



# GLENGARRY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## newsletter

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<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, June 17, 2004
<b>Time:</b>	6:00 p.m.
<b>Place:</b>	Picnic: The Ruins at St. Raphaels
<b>Topic:</b>	<b>Celebrating Two Hundred Years</b>

### St. Raphaels - Celebrating Two Hundred Years

Our annual picnic will be held on Thursday, June 17, 2004 at the St. Raphaels Ruins. As always, this is a “bring your own food” and “bring your own lawn chair” affair. We will have coffee and tea available.

David Anderson will be our speaker for the evening as he takes us through the historical significance of the ruins. This summer marks the two hundredth anniversary of the arrival of the Reverend Alexander MacDonell. It also marks the tenth anniversary of the founding of the citizen group, “The Friends of the Ruins of St Raphaels”.

The church at St. Raphaels was begun in 1815, completed and consecrated in 1821. In its hey day, the church could easily seat about a thousand people.

### Our Faithful Convenor

At the last meeting of the GHS Executive, a motion was tabled and unanimously accepted that we recognize **Lorraine Cameron** as the Official Convenor of the Glengarry Historical Society. As you all know, Lorraine weaves her magic every month to organize the wonderful refreshments that we always enjoy after our meetings. I am sure you will all join me in congratulating Lorraine on receipt of her new title.

At the same time, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the men and women who bake the goodies and do oodles of dishes every month. Your contribution to the success of our meetings is most appreciated.

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**See you on June 17th !  
Have a wonderful summer**