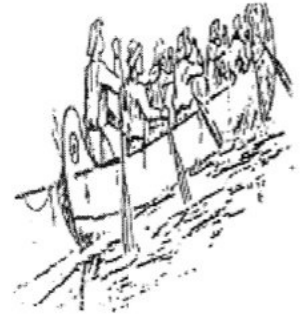

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NEXT MEETING

Date: April 2, 2009
Time: 8:00 p.m.
Location: Alexandria United Church-on-the-Hill
Topic: *Writing S.D.G. Works of History*



This is the Time to Rewind, Remind.

- The support of All Members is needed.
- As a Society member, would you be interested in doing more? This is *your invitation* to volunteer and get involved in ways you would enjoy.
- *2009 Annual Memberships* are due as of *February 1st* (\$15 single; \$20 family) and *Lifetime membership* is available. If you need to do so, you can renew in person at a meeting or you can mail your renewal TO: *Membership, The Glengarry Historical Society* at the above address. ✉
- *Society Newsletter*. We encourage the use of electronic mail for obvious cost saving reasons. Kindly provide us with your email address if you are comfortable with this mode. 📧



- *Dane Lanken writes:*

HOW ever did Frances and Clive Marin, natives of Britain and new residents of Ingleside, Ont., end up spending decades researching and writing the history of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry?

"Easy," says Clive. "We answered an ad."

That was back in the early 1970s. Tri-county council was looking for an update on the history of SDG that the Cornwall lawyer, John Harkness, had published in 1946. They put an ad in the papers, and the Marins bit.

"I was teaching school," Clive Marin

says. "But both Frances and I were history graduates from the University of Edinburgh. I guess that qualified us to some degree."

Remarkably, it had also been an ad that brought the Marins to Canada in the first place, an ad for a teacher in a school on Fogo Island, Nfld. They spent a year there, and loved it. But then yet another ad brought them to Ingleside, Ont., and a long career for Clive teaching history at the high school there.

"There hasn't really been a lot of planning to all this," Clive said. "But we've been here in Eastern Ontario for many years now, and it's all worked out very nicely."

Their first history, *Stormont Dundas and Glengarry 1945-1978*, appeared in 1982, and the follow-up, *Stormont Dundas and Glengarry 1975-2007*, just last fall. Both are major works, reader-friendly and yet vital repositories of area social, political and cultural history.

Frances and Clive Marin will explain how they came to create these wonderful works, and reveal some of the trials and triumphs they experienced along the way, at the next meeting of the Glengarry Historical Society, 8 p.m., Thursday, April 2, at the Church on the Hill, Alexandria.

President's Notes

- *Allan Macdonell writes:*

Please call or leave a voice message for me with your thoughts and ideas on how we may promote and preserve our local history.

☎ 613-525-5410

Our new Lunch Convenor, *Suzanne Bujold Bleile*, was warmly welcomed at the Society's Annual General Meeting in February.

The Society needs a *Newsletter Editor* as Rosemary O'Flaherty has completed her term. This is a vital role within the Society and it will bring you into closer touch with our County's history and its People.

David's Spotlight Event ★ ★ ★ ★

- *David Anderson has selected the following Event:*

A first annual War College on the War of 1812

Host: Fort La Presentation (1749) Historical Association, Ogdensburg New York

Date: May 2, 2009.

Note: This will be an exciting day in nearby Ogdensburg with key speakers, exhibits, walking tours, 1812 war music, and 3 meals, all for a very modest registration fee.

The Cornwall Township Historical Society (CTHS) may offer a bus service if numbers warrant. For details, call Ranald McDonell CTHS 613-937-3177.