

A warm June day in the late 19th and 20th centuries provided the perfect set-ting for students and staff to celebrate the end of the school year and the begin-ning of summer holidays. School sections near the St. Clair River in the former Moore Township celebrated these occasions with a picnic on Stag Island. The Moore Museum collection includes several ribbons that served as souvenirs of these events. An example of one of these ribbons, shown right, is from the 1900 Seckerton School picnic (School Section #12, Moore, a.k.a. Booth's School, which was located on the southwest corner of Moore Line and Ladysmith Road). Sunday School picnics were also popular and very well attended, as evi-denced by the above photo of the Sixth Line Methodist Church Sunday School picnic from 1893. (The church was located in Seckerton, one sideroad east of the school.)

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~Photos and information from the Moore Museum Collection

## Notice Bear Creek Cemetery Company

Bear Creek Cemetery has submitted by-laws to the Registrar of the Funer-al, Burial, and Cremation Services Act, 2002. Any interested parties may contact Russell Marsh at 519-331-1798 for information or to make copies. Bylaws or amendments may be reviewed or copied at 3393 Telfer Road, Moorétown, Ontario.

These by-laws are subject to the approval of the Registrar, Funeral, Buri-al, and Cremation Services Act, 2002. Contact can be made by telephone to: Bereavement Authority of Ontario, 647-483-2645 or 1-844-493-6356.

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## Two dedicated volunteers retire Two dedicated Sombra Museum volunteers recently retired after devoting many years of service to the preservation of their community's heritage. Museum Curator Kailyn Shepley offers this note of thanks to these long-time friends of the museum.

"It is with sadness, but also with much gratitude, that we an-nounce the retirement, effective January 2020, of long-serving members Catherine Bouman and Murray McAllister. We thank them for their many years of dedicated service as members of the Sombra Museum Board

Both have been dedicated museum volunteers for well over a decade. They were involved with many projects, including the construction of the Sombra Museum Cultural Centre in 2011. Catherine dedicated hundreds of hours to the archives, organizing, researching, compiling citizen files, and much more. She also spent time working on the gardens and in the Bury House. Murray was a dedicated volunteer in collection storage. A brick will be installed along the St. Clair River Trail in Som-

bra in honour of each of them.

Thank you Catherine and Murray! Your service has been invaluable. We will miss you both and we wish you all the best!

## Farewell to a good friend -Charlie Grant

It is with a heavy heart that we say goodbye to another member of the Sombra Museum family. Former board member



and volunteer Charlie Grant, who has been with the museum for several decades, passed away in February. A commemorative brick will be installed in his memory along the St. Clair River ~Kailyn Shepley, curator Traíl in Sombra.



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The St. Clair River Trail Facebook page and website has added a new promotional video to its photo archive. The natural beauty of the trail comes alive on the screen.

And while you're looking at the video and submitted photographs, why not send us some of the shots you've while enjoying the taken trail?

Like the St. Clair River Trail on Facebook and message us your pictures.

Check out Trail Facebook page, video, website