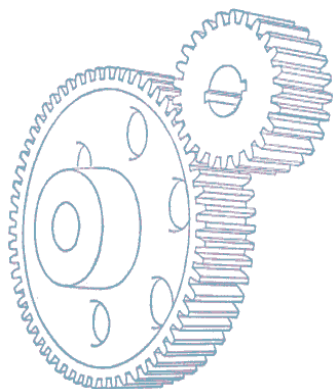




# CIHC

## Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre

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### Greenwich-Mohawk Brownfield Site Update – by Rob Adlam



Cockshutt Office Building at 66 Mohawk in Brantford following fire. Photo by Mike Tutt

Last year Brantford City Council, at the request of its Brownfield Community Advisory Committee, commissioned studies of three buildings on the former Massey site on Greenwich St. as well as the remaining Cockshutt Office, Warehouse, and Timekeeper's building on Mohawk St. The studies assessed heritage value, structural integrity, and designated substances still to be removed from these buildings.

The final reports were received back in February 2012 and the findings suggested that, with the exception of the warehouse section, both the Cockshutt Office and Timekeeper's building were good prospects for adaptive reuse. To view these reports

go to <http://www.brantford.ca/govt/projects/brownfields/Pages/ReportsStudies.aspx>

Council was set to deliver a final decision on the future of these structures by the end of April; however, a major fire of suspicious origin took place in the warehouse and office buildings on March 30<sup>th</sup>. As a result of the fire, the warehouse section has now been demolished and the office has suffered both fire and water damage. On April 10<sup>th</sup>, Council will consider three options regarding the future of the Cockshutt buildings, ranging from a more detailed engineering report and stabilization efforts, to demolition of the office and retention of the Timekeeper's building, or demolition of all buildings.

Please refer to the Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/324740194583/> for further updates on the situation.

### Call for Donations: The CIHC Needs Your Help!

The Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre is moving forward towards its goal of creating an Industrial Heritage Centre in Brantford. However, the CIHC needs your help to achieve this goal. If you believe in **preserving and promoting industrial history**, keeping these important stories alive for future generations, please support the CIHC. The CIHC is a registered charitable non-profit organization. Donations over \$10.00 will receive an **income tax receipt**. The CIHC is also looking for **artifacts and historical documents** related to industrial history for its collections. The continued existence of the CIHC and the future creation of an Industrial Heritage Centre in Brantford is dependent on generous individuals like you. Please consider supporting the Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre.

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## An Atypical Canadian

Albert Horsley a.k.a Harry Orchard, an unassuming prevaricator, philanderer, bomb maker and hired assassin from Brighton, Ontario, career climaxed in 1907 in Boise, Idaho. Harry's specialty was the dynamiting of mining plants, mine operators and scab labourers hired by mining companies that were strike-bound by the infamous Western Federation of Miners.

Harry's career came to an abrupt end when he was sentenced to hang for the assassination of the Governor of Idaho. Harry's sentence was subsequently commuted to life in prison where he died. Harry was a model prisoner and developed a platonic relationship with the late governor's widow. To this day, no one knows for sure how many victims were dispatched by Harry. The 1907 trial in Boise was the trail of the century and involved Clarence Darrow for the defence of Harry's alleged employers.

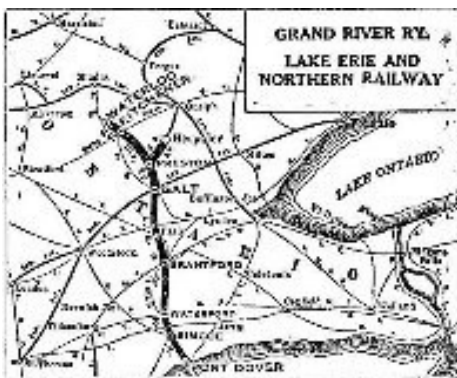
## Marc Laferriere on why he joined the CIHC



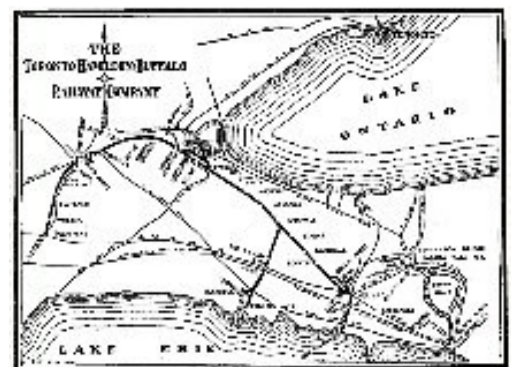
When I joke with my friends I tell them the reason that I joined the CIHC was as penance. As a kid growing up in Eagle Place I maybe - just maybe - threw my share of rocks at the windows of the Mohawk-Greenwich buildings located in my corner of the world in Brantford. I figure helping to let people know about our industrial heritage is a good way to regain some positive Karma.

The real reason though? Living across from those buildings as a young person I had no idea about their historical significance. That's a shame. I grew up not knowing an important part of the history of my city despite walking by it every day. I had no idea. I joined the CIHC because I'd like more people to know about the stories in their own communities. I've been so impressed with the actions of those who are committed to maintaining, restoring, and utilizing heritage and am happy to help share those stories in my own small way.

## Retracing Brock's War of 1812 Route



On August 5, 1812, two hundred years ago, General Isaac Brock prorogued the Legislature of Upper Canada, and left York [present day Toronto], sailed to the Head of the Lake [Hamilton] and marched overland to what is now Port Dover. He and his men left Dover on the 8<sup>th</sup>, and



rowed to Amherstberg, landing on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Brock took Fort Detroit on the 16<sup>th</sup>, winning the Michigan Territory from the Americans and re-taking the western frontier. The trail system you are on, comes very close to re-tracing Brock's Route. For further information, check out "brocksrout.com".

