



August 6, 2025 Newsletter

Dear Members of the Pelham Historical Society

I trust that everyone is enjoying this short respite from the extreme heat and humidity. We could certainly use some rain. In advance of the upcoming season, here are some items of interest to the membership.

The Pelham Historical Society's 50th Anniversary will be marked at our meeting on September 20th. Our group was formed at a meeting at North Pelham Church in September of 1975.

Here is the agenda for our upcoming meetings.

- Sept. 20, 2025 - 'A Beginning but no End? The Debate over the Southern Terminus of the Welland Canada – Pelham Historical Society member Michelle Vosburgh,
- Oct. 18, 2025 - 'Thorold History, Development of Communities in the City' - Sarah King Head,
- Nov. 22, 2025- Annual General Meeting and 'Historical Niagara' with local History Enthusiast Dave Bennison,
- Feb. 28, 2026 - 'Member's Interest Meeting', a very popular item,
- Mar. 28, 2026- 'Is there a Loyalist in Your Family Tree?' - Janet Hodgkins,
- Apr. 25, 2026- 'Reunion of Giants, Lancaster Tour 2014' - Leon Evans, Lancaster pilot and Fonthill resident,
- May 30, 2026 - 'Honouring Indigenous Heritage Through Trails', Niagara Region Native Centre in NOTL,
- Sep. 26, 2026 - 'Tremaine Maps of Lincoln and Welland Counties' – Pelham Historical Society member, Graham Segger
- Oct. 24, 2026- 'The Purple Poppy - Remembering Animal Service in War' – Pelham Historical Society member, Carolyn Botari.

Your executive passed a motion to change the yearly membership fee to \$10 (from \$5) effective 1 October 2025. This new fee is still lower than any similar groups in the region.

Best regards to all,
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