

# THE HALLMARK SOCIETY

Dedicated to Preserving Historic and Architectural Landmarks

## Richard Carr House, 207 Government St., Victoria, B.C., Canada V8V 2K8

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AWARDS NIGHT A HAPPY MEMORY The Hallmark Society thanks Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Bell-Irving and the staff of Government House for the warm hospitality and expert assistance which made our Awards Night an enjoyable, memorable experience for all who attended. Personally, I found the cream and gold sitting room very inviting and cozy; I could have settled down there for a nice long chat!

Over 200 people attended Awards Night. Thanks for coming! It would have been less exciting without all of you. In case you missed the evening, here are the winners:

CONGRATULATIONS!

Louis Award

Synagogue Emanu-El

1461 Blanshard St.

ANOTHER BOW TO THE WINNERS Hallmark Awards of Merit John & Gretchen Brewin

John & Gretchen Brewin
Graham & Wendy Haymes

Stuart Stark
Jim & Cathie Stiven
Harold E. Tweten

1413 Fernwood Rd. Four Mile House 199 Old Island Hwy. 252 Memorial Cres. 2221 Fernwood Rd. Interiors 1608 Fort St.

#### Peter Cotton Memorial Awards

Poster: Sheila Harris, Ayala Knott, Metchosin Elementary School

Essay: Joint award to Liz Fontaine & Nora Wood, Norfolk House School

GENEROUS MEMBERS

The costs of the award certificates, prizes (Peter Cotton Memorial Award book prizes), and refreshments were covered by the donations of members. Jim Munro assisted the Society in the purchase of gift books. Philip Graham supplied photographs of the award winning homes and buildings and also assisted with purchase of one of the gift books. Thanks to all who assisted with these items. And last but not least, a contented thank you for the delicious savoury and sweet morsels to which there could be no resistance. Not fair so soon after Christmas! But so enjoyable. The Hallmark Society must have the best pastry and hors d'oeuvres makers in Victoria.

A PLEASANT INDULGENCE

We are very pleased to tell you that a formal agreement with the Province of British Columbia has been signed giving us occupancy for 10 years of the upper floor of Richard Carr House, 207 Government Street, telephone 382-4755. It is a privilege to be in a heritage building,

and this will give us room for storage of files, office space and meeting rooms, which we desperately needed. We hope to have someone staffing the office regularly during the summer, and will advise you later of the details.

CH MOVERS INC. INDISPENSABLE

Thanks very much Jennifer and Colin Barr, Barry Cook, Diane Lupien, Tom Pappajohn for digging around in Craigdarroch Castle basement and various box rooms for our archives and other effects and moving them to Carr House.

CALLING ALL
CARPENTERS AND
CLERKS AND ALL
OTHER MEMBERS FROM
A to Z

We have files that need editing and updating; newspaper clippings that need sorting and preservation; photographs that need identification, mounting and preservation; books for sale that need shelves for safe storage and display. Diane Lupien would like to meet with interested members April 17 (Saturday) at Carr House from 12-2 p.m. Please call Diane at 388-9677 and let her know if you can meet at that time to survey the jobs to be done, choose projects, and decide on methods to carry out and complete projects.

BARE SPOTS

Furnishings are needed at Carr House. Office: telephone answering machine-could a member loan one while they are on vacation, or could someone donate one? Kitchen: an electric kettle is needed, as well as storage containers for suger, tea, coffee, refuse container, cutlery, general kitchen effects. General: carpets are needed for all rooms in order to cut heat loss. What do you have rolled up, folded, in storage that we could use?

WALKING TOURS

Rosemary Cross is organizing this year's walking tours. We plan tours of James Bay and Old Town, and the occasional visit to Fernwood. Details will be announced in the upcoming newsletter and any persons interested in leading tours should contact Rosemary at 384-2461.

(To bring new members up-to-date) Rosemary is the talented artist whose paintings of heritage buildings and landscapes graced our walls at the Richard Carr House opening.

630 SUPERIOR STREET SLATED FOR DEMOLISION

This is not what we would have liked to see happen to this house, but we feel that it was better to salvage what we could at this point rather than just let it go. Bill Murphy assisted B.C. Building Corporation to identify historical artifacts which were subsequently salvaged and are being stored in the Menzies Street drill hall (which is the building currently housing the Postal Branch and Motor Vehicle Branch of the Province of B.C.). It is B.C.B.C.'s intention to re-use these historical elements for restoration of other houses in the precinct which, we've been promised, will be saved and restored.

