



THE HALLMARK SOCIETY

Dedicated to Preserving Historic and Architectural Landmarks

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ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING 7:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, OCT. 9

The agenda will include the election of the executive for 1984-1985. Our guest speaker will be Linda Moore from Vancouver, who was heavily involved with the fight to save the Vancouver Roundhouse. She will give an illustrated talk on the roundhouses of B.C., their preservation and restoration, with particular reference to our own roundhouse on the Songhees Property, which may soon be a threatened structure.

JAMES BAY NEW
HORIZONS CENTRE
234 MENZIES ST.

Linda Moore will be requiring overnight accomodation. Anyone in the James Bay area able to help us out, please phone Jennifer Barr at 385-4408.

There will be various publications for sale at the meeting including: The Esquimalt Inventory, Art Deco & Moderne, The Crystal Gardens, This Old Town, and the Hallmark Hasti-Notes.

PRESIDENT'S
MESSAGE

In January your elected president, Diane Lupien, resigned for personal reasons and as vice-president it was my pleasure and duty to take over her duties.

I am pleased to report another very successful year for Hallmark. Our membership has grown close to 300. Several successful events were held, such as the Harbour Tour of Heritage Buildings, the tour of Dola Cavendish House and Hatley Park, the Awards Night at the Art Gallery, the Dockyard Tour of heritage buildings, and a Historical Tour of Nanaimo via the E & N Railway. A very special thanks to those hard working people who were involved with the organization of these very interesting events.

Our annual fund raising Bazaar was held in October at 'Hillside', realizing over 400 badly needed dollars. Special thanks to Isla Tuck and her committee.

Hallmark was involved in an effort to save several houses at risk. Our successes were the Pooley House (1182 Old Esquimalt Rd.), Jolimont (1936 Hampshire), Maplewood (1133 Catherine St.), and the Gossett House (334 Michigan). All these buildings are very important and significant.

We were not so fortunate with 655 Niagara. After a prolonged battle, Mr. Hanrahan demolished this very restorable Italianate house.

Two very important surveys and publications were produced by Hallmark Society members:

Art Deco and Moderne by Don Luxton

Built Heritage in Esquimalt: An Inventory by Dorothy Field

Both these books are a must for all heritage enthusiasts and are still available from Jennifer Barr, our treasurer (385-4408)

This is a very brief summary of our activities for the past year. With the increasing interest in heritage, 1985 will likely be even busier for your incoming executive.

In closing I would like to thank all those members of Hallmark and the members of the executive in particular for making my term as President a most enjoyable and productive one.

Respectfully

Don Wells

ED ENGER
RETURNS!

Ed Enger is back at Carr House keeping it clean for us--not an easy task with the plumbers, electricians and plasterers who have been in and out for the last five or six months.

NEW IDEAS
NEEDED

The Newsletter needs input from the membership. So far we have these suggestions:

1. Heritage House Update: an article on individuals who are currently working or are just completing their heritage home.
2. An Exchange Column: items for sale or trade, someone who is looking for that hard to find door latch, light fixture, piece of molding, etc
3. A gigantic Hallmark Society Yard Sale (antiques, collectibles, building bits, tools etc. all supplied by members)

ANY IDEAS??? Call Paul Convey at 382-6415

OUR SINCERE
APOLOGY!

It was reported in the May-June Newsletter that Samuel Maclure designed Craigdarroch Castle--not so! We all know that the Portland, Oregon architectural firm of Williams and Smith did the design. Our sincere apology to Terry Reksten for misspelling her name. Forgive us--To err is human.

THE DUNSMUIRS

A fascinating and informative presentation on the Dunsmuir family was the highlight of the June 19th meeting. 84 members and visitors were in attendance. Terry Reksten's presentation was the result of 5 years of research supported by interesting slides and an extremely enjoyable look at the family that had such an effect on the history and development of Victoria. Terry took us from the 1850's through to Paul Drake and Tallulah Bankhead. We look forward to Terry's new book on the Dunsmuir family due in about a year.

DUNSMUIR TOUR

As a follow-up to the excellent presentation by Terry Reksten on the Dunsmuir family, Rob Adams organized a field trip on June 24th to Metchosin to visit Dola's House and Hatley Park Castle. About 50 members had an enjoyable afternoon, thanks to Dale Mumford, Interpretive Officer of Fort Rodd Hill Park, who showed us through Dola's House, and thanks to Commander Jay Coulter, (honorary patron of our society's Building Foundation) for very kindly organizing our admittance and leading us through Hatley Park Castle.

