

General Information

- There is no admission charge to visit the museum. Donations are accepted.
- Parking is free.
- The museum is fully accessible.
- There are washrooms in the library next door, also fully accessible.
- The Museum and Heritage Society are run by volunteers.

Hours of Operation

- May long weekend through Labour Day long weekend
 - Monday, Wednesday, & Saturday 1:00pm-4:00pm
- Groups can be accommodated with specific program plans and fun age-appropriate activities!
- Please call or email to plan a group visit.

You can only know where you are going if you know where you have been.

Come explore your heritage at the South Frontenac Museum!

About the Portland District & Area Heritage Society

The Society was formed in June 2002 and became a committee of the Council of the Township of South Frontenac in 2008.

Since September 2012, the Society has managed the museum in the Old Limestone Schoolhouse in Hartington, on behalf of the Township. The museum opened to the public in August 2015.

The South Frontenac Museum

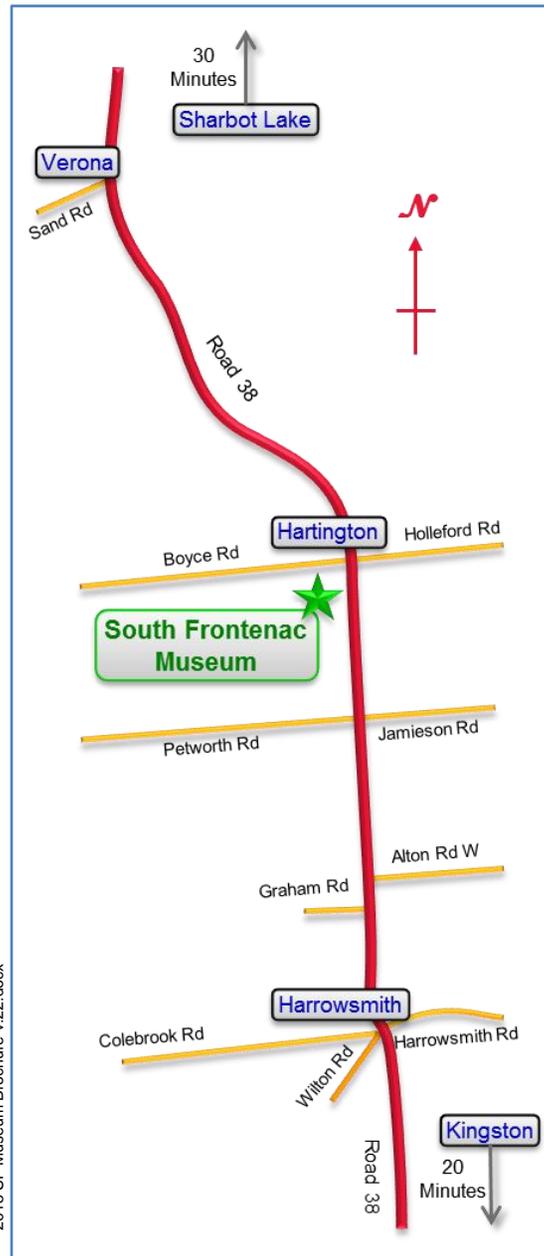
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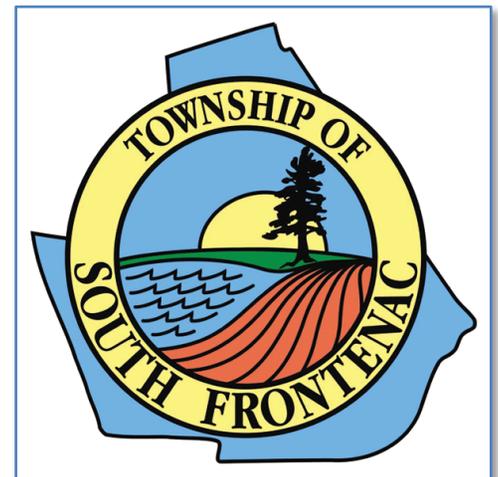
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The SOUTH FRONTENAC MUSEUM



Brought to you by the Township of South Frontenac in partnership with the Portland District & Area Heritage Society



The Old Limestone Schoolhouse

The South Frontenac Museum is located in the Old Limestone Schoolhouse on Frontenac Road 38 at Boyce and Holleford Roads in Hartington. The Schoolhouse was built in 1903 and was in use until the new Princess Anne Public School next door was opened in 1953.

Since then, the school has been used by the Library and then by South Frontenac Community Services, before being restored and re-dedicated to use by the South Frontenac Museum.

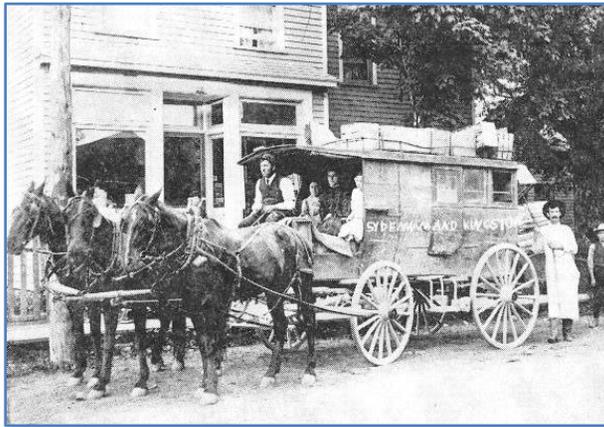
The Collection

The Museum's collection reflects the history of the South Frontenac area and its inhabitants – farming, commerce, home life, school, clothing, and furniture.



Harrowsmith Crossroads

Original artifacts include tools used on the farm, by blacksmiths, and in the kitchen. Almost every item in our collection has a local connection. Local family names pop up again and again.



Sydenham- Kingston Stage Coach

A Focus on Local History

Most of our artifacts were made or used in one of the nearby communities: Battersea, Bellrock, Bradshaw, Burrige, Enterprise, Fermoy, Glendower, Godfrey, Harrowsmith, Hartington, Inverary, Murvale, Parham, Perth Road, Piccadilly, Railton, Sunbury, Sydenham, Tichborne, Verona, and others are all reflected in our collection.

Do you live in one of these towns now? Did someone in your family come from here? Come see how people lived and worked here 50, 100, and 150 years ago.



Battersea Main Street

World War I

A significant exhibit covers the 146th Battalion and the First World War. The 146th was organized to recruit men from Frontenac and Lennox and Addington counties and to provide them with adequate training before embarking for overseas. Once in Great Britain the recruits were transferred to other battalions before embarking once again – this time for the battlefields in France and Belgium.



146th Overseas Battalion - 1916

The Future of Our Past

Our Museum is growing!

We are embarking on some ambitious programs. These include cataloging our collections electronically, developing new exhibits, setting up new programs for visiting schools, seniors, and other groups, reaching out to a broader audience, and filling in gaps in the coverage of our artifacts and exhibits.

Are you interested? We are interested in you! Give us a call (613-376-3027 x2600), connect with us on Facebook ([@SouthFrontenacMuseum](https://www.facebook.com/SouthFrontenacMuseum)), or email us at SouthFrontenacMuseum@gmail.com.

Be part of South Frontenac History!