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## Dedicated to Preserving the History of Glengarry

**Guest Speaker - Sheila Fraser** - The general meeting of September will feature Sheila Fraser, Auditor General of Canada, appointed on 31 May 2001.

Born in Dundee, Quebec, Ms. Fraser earned a Bachelor of Commerce degree from McGill University in 1972 and became a Chartered Accountant in 1974.



As Auditor General, Ms. Fraser has focused the Office's efforts on serving the needs of parliamentarians and ensuring they have objective and reliable information with which to scrutinize government activities and hold the government to account for its stewardship of public funds. She has promoted the use of plain language in the Office's performance audit reports tabled in the House of Commons. At her initiative, Canada

### Next Meeting

- Date/Time:** Thursday, Sept. 2, 8pm
- Place:** St. Andrews United Church, Williamstown
- Speaker:** Sheila Fraser, Auditor General of Canada

was the first legislative audit office to request a review of its performance audit practice in an effort to provide assurance about the quality of its work. In 2004, an international team made up of representatives of the legislative audit offices of the United Kingdom, Norway, France, and the Netherlands completed a highly favourable report.

Before joining the Office, Ms. Fraser enjoyed a fruitful and challenging career with the firm of Ernst & Young, where

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she became a partner in 1981. In its Québec City office, she was responsible for a wide range of private and public sector clients. She participated in several assignments with the Auditor General of Québec, as well as with several departments of the Government of Québec. She joined the Office of the Auditor General of Canada as Deputy Auditor General in January 1999.

Ms. Fraser has always been active in her profession, at both the provincial and national levels. For her noteworthy service to the auditing and accounting professions, she was awarded the Prix Émérite 1993 and the designation "Fellow" by the Ordre des comptables agréés du Québec in 1994 and by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario in 2000. She received the Governor General's medal commemorating Canada's 125th anniversary in 1992. Ms. Fraser has also been awarded honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from Simon Fraser University, Queen's University, the University of Waterloo, Nipissing University, Université de Montréal, Carleton University, McGill University and École nationale d'administration publique, which recognize her contribution to the fields of accounting, legislative auditing and public administration. In 2006, she was recognized with the Faculty of Management Achievement Award from McGill University. She was a 2009 recipient of the ICAO Award of Outstanding

Merit, the highest honour that the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario can bestow upon its members.

Ms. Fraser served as Chair of the Public Sector Accounting Board of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants in 2004-05. From 2001 to 2007, she chaired the Working Group on Environmental Auditing and the Professional Standards Committee's Sub-committee on SAI (Supreme Audit Institutions) Independence, two committees of the International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (INTOSAI). In January 2008, she began a three-year term as Chairperson of the Professional Standards Committee's Sub-committee on Accounting and Reporting. In 2008, Ms. Fraser was appointed as a public member of the International Federation of Accountants-International Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (IFAC-IPSASB).

Now, after very successfully opening the 2010 Glengarry Highland Games in Maxville in early August, Sheila Fraser again visits us to give a talk for the Glengarry Historical Society that will include aspects of personal, family, regional and accounting history.

We look forward to her presentation.



### **Glengarry Pioneer Museum Executive Profiles**

#### **Karen Davison-Wood: Chairperson**

A retired professor and manager of Human Resources at Marianopolis College in Montreal, Karen has volunteered at the museum for close to seven years and has become intimately familiar with every nook and cranny -- from the basement crawl spaces, to the back of the mysterious shed. She even lets staff borrow her tools and implements -- including her husband Don!

#### **Linda Fraser: Past Chair**

Along with her husband Jack, Linda is this year's recipient of the North Glengarry Award for Agricultural Excellence. When she's not doing chores at home and around the museum, Linda can be found offering assistance with all sorts of museum business.

#### **Terry Sweitzer: Treasurer**

A retired nurse, Terry oversees the intricacies of the all-important Harvest Tent at the Annual Fall Festival. She is also the angel who pays all the museum bills and takes care of staff pay cheques.

#### **Kent MacSweyn: Treasurer**

A former principal of the Laggan Public School and councillor of Kenyon and North Glengarry, Kent is a long-time proponent of preserving local heritage. He has helped many folks discover unique sites in Glengarry by organizing the annual Glengarry Driving Tour.