REKSTEN LECTURES
VICTORIA: LADY
WITH A PAST !

Terry Reksten will once again be giving a 10 lecture adult education course at Camosun College entitled: VICTORIA: A LADY WITH A PAST--THE CITY'S SOCIAL AND ARCHITECTURAL HISTORY. The emphasis will be on people and their lifestyles.

COST: \$42.00

TIME: Wed. Evenings starting Sept. 26

REGISTER: Telephone 592-2311 as soon as possible.

HARBOUR TOUR
HUGE SUCCESS

The Harbour Tour Boat was full as members and friends of Hallmark enjoyed a 2 hour tour of the Inner Harbour and Esquimalt Harbour. Many thanks to Barry Bell, manager of Harbour Tours and tour guide Linda Hamel.

THE CRAIGDARROCH
CASTLE SOCIETY
NEED HELP!

Volunteers are desperately needed. More people are needed in the following areas:

DOCENTS--Meeters and greeters
PAINT STRIPPING
EXPERIENCED CABINET MAKERS
EXPERIENCED PAINTERS
RESEARCHERS
INTERVIEWERS

All volunteers must be trustworthy, reliable and be able to work in a team. If you are not already on a Castle Board or Committee, and are interested in working as a volunteer, please contact Mrs. Sylvia Hatfield at 592-5323 or 474-4614.

THE ESQUIMALT
INVENTORY
IS READY!

Dorothy Field's comprehensive inventory of Esquimalt contains over 100 heritage buildings that are well illustrated and most informative. An indexed inventory priced at just \$10.00 and a must for your library. Call Jennifer Barr at 385-4408 for your copy.

ESQUIMALT
REGISTRY

Esquimalt will now have an official registry of heritage buildings in the municipality to be maintained and updated by the Hallmark Society. Council will now be aware of historically important buildings within their municipality.

WESTERN
COMMUNITY
HISTORY

The heritage advisory committee appointed by the Capital Regional District is chaired by Don Fawthorpe with 8 other volunteers and CRD representative Maureen Whitfield. The Committee's prime objective is to persuade Western Community residents to form a society to help create a museum that would preserve historic artifacts of significance to Langford, Colwood and View Royal. They have elected to restore the Caleb Pike Farmhouse (1883) on Millstream Road. Pike was the original settler in the Highlands.

MOSS COTTAGE
RE-OPENS

Moss Cottage, the oldest building in Sooke, is now open to the public. The 4 room cottage was built in 1870 with lumber cut in B.C.'s first successful steampowered sawmill, the Muir Mill on Sooke Harbour. The cottage was taken apart board by board, and re-assembled on the Sooke Museum grounds on Phillips Road. The Cottage is refurnished with authentic period furniture.

HERITAGE CANADA
CONFERENCE

The 1984 Heritage Canada Conference will be held in Edmonton, Alberta, October 19, 20, 1984. We are a 'group member' of the Heritage Canada Foundation. Conference agenda includes technical sessions, seminars, awards, tours, etc. For more information call Paul Convey at 382-6415

HERITAGE FAIR
SEPT. 19-22
TILlicum MALL

We will need everyone's support. Bring your friends, relatives and strangers. This is our chance to introduce the public to the Hallmark Society and explain to them what we are all about. Hallmark displays, brochures, membership applications, books, and other displays of interest will be on exhibit. Spread the word. Members are asked to volunteer to man the booth for a shift or two (two hour shifts) Please call:
ROB ADAMS at 592-2663

FALL BAZAAR
HILLSIDE MALL
OCTOBER 12

This is the big money-maker of the year. We will need many items to sell. The idea is to keep the items small- \$5 or less.

Craft novelties	Doll clothes
Stocking stuffers	Christmas ornaments
Yard goods	White Elephants
Home-made baked goods	Jewellery
Home-made jams & jellies	Etc.

Have your donations ready by Friday, October 5, 1984. Pick-up of goods for sale at the bazaar can be arranged by calling JENNIFER BARR at 385-4408. There is no need for you to price items as this is done at the bazaar where items are grouped and the price of each group is listed. Please phone Jennifer at 385-4408 to let her know what time of day you would be able to assist at the bazaar table. YOUR SUPPORT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL!!

