this donation.

Eleanor Thompson took our Annual General Meeting display "Trees-Any Branch" to the Tiverton Agricultural Society Fall Fair in October.

Anne Judd attended the Heritage Networking Forum in February where she also set up our display "Trees-Any Branch" for the participants to view.

These displays are always well received and we thank our Directors who volunteer their time to keep the public informed of our activities.

Several of the Directors attended the Tiverton Rate Payers Association presentation to the Municipality of Kincardine Council meeting in March regarding the sale of Bruce Telecom to East Link.

We are planning to identify the unmarked pioneer cemeteries in Bruce Township, possibly with plaques. We feel this will help the public to locate these sites.

Marguerite Caldwell launched her book "Before Surveyors Line was Run" in February, which features the early Paisley settlers.

Anne Judd compiled the 2nd Edition of "Bruce Day By Day".

John Kaminski edited the "Glamis Then and Now" book by the Glamis Historical Researchers.

We congratulate these Directors for their great accomplishments and for providing us with such informative history of our area.

We are thankful for the monetary contributions from the following:

Municipality of Brockton (to help with the revitalization of the Lovat plaque site)

Memorial donations in memory of Bonnie Collins

The Municipality of Kincardine Community Grant

These funds will allow us to continue our projects including new signage and the purchase of archival supplies.

**Rosemary Beath
Secretary**