#### **Ronna Mogelon: Secretary**

Artist, author, cake-baker, blogger, and poutine critic, Ronna resides on the outskirts of Dunvegan and has volunteered countless years towards the now-discontinued Annual Book Sale. She has moved on to act as a secretary and helps coordinate the Art Fayre.

#### **Jim Mullin: Member at Large**

A resident of Vankleek Hill and faithful employee with Community Living Glengarry, Jim has a heart for history, an eye for exhibit development and has recently taken on the task of chairing the sub-committee for the War of 1812 Reenactment weekend on September 25-26, 2010.

### The Busy Summer

This summer kept you busy if you tried to attend all of the events hosted by our two informative and entertaining museums. The following photos are from just a few events....



Sheep shearing at the Sheep to Shawl event at the Glengarry Pioneer Museum.



Douglas George explains how the Mohawks of Akwesasne were one of the deciding factors in the outcome of the War of 1812 at the Nor'Westers and Loyalist Museum.



Rodney Brown sings the songs of the fur traders of the North West Company at the Nor'Westers and Loyalist Museum.

### More to Come! September Events

#### *Nor'Westers and Loyalist Museum - Doors Open Event*

Date: Saturday, September 11, 2010 - Sunday, September 12, 2010, 10:00 AM

#### *Glengarry Pioneer Museum - Harvest Fall Festival*

Date: Sunday, September 19, 2010, 11AM

Every year, thousands of visitors flock to this Festival at the Glengarry Pioneer Museum in the village of Dunvegan. This rural community comes together to help put on an amazing day of pioneer harvest demonstrations, a horse-drawn carriage parade, live music, pioneer craft demonstrators and a harvest tent filled with preserves, local produce, baking and heritage plants. There is something for all ages, from the childrens games and petting zoo, to taking in a threshing demonstration and walk through the 1860s Star Inn and other historic buildings.

#### *Glengarry Pioneer Museum - War of 1812 Reenactment*

Date: Saturday, September 25, 2010 - Sunday, September 26, 2010, 10AM

The Glengarry Light Infantry, Canadian Fencibles, among other regiments are setting up camp at the Museum to hold reenactments of the War of 1812. Learn how they lived, watch musket demos, and step back in time!

### Annual Picnic - Lochiel

Once again, the Annual Picnic was a great success, with fine weather and a most interesting presentation of photos by Bill Gilsdorf.

The setting was the Church of St. Alexander, in historic Lochiel.



### Become a Member

*Membership in the Historical Society means you are an integral part in preserving local history. You are invited to each of the regular meetings, which usually feature an interesting guest speaker or presentation. You will receive the Newsletter (several per year), and advance notice of Historical Society events. Membership in the Glengarry Historical Society is \$20 (\$25, Family) annually, or \$200 Lifetime membership. The Glengarry Historical Society is an affiliate of the Ontario Historical Society. Contact information on Page 1.*

### The History Prize

Andrew Lacombe-Sabourin, who graduated in June from Ecole secondaire Le Relais in Alexandria, is the winner of the 2010 Glengarry Historical Society Prize for History.

The GHS Prize for History is a \$250 prize awarded annually to a graduating high school student who, in the opinion of teachers, has done well in history. It is awarded on a rotating basis at the five high schools accommodating students from Glengarry County, Holy Trinity, Tagwi, Le Relais, Glengarry District and Char-Lan.

Andrew was born in LaSalle, Québec, spent his elementary school years in Sainte-Justine-de-Newton, Québec, and his high school years in Glen Robertson, where he has many Lacombe relatives.

History was always a favourite subject.

"It's a subject I always picked and that I always did well in," he said.

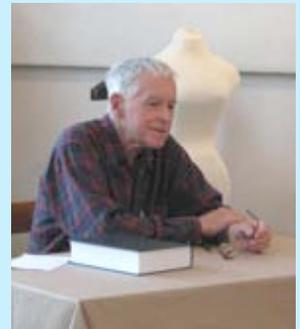
In addition to the GHS Prize for History, Andrew also won the mathematics prize in his graduating class.

These successes aside, psychology is now his chosen area of study. He begins classes this fall in that field at the Université de Montréal.

*Dane Lancken*

### Book Signing

Author Royce MacGillivray was on hand at our two museums to sign copies of his recently successfully launched book "Dictionary of Biography". Copies are available either for online purchase at



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