## DVDs For Sale through the Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre



**"The Cockshutt Way"** 5 DVD collector set produced for Cockshutt Farm Equipment and White Farm Equipment from 1957 to 1981. \$75.00 CDN/\$72.00 US.

Cheques or money orders made payable to:  
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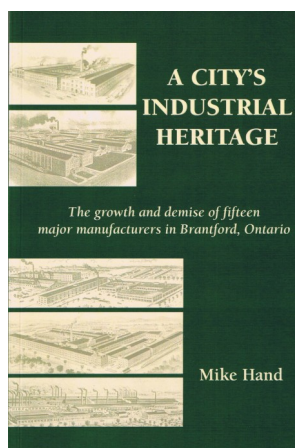


**"First in the Field"** 5 DVDs produced by the Cockshutt Plow Company and the Government of Ontario from 1922 to 1955. \$75.00 CDN/\$72.00 US.

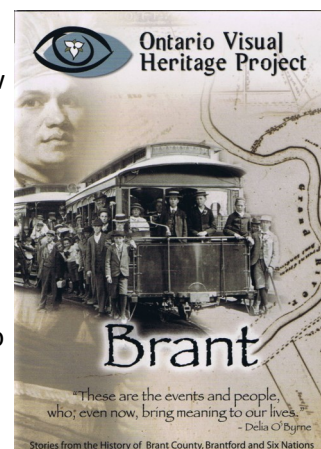
Single disk copies of "First in the Field" now available at \$25.00 CDN/\$22.00 US.

**Now Available** single DVD **"Let's Make a Date to Demonstrate"** featuring footage of the 500 series tractor from Cockshutt industrial shows and other ads. \$25.00 CDN/\$22.00 US.

## Now Available from the Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre!



The Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre is proud to offer for sale two interesting and informative products: the new book *A City's Industrial Heritage, the growth and demise of fifteen major manufacturers in Brantford, Ontario* by Mike Hand, and the DVD *Brant County* produced by the Ontario Visual Heritage Project. The book *A City's Industrial Heritage* is available for \$14.95 and the DVD *Brant County* for \$20.00. Partial proceeds from both products go towards fundraising for the CIHC. Please contact the CIHC at info@canadianindustrialheritage.org or 519-732-1000.



## Join the CIHC Today and be a Part of our Exciting Future!

### CANADIAN INDUSTRIAL HERITAGE CENTRE MEMBERSHIP FORM

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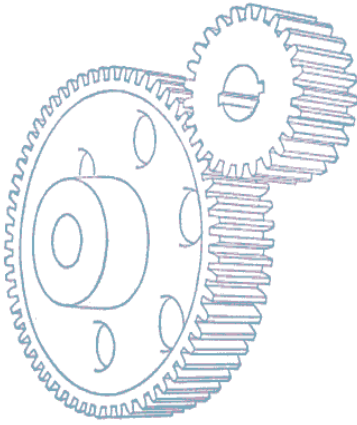
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Membership fees may be paid by cash, cheque or money order. Please make cheques or money orders payable to the *Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre*. Our mailing address is: PO Box 23055, Brantford, ON, N3T 6K4. Donations of \$10 or more, above membership fees, are tax deductible. Charitable number #861470623 RR0001



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## Our Vision:

To promote and honour Canadian Industrial Heritage through public education and the preservation of historical data, resources, and artifacts.

We are committed to telling the *induSTORY* of  
Canadian industrial heritage!

The CIHC would like to thank everyone for their continued support, including:

**Ontario Trillium Foundation**, for two year grant to enhance the CIHC.

**Brant Community Foundation**, for grant to develop CIHC website.

**LJS & Associates**, for providing office space and administrative resources.

**Spruce Row Museum** for exhibiting CIHC Cockshutt artifacts.

All CIHC **members** and **volunteers**.

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## Join Us for the *Fourth Pillar Forum* - May 24th, 2012 in Brantford

The Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre in partnership with the City of Brantford Economic Development and Tourism Department is pleased to announce a collaborative symposium designed to raise awareness of the value of a vibrant arts, culture and heritage sector to a community's quality of life and its attractiveness for tourism and investment. The event will kick off on Thursday evening, May 24<sup>th</sup> with the *The Fourth Pillar Forum* sponsored by the CIHC. This forum will feature 3 keynote speakers who will share their success stories in demonstrating the value of culture in their communities.

Confirmed speakers include Bill Mates – Director of Economic Development, Town of Ingersoll, presenting *Harnessing the Forces of Change! Winning Strategies – The Road to Yes* and Catherine Blackburn – Museum & Heritage Advisor, Culture Programs Unit, Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport will present *Building Responsive Museums*. Both Catherine and Bill are engaging speakers who bring with them a wealth of applied knowledge and experience to share with participants.

*The Fourth Pillar Forum* is open to all and will take place at Laurier Brantford – Odeon Building. Doors open to the public at 6:00 p.m. where you will have the opportunity to meet with presenters and peruse various displays representing arts, culture, and heritage. The panel presentation will begin at 7:00 p.m. and will conclude with a Q & A.

The Canadian Industrial Heritage Centre is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Canada's industrial heritage. We are proud to be hosting the launch event for this collaborative symposium and are looking forward to welcoming each of you to *The Fourth Pillar Forum*.

Please be sure to check our website for more information as it becomes available.  
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