COMMENTS from person OUTSIDE FRONT DOOR

Point out, first, features typical of Ontario Cottage

- central front door
- hipped roof
- square plan, ignoring the later addition at the back

Also point out

- central gable
- Gothic window in gable
- double thistle on top of gable (tell story of thistle Archie McCulloch Castle May; *see ticket*)
- two central chimneys
- labels, or drip-mouldings above front windows. The form of the labels is typical of houses of this period, including Thornwood

Add

In the interior you will see an abundance of stained glass. Glass in the transom and sidelights probably dates from 1890s. Three works hanging in doorway and windows are by London artist Ted Gooden and date from c1990.

COMMENTS from person in FRONT HALL

Point out - front doorway

- baseboard (about 13 inches) identical in hall and E & W living rooms (parlours)
- panels under windows, formal features of these rooms
- 6 layers of wallpaper in hallway

- East living room note

- fireplace, c 1860
- doorway into hall, comment on trim and ornate corner blocks
- tongue and groove oak floors over early tongue and groove pine floors (see sample section); also in west parlour and dining room
- modern speakers
- recesses on either side of fireplace

- West living room note

- fireplace, probably c 1910, note classical details and machine made fluting on either side of fireplace
- panel under front window (cf windows in east parlour)
- french doors on east side of room may have led to earlier verandah

COMMENTS from person in DINING ROOM

- originally winter kitchen (but no evidence of pipe)
- note baseboard, much simpler than in front part of house
- three original doors, others date from 1930s and later
- some doorplates typical of 1930s; doors into bathroom and linen closet and narrow baseboards suggest bathroom was installed or modernised in 1930s
- BEDROOM original baseboard (cf dining room) had been replaced by narrow baseboards but present owners had copies of dining room baseboards installed; very early tongue and groove, 1 inch thick, pine floor (see sample)
- present kitchen probably replaced an earlier frame summer kitchen.