NANAIMO
CONFERENCE

Don Luxton attended the conference and files this report:

"The conference of the Heritage Society of B.C. titled 'The Future of Our Past' was held in Nanaimo on May 24-27, 1984. Delegates from many of the 140 historical and heritage societies from across B.C. attended, with workshops and discussion sessions being held. The conference was very well attended and was successful in bringing together many people with similar concerns and problems in dealing with heritage at the local level.

Several major issues were raised during the discussions. There is a continuing reliance on volunteers co-ordinating almost all heritage related work around the province. Government funding continues to be minimal, with total monies from the B.C. Heritage Trust standing at less than one dollar per person per year, with a Heritage Canada contribution of approximately twenty cents per year. Due to this minimal funding, there is an absence of design professionals involved in the heritage movement. There are also a number of continuing problems with heritage legislation, especially as regards compensation bylaws.

Several new B.C. Heritage Trust policies were also discussed, such as no funding being allowed for the moving of historic buildings, and conservation strategies now being required with heritage inventories.

These yearly conferences are a very valuable forum for the many active societies around B.C., and deserve our full support. Next year's conference will be held in Prince George."

WORK PARTY
SUCCESSFUL

Many thanks to John Edwards, Don Wells, Jennifer and Colin Barr, Rob Adams, Don Luxton, Paul and Marilynne Convey and Tom Pappajohn, who laboured for a few hours on a Saturday morning at 427 Parry St. at the Jackson House. These would-be handi people painted, gardened, cut and trimmed the grounds, collected and bagged garbage and weeded. All was not hard labourer however. We lunched at the Bantly House Tearoom at 1127 Fort Street. The food was excellent as was the company. If you haven't been to the Bantly House yet, make a point to stop and have lunch or tea. You won't be disappointed.



OPEN
11:30 - 4:30 Tues. - Sun.
Closed Mon.
Luncheon & Tea Menu
MARILYN POLLARD, Prop.
The Bantly House Tearoom
1127 Fort Street
Victoria 385-0008

PORT TOWNSEND:
HISTORIC HOMES
TOUR

On September 15 & 16, 1984, the Port Townsend, Washington Historic Homes Tour takes place. The tour includes Victorian Architecture: private mansions, hotels, simple cottages, country inns and public buildings.

HERITAGE
UPDATE!

At the moment there are many desirable heritage homes on the market.

A few are listed here:

1680 Prospect Place- a very large mansion with grounds, approx.
\$200,000. Contact Glenlyon School.

1211 Pembroke- 4 bedrooms, 1890 brick house. Reasonable at \$68,000
Contact George Wall 721-2121

132 South Turner- attractive Victorian Cottage with 2 bedrooms.
In the heart of heritage James Bay, \$77,000. Call R. Lines 388-9326

228 Douglas St.- 6 suites, opposite Beacon Hill Park. Maclure (1907)
\$190,000

252 Memorial Crescent- beautifully restored, 1892 \$90,000

1462 Rockland- 'Duvals" 1862 Victorian Gothic 7 suites, \$350,000

Other houses in the heritage news:

522 Quadra St. has been bought by an enthusiastic couple. Restoration
has already begun.

617 Battery (Pinehurst) restoration is proceeding. There was an open
house before work started. A great house with a remarkable
amount of original finishes, fireplaces and hardware.

1182 Old Esquimalt Rd. (Pooley House) the new owner is doing superficial
repairs until complete restoration can be done.

1133 Catherine St. (Maplewood) to be made available for sale next
week by the city, price to be very reasonable--needs lots of work!

1108 Government (Old Royal Bank Building) it has just been bought by
Jim Munro, who plans to restore it and amalgamate his bookstores
there, hopefully to be open in a couple of months.

20,24,28 Douglas (Mile '0') the public hearing is coming up.

655-659 Niagara these two houses will be demolished very soon to make
way for a \$750,000 nursing home. John Hall's house (1891) at 655
and the Herbert Cuthbert House (1910) at 659, despite neighborhood
protest, will be levelled. Owner John Hanrahan offered to sell
655 to anyone who could come up with \$70,000, the price he paid.
Unfortunately there were no takers.

