

THE DEBERT MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY

Debert Military Museum

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Membership Application (2008)

The Debert Military History Society (DMHS) began in November of 1997 when a small group of concerned citizens felt it was important to preserve the military history of the former Camp Debert. It also set out to restore the former Canadian Forces Station (CFS) Debert Military Museum which closed in 1995 when the military pulled out and turned the base over to the provincial government.

Built in 1939-40 era, Debert was a staging area for the estimated 30,000 soldiers being shipped overseas for fight for our freedom in World War II. For many of them, Debert was the last Canadian base they would see. Many stories and poems (some not too flattering!) were written about Debert at the time. A lot of them are now preserved for your viewing. Some are on our web-site.

DMHS was incorporated as a not-for-profit organization in March of 1998 and planning for a museum got underway almost immediately. On June 1st, 1998, a lease was signed with the Colchester Park Development Society (CPDS) for the use of Bldg. #213, a war-time H-Hut, which has been continually upgraded and open during the summer tourism season and Nov. 11th. A summer student is currently hired as a tour guide and the museum is visited by hundreds of tourists annually.

Fund-raising is carried out by membership drives and various other activities. Tours of the Cold War underground "Diefenbunker" have been our main source of funding to date. Upkeep of the museum is currently our biggest financial challenge. New roofing and undergirding are just two of the major construction projects soon to be considered.

The Society welcomes your input and would gratefully receive other war-time artifacts dealing with the war years in and around Debert. We would also greatly appreciate a few hours of your time should you wish to volunteer in some way. Visitors are often awed by the huge expanse of the military encampment and the stories connected with it.

Why not drop by and say hello?

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME:(Please Print): _____ E-MAIL: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

POSTAL CODE/ZIP: _____ TEL.# _____ FAX#: _____

Membership Dues Enclosed: \$10/Year: \$ _____ Donation: \$ _____ Total: \$ _____

(Tax receipt issued for Donations of \$10 and over)

Please mail with Cheque or Money Order to:
DEBERT MILITARY HISTORY SOCIETY
PO Box 154, Debert NS BOM 1G0

I would like to volunteer at museum: Days/times: _____