

Bailey's Bulletin

Volume 22 Issue 1

Feb 2018

A publication of the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society Founded September 1996

Our Society's logo was designed by Jim Elliott, who was a retired graphic artist and charter member of the HMHS. We are proud to display this logo on the masthead of our newsletters and stationery.

Bailey's Bulletin is named in honour of the Reverend T. Melville Bailey, who was a proud Mountain resident and founder of the HMHS.

Bailey's Bulletin is published three times per year.

Annual General Meeting

The Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society held our annual meeting on January 18, 2018 at the South Gate Presbyterian Church.

The executive members elected for 2018 are as follows:

Past-President: Lee Gowers President: Robin McKee Vice-President: Joachim Brouwer Treasurer: John Buchanan Recording Secretary: January Will Membership Secretary: Susanne Noordyk Archivist: Mary Pomfret Counselor: Dr. Diane Dent Counselor and Speaker Coordinator: David Lindeman Counselor and Newsletter Editor: Joe Mielko Counselor and Mountain News Columnist: Robert Williamson

Murray Aikman, who serves as the Society's historian, will be stepping down after serving on the executive continuously since our founding in 1996.

Tom Allan who served as Treasurer and organized many June outings will be retiring from the executive after ten years but will continue to be our Publications Chair.

Other non-executive positions include Facebook Editor - Kathryn Shanley and Website Administrator - Bob Bernhardt.

Recent Mountain History Publications

Robert Williamson's monthly columns have appeared in the Mountain News for the past four years educating the public about Mountain history and promoting our meetings. Bob has produced a coil-bound collection of his columns with colour photos and sketches which is already in its second printing. Copies are \$20.

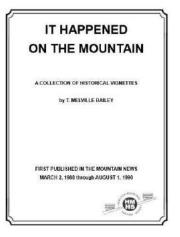


A COLLECTION OF HISTORICAL STORIES AND EVENTS





ROBERT JAMES WILLIAMSON



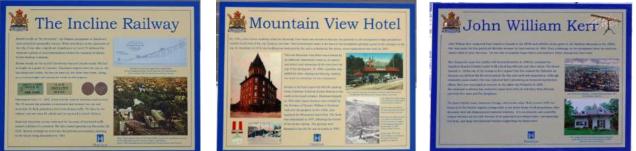
From March 1988 to August 1990 the Rev. T. Melville Bailey, future founder of the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society, published a series of articles in *The Mountain News*. The society has reprinted the collection of vignettes in a booklet which is available for \$10.

Mountain History Plaques

The brass plaque in Southam Park which recorded the history of the Hamilton and Barton Incline Railway and the Mountain View Hotel was stolen in 2016 and has now been replaced by two plaques in a more visible location, by the sidewalk on Upper James.

A new plaque about John William Kerr has also been installed at the eastern end of Concession Street in Mountain Drive Park.

The new non-metal plaques allow for the use of photos, are graffiti-resistant and are not a target for metal theft.



Upcoming Programme Dates

Meetings of the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society, unless otherwise noted, are held on the third Thursday of January, March, May, September and November. Occasionally special meetings are arranged in buildings of historical interest.

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm and visitors are most welcome.

MAR 15, 2018 Mountain Medical History

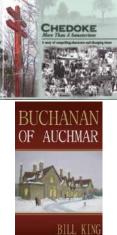
Robert Williamson will speak on the writing experience he had creating the book "Chedoke, More Than a Sanatorium". The emphasis is on what we can accomplish as historians and how to make it memorable.

MAY 17, 2018 Buchanan of Auchmar

Bill King will present a talk on his recently published book about the Honorable Isaac Buchanan and his Mountain home Auchmar.

Please note our new meeting location:

The South Gate Presbyterian Church 120 Clarendon Ave. Rear entrance door and parking lot can be accessed from Terrace Dr.



Test your "Mountain Memories"

The Hamilton Fire Department built its first station on the Mountain, Station No. 12, in 1930.

It was located on East 23rd Street at the corner of Crockett Street.

What year was the station closed? a) 1939 b) 1954

c) 1969

The answer is on the last page of this newsletter.



Upcoming Events

Heritage Day at Hamilton City Hall

Saturday, February 24, 2018 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



The Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society and other local heritage volunteer associations belonging to the Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association will have interpretive displays set up in the foyer beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Heritage Awards Ceremony will begin at 12:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Light refreshments will be served after the awards are presented.

Free parking will be available on the upper level at City Hall (access from Hunter St. W.)



P.O. Box 60506, Mtn. Plaza R.P.O. Hamilton ON L9C 7N7 <u>hamiltonheritage1@gmail.com</u>

www.hamiltonheritage.ca



HMHS Memberships

The annual membership fee for the Hamilton Mountain Heritage Society is \$20 for an individual or family. The membership year is January to December. Visit Susanne at the next meeting to purchase or renew your membership – or submit your fee to our mailing address. Membership forms are available at: www.hamiltonheritage.ca.

Answer: b) Station 3 at Upper James and Fennell and Station 4 at Upper Gage and Queensdale were opened in 1954 when Station 12 was closed after less than 25 years in service.