HERITAGE WEST SUBSCRIPTIONS AID HALLMARK SOCIETY

At the end of the newsletter is a subscription form for Heritage West, the informative and valuable quarterly newsmagazine of heritage conservation activity in B.C. and the Yukon. Should you choose to send this form in and subscribe, Heritage West returns \$2 of the subscription to the Hallmark Society—a fine way to learn more of what's going on and to support the Society.

ANY SUGGESTIONS?

Any members with suggestions for speakers, tours, fund raising events, etc. please contact any member of the Executive. All ideas welcome.

FERNWOOD FAIR IS COMING END OF MAY

This event is held the last weekend in May and we plan to have a display at the Fair. We would like to hold some walking tours of the Fernwood area to coincide with the time of the Fair. Details will be available in the next newsletter.

HERITAGE WEEK DISPLAY IN MAYFAIR MALL

GOOD P.R. & \$UCCE\$\$ TOO

Tom Pappajohn's organizational abilities have once more produced a profitable showing for the Society at Mayfair Mall in terms of money and public relations. Hallmark netted over \$380 which includes 44 new and renewed memberships, and donations to the Heritage Building Foundation. Some of this profit was also from the sale of books, stationery items and Heritage West magazines. This magazine is always available by subscription from the Society, if you are intending to subscribe to it in the future. Many thanks to the members who helped "person" the booth during the Heritage Week display.

HALLMARK SOCIETY COLLECTION POLICY Linda Yip, assisted by Sue Lambeth, formulated a comprehensive collection policy for the Hallmark Society after a great deal of research. We are very pleased to have this policy to guide us on the retention, disposal and acquisition of such things as photographs, newspaper clippings and a variety of other items that have been collected and will be available to us from time to time. Thank you for all the hard work and concern that went into our collection policy. Both Linda and Sue are with Parks Canada in Calgary. Sue, as you'll recall, is our immediate past Vice-President.

ARCHIVE TOURS

There will be two tours, one during the day and one in the evening. No date has been set, but the tour may take place on one day in June. There will be more information in the next newsletter.

RICHARD JACKSON HOUSE SPRING GARDENING Garden tools are needed! If you can spare a lawnmower, rakes, trowels, etc. please drop off at Jackson House or phone Bill Murphy at 383-1000. Any and all gardening equipment donations will be welcomed and will assist a great deal in maintaining and improving the garden.

### GENERAL MEETING WINDSOR PARK PAVILION

TUESDAY MAY 4 8:00 PM

We are pleased to announce that Dr. David Lai, Associate Professor of Geography at the University of Victoria will be giving a talk and slide presentation on "Approaches to the Conservation of an Historical District: The Case of Victoria Chinatown". This promises to be a very informative and entertaining evening and what better person than Dr. David Lai to present this topic. He has been deeply involved with the recent rejuvenation and beautification of Chinatown.

EXTENSION
- Community
Awareness

The Hallmark Society has recently begun a series of speaking engagements with interested social and community service groups in Greater Victoria. Thanks to Diane Lupien for her talk to a group at James Bay Lodge and to Rosemary Cross for meeting with the Women's Canadiana Group.

Speaking of public information, some of you may have heard Peter Walton on the "Talk It Over" morning show on CFAX the week of May 29. He spoke about the Society and the City's heritage program. Peter's comments were a little impromptu—he had two minutes warning of his on—the—air interview—but it's good to see a continuing interest among the media in the heritage movement.

TRUTCH HOUSE

As a concluding chapter in our efforts to save the Trutch House, we are happy to report that two members of the Executive are now the proud owners of said house. We're told not to expect immediate restoration of the exterior—although the garden is looking much improved, thanks to the efforts of another Hallmark Exec member and friend—but long-term plans call for exterior restoration to 1861. Look for a new cedar shingle roof in the next month.

BEACON HILL PARK 100th ANNIVERSARY Paul Bennett is our representative on the Protocol Committee for the Beacon Hill Park festivities which will take place on the weekend of July 31, August 1 and 2, 1982. Volunteers who are interested in working for this event please contact Paul Bennett at 595-4708. We will keep you posted on what's happening in future newsletters.

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NEW LETTERHEAD Our newsletter is now headed with a line drawing of Richard Carr House, the address, and the Hallmark Society title and motto.

## SUMMARY OF COMING EVENTS

May 4, 1982 General Meeting Dr. David Lai, Speaker 8:00 p.m. Fernwood Fair May 29 & 30, 1982 Fernwood Community Centre TBA (possible June Province of B.C. Archives Archive Tour date) Belleville & Govt. Streets Synagogue Emanu-El June 6, 1982 Further details in next Official celebration of newsletter. restoration

Beacon Hill Park 100th July 31, Aug. 1 & 2 An update in next newsletter. Anniversary Celebrations

See you there

Editor

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