Annandale NHS's Celebrates 200th Anniversary of Tillsonburg

EXHIBITIONS:

"Tillsonburg 1825" Date: June 14th to September 28th An exhibition celebration early in Tillsonburg in honour of Tillsonburg's 200th anniversary. Opening: June 14th at 10 a.m. (TurtleFest)

"A Pioneer Christmas" **Date:** Fri. Nov. 22nd, 2025 to Sun. Jan. 6th 2026 An exhibition highlighting how Tillsonburg's Pioneers celebrated Christmas. Opening: Friday, November 28th (Christmas Open House)

SPECIAL EVENTS:

"Tillsonburg Pioneer Graveyard Tour" **Date:** Thursday, October 25th, 2024, or Saturday, October 27th, 2024 **Time:** 1 p.m. **Cost:** By Donation **Location:** Pioneer Graveyard (13 Cedar St)

LUNCH & LEARN LECTURE SERIES

"In the Words of Dr. Cooper: Excepts from his Essays" *Presented By Kathleen Watkin* Dates: Thursday, February 27th or Friday, February 28th

"Nancy Barker Tillson: Tillsonburg's First Lady" *Presented by Laurel Beechey* **Dates:** Thursday, March 27th or Friday, March 28th

"Benjamin VanNorman: Co-Founder of Tillsonburg?" *Presented by Patricia Phelps*

Dates: Thursday, April 26th or Friday, April 27th

"All Roads Lead to Tillsonburg"

Presented by Joan Weston. **Dates:** Thursday, May 22nd or Friday, May 23^{rh}

<u>TEAS:</u> **Founder's Tea Date:** Thursday, October 16th Time: 1:30 p.m. Cost: \$30 (taxes included)

Come and celebrate the founding of Tillsonburg with tea and fall goodies. Then make a Pioneer Craft **(TBD)** Preregistration is required.

200th ANNIVERSARY TALKS AND WORKSHOPS

Makers' Workshop: Pottery Workshop Date: Saturday, January 15th, Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$30.00

Come Potter Penni Stoddart learn how to pottery and make your own Pinch Pot Pottery Creatures.

Makers' Workshop: Rug Punching Workshop Date: Wednesday, February 5th Time: 1:00 p.m. (approx. 4 hours) Cost: \$40.00 (taxes included)

Come and join the artist Heather Cork and learn to punch your own rug. All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

Makers' Workshop: Spring Bouquet Wool Flowers Workshop Date: Wednesday, April 9th Time: 1:30 p.m. (approx. 4 hours) Cost: \$25.00 (taxes included)

Want your spring flowers to last forever? Learn to make your own wool flower bouquet with artist Heather Cork. All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

Makers' Workshop: Rug Hooking with the Oxford Hooking Club

Date: Saturday, April 26th Time: 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. (with 30mins for Lunch) Cost: \$50.00 (taxes included)

Have you ever wanted to learn how to make your own rug? Now is your chance! Come and learn how to rug hook with Sandra Thornton, of the Oxford Hooking Club. All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

Makers' Workshop: Soap Making Date: Wednesday, September 24th Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **Cost:** \$50.00 (taxes included)

Every wonder how soap is made? Learn all the science and historical perspectives of how soap is made. Then make 2 bars of soap of your own to take home! All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

Makers' Workshop: Wood Working

Date: September 6th and 13th, 2025 **Time:** 1 p.m. **Cost:** \$70.00 (taxes included) for both sessions.

Join Local Woodworking with Brett Schultz

Discover the art of woodworking in this hands-on course led by Brett Schultz!

- Week One: Learn the basics of shaping wood and create your first project. Choose from designs such as an apple, block, boot, or dog.
- Week Two: Refine your creation and add a personal touch with paint.

Registration Includes:

- A kit with materials for three projects
- A carving knife
- A pamphlet with step-by-step instructions
- Membership to Tri-County Woodcarvers
- Insurance coverage
- 10% off at Chipping Away in Waterloo

Pre-registration is required. Don't miss this opportunity to learn a timeless skill while creating something unique!

Makers' Workshop: First Nations Cooking

Date: Wednesday, October 8th **Time:** 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Cost:** TBD (taxes included)

Makers' Workshop: Candle Making

Date: Wednesday, October 22nd Time: 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Cost: \$35.00 (taxes included) (Plus \$50 for gas)

Come and join Sue Griffiths from Stone Home Creatives and learn to make your own We will stick to tapers and votives candles. All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

Makers' Workshop: Pioneer Christmas Ornaments

Date: Wednesday, November 12th

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Cost:** TBD (taxes included)

Join Program Coordinator, Kathleen Watkin in making your own Pioneer Inspired Christmas Ornament. All materials and supplies are provided. Preregistration is required.

<u>Museum Summer Camp 2025</u> Homestead: Annandale Camp Monday, July 21st through Friday, July 25th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Come and learn all about what it was like to live in Tillsonburg 200 years ago, through games, crafts and engaging activities. Open to children aged 7 to 12. **Cost \$40.50 per day or \$162.70 per week**