

## The Township of Bruce Historical Society Annual Report (2018-2019)

The Township of Bruce Historical Society meets for nine months of the year, with now 12 Directors. We welcome new Director, Bill Thorne, this year. We have 70 members, many of which hold life memberships. During President John Dahmer's winter absence, Vice-President Audrey Ribey capably chaired the meetings.

The recipient of the 2018 Kenzie Foster Award was Blain Ribey at Ecole Port Elgin Saugeen Central School.

Deb Sturdevant, from the Bruce County Museum and Cultural Centre attended our October meeting. She explained the new policy going forward for donated materials. A Deed of Gift form needs to be completed. At our Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, a Deed of Gift form was completed by Anne Judd and signed by the Secretary and Vice-President, stating that our V.H.S. tapes be transferred to the Museum to be used according to the agreement. It was decided to convert our DVDs to a USB key.

We are seeking permission from the Municipality of Kincardine for continued use of the vault for storing our materials at the Underwood location.

We continue to participate in other organizations' events such as placing a wreath at Remembrance Day in Tiverton and setting up our theme displays at the Tiverton Fair. We will be setting up displays for the Tiverton Reunion July 1<sup>st</sup> week-end.

The video committee continue to interview and record more life stories of seniors who have lived in Bruce Township. A new list was compiled by the Directors

We are thankful for the Community Investment Grant from the Municipality of Kincardine. It will be used to hire a videographer to capture the life stories of our Bruce Township residents and events at our Annual Meeting.

One of our valued 20 year Director, Eleanor Thompson, celebrated her 85<sup>th</sup> birthday in March of this year.

At our 2018 Annual Meeting, on behalf of the Directors, Eleanor Thompson presented Anne Judd with a watch for her exemplary 35 years of service as a present day Director and as one of the founding Directors of the Township of Bruce Historical Society.

John Kaminski, a former Director, continues to maintain our web site [www.bruce-township.ca](http://www.bruce-township.ca)  
We thank him for that.

Helen Burnside (Secretary)