



# THE HALLMARK SOCIETY

Dedicated to Preserving Historic and Architectural Landmarks

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ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING 7:30 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY OCT. 9

JAMES BAY NEW  
HORIZONS CENTRE  
234 MENZIES ST

The agenda will include the election of the executive for 1985-1986. Our guest speaker will be Stuart Stark. He will give a talk on historical homes of Oak Bay and a report with slides on the B.C. Heritage Conference held in June.

## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

This was another full year for Hallmark with many successful tours and lectures. Our membership has grown approximately 10% to 330 and we have more and more people coming forward offering to help. Our participation in the Heritage Festival was not a financial success however it was an exciting event and we met several interested people who signed up as new members. We were able to rebound financially with a successful garage sale and tour of Chinatown, both of these events should be repeated annually.

I would like to thank your hardworking executive most of whom are carrying on for another year, they all put in a great many hours for the Society. Some of those not returning are Don Luxton who is leaving Victoria for business reasons, Dorothy Field has left to further her education in England, Val Roberts who is pursuing athletic interest and John Keay who will be concentrating his efforts in directing the Heritage Foundation. I would like to specially thank Jennifer Barr who had to leave us part way through the year but hopes to return to us in a few months. She carried out her job as Treasurer with great dedication. Kerry Armour must also be mentioned as he filled in as secretary for two years even though he had no training for this position.

In closing I would like to thank the members of Hallmark for making my tenure as President a very pleasant and memorable period for me. Good luck in 1986.

Respectfully,

Don Wells

## PAST PRESIDENTS

1973 - 1974	Carolyn Smyly
1974 - 1975	George Radford
1975 - 1976	Don Reksten
1976 - 1977	Pim Manning
1977 - 1978	Candy Wyatt
1978 - 1979	Stuart Stark
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1981 - 1982	Peter Walton
1982 - 1983	Vacant (Diane Lupien acting president)
1983 - 1984	Diane Lupien (resigned 13th March 1984)
	Don Wells
1984 - 1985	Don Wells

1974 AWARDS

First awards since Society was founded in 1973:

- 1. On-going Residential
  - a) Gil and Marguerite Lawrenson 507 Head Street
- 2. On-going Commercial
  - a) Sam Bawlf  
Counting House 636 Broughton Street  
Belmont Building 600 - 620 Humboldt Street  
Law Chambers 28 Bastion Square
- 3. Current Residential
  - a) Richard Whittaker and John Keay 310 Huntington Place
- 4. Current Commercial
  - a) R and T. Richmond  
Old Country