1571 Amelia St. There was a major loss to heritage in Victoria on
Monday, Sept. 3 when fire gutted 1571 Amelia, one of the houses
in the fine heritage grouping on Amelia St. It was one of the
three houses long been considered to be at risk as two were
unoccupied and the third is occupied by Jessie Knight and her
multitude of animals. The owner is not prepared to sell the
houses in spite of many offers from heritage enthusiasts who
would like to preserve them. One of the other houses in the
group has been restored by architect Claude Maurice for use as
his office. Newspaper accounts noted the fire damage at \$10,000,
unfortunately the loss appears to be much worse.

REASSESSMENT OF City Hall is carrying on with this program which offers owners the opportunity
to have their homes designated if justified. If you feel your house falls
A & B LISTINGS in this category, please contact Don Wells at 385-3713 for advise on how
to apply.

THIS OLD HOUSE City Hall is reprinting This Old House. Please phone Hallmark if you know
of any errors that should be corrected.

HERITAGE WEST Heritage West has ceased publication. We will miss the excellent in-depth
articles on every aspect of heritage in British Columbia. Back issues
will be made available through the Hallmark Society, copies will be available
at the Heritage Fair and the Annual General Meeting.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT as of 5 September, 1984 for THE HALLMARK SOCIETY

<u>ASSETS</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1983</u>	<u>1984</u>
On deposit at Yorkshire Trust: Chequing Acct.	366.35	642.46	1451.64
Savings Acct.	267.39	1300.26	376.99
On loan to Heritage Building Foundation	500.00	500.00	500.00
On loan to summer student projects Acct.	506.90	---	---
	<u>1640.64</u>	<u>2442.72</u>	<u>2328.63</u>

LIABILITIES

No outstanding debts.

RECEIPTS

Membership Dues	1389.00	1325.00	1317.50
Sales, Books, hasti-notes, etc.	1038.07	393.70	495.00
Bazaar Sales	549.25	437.65	440.50
Awards Night Tickets	215.00	219.00	768.70
Tours-Walking, Bicycle, Special	57.00	356.56	82.25
Donations	150.95	116.87	35.00
Carr House Rent (From Dogwood Society & V.H.F.)	---	230.00	420.00
Typewriter Rental (from V.H.F.)	---	180.00	185.00
Interest on Bank Acct.	53.19	77.87	135.01
	<u>3489.96</u>	<u>3336.65</u>	<u>3878.96</u>

EXPENDITURES

Registrations/ Subscription fees/ Donations	120.00	62.00	175.00
Office Equipment/ Supplies	68.31	60.11	104.46
Membership, Corresp., Minutes, Bank Service Charges,	57.55	25.00	21.50
Carr House Expenses: Rent for 10 Years	10.00	--	--
Insurance	138.00	236.00	352.00
B.C. Tel	196.40	275.12	264.04
B.C. Hydro	---	102.64	112.39
Newsletters: Printing & Posting	935.30	518.52	466.32
Printing: Stationary, Brochures, Etc.	297.79	232.90	---
Purchase & Printing of Books for Sale	681.80	---	733.07
General Meetings	50.09	142.13	222.00
Awards Night	246.54	400.68	628.51
1982 Summer Student Project	250.00	264.49	---
Thank you Gifts	----	65.97	32.05
Archives	88.28	149.01	661.50
Displays	---	---	246.41
	<u>3140.06</u>	<u>2534.57</u>	<u>4019.25</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Nell Barr, Treasurer, Hallmark Society

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE HERITAGE BUILDING FOUNDATION OF THE HALLMARK SOCIETY

During 1983 and 1984 the fiscal year was changed to June 30th.

For the 12 months ending June 30, 1984, gross rents were \$22,303.00 with expenses of \$18,786.09 and a rental income of \$3,516.91. This was mainly due to a new first mortgage from the B.C. Heritage Trust at 8% (In prior years it was 12%)

We still owe \$146,800.80 on the three mortgages on 427 Parry St. of of June 30, 1984

During 1983/84 Capital additions of \$2,424.03 were made, these included a fence, a washer and dryer, kitchen vents and range hoods to suites 3 & 4, and an electric lawn mower.

At present the suites are rented as follows:

#1	-	\$575.00
#2	-	\$450.00
#3	-	\$395.00
#4	-	\$375.00

Respectfully submitted

John C. Edwards, Treasurer, Heritage Building Fou