



Rideau Township Historical Society

North Gower, Box 56, Ontario, KoA 2To

January 2007 Newsletter

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- **Meeting** **Wednesday, January 17, 2007, 7:30 p.m.**
in St. Andrew's Church Hall
6810 Rideau Valley Drive South, Kars

Speaker: **Stuart and Marguerite Rogers**

Topic: **Setting the Stage for North America 500 BC – 1500 AD**

A look at the South Eastern Woodland Culture of the Indian Mound Builders. This presentation includes an audio visual, posters, photos and maps of various sites among the *Adena*, *Hopewell* and *Mississippian* cultures which prevailed prior to fateful European incursion and settlement.

Both Marguerite and Stuart Rogers are educators and have lived in Manotick for 39 years. They have had an ongoing interest and curiosity about things geographical and historical.

Their particular interest in archaeology was whetted in the early '60s in Orillia among the Huron sites of Ontario, in Wales among the Celts, in England among the Roman ruins and Norse in the Orkney Islands. Studies have continued in most of the States south of us, pursuing Indian Mound Civilizations, and other evidence of the pre-history of the North American continent.

Annual General Meeting: reports and election of officers

Bring a friend

For a ride call Brian Earl
613-692-2371

- **Last meeting:**

The December 13, 2006 pot-luck supper and musical entertainment was well attended and the Society presented life memberships to Catherine Carrol and Dora Stamp for their contributions to the preservation of local history.

• Coming Events

January 24, 2007

The executive meeting will be held at the home of Brian Earl.

Rideau 175 Lecture Series

The Merrickville & District Historical Society is celebrating the 1832 opening of the Rideau Canal with a series of 9 lectures, held on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. in the historic Merrickville United Church in the centre of the village. Tickets for the whole series at \$25.00 each are available from Coral Lindsay or people may pay \$5.00 at the door.

March 18	the Historic Rideau, by Brian Osborne
April 15	the Rideau Route, by Ken Watson
May 27	the War of 1812, by Victor Suthren
June 17	Building the Canal, by Mark Andrews
July 22	Boom Canal Years, by Robert Sneyd
August 19	Ethnic Subterfuge, by Glenn J. Lockwood
September 16	Romance of Steam, by Coral Lindsay & Mark Jodoin
October 21	Another Rideau World, by Jonathan Moore
November 18	the Rideau as Living History, by Doug Stewart

Help wanted:

A North Gower farm family emigrated from France in the 1960s and are looking for someone to help them write a history of their experiences 1930s to the present. Please call Coral Lindsay (613-489-2029) if you would like to talk to them.

News from the Rideau Archives . . .

Hours:

The Archives is open every Tuesday from 9:30 am to 4:30 p.m. (613-489-2926), and from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month.

Thanks to Greg Hutton for the donation of a computer!

Sunday, January 7, 2007: The talk by Joe Banks and Judy Cary on the writing and production of their new book, ***The Osgoode Village Story***, was well-attended, and very interesting. The book sold out in its first month, and Judy Carey is taking orders for the second printing.

Sunday, February 4, 2007: Coral Lindsay will present "The Lindsays of Lindsay's Wharf".