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## ***AT HOME IN TAY VALLEY***

*The people of Tay Valley are born storytellers. Bring two or more together & tales are soon exchanged.*

***You're invited to share your stories as we prepare to celebrate our 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2016.***

Tay Valley Township is looking for your tales, big & small, family recollections & special memories, for inclusion in *At Home in Tay Valley*, an anthology scheduled for publication in the fall of 2015. These will be our tales, told by those who know it best – the people of Tay Valley.

*At Home in Tay Valley* will highlight the people, places, & events of Tay Valley Township from the days when the Algonquin camped by its lakes & rivers to the arrival of the European settlers, from life in the 19<sup>th</sup> century to today. Themes will include farming, forestry, mining, textiles, school days, community life, significant events, & special memories. This anthology will appeal to a broad general audience, ranging from long-time residents to newcomers, former residents to seasonal visitors.

So that we can include as many stories as possible, we have set a limit of 500 - 1,500 words per story. While stories may be edited for style, accuracy, & length, all authors whose work is included will be credited. We also welcome visuals, either to accompany a story or stand alone.

As part of the project, we also hope to record oral histories, preserving for our children the stories, voices & faces of those who “remember when.”

While many authors have explored the rich history of Perth & Lanark County, few have focused specifically on Tay Valley Township. *At Home in Tay Valley* will be one of the legacy projects for the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations of our founding as part of the Perth Military Settlement in 1816.

Deadline for submissions is September 30, 2013.

For more information on how to get involved, please contact Susan Code at 613-267-0077, Kay Rogers at 613-326-0363, or Kristine Swaren at Tay Valley Township, 613-267-5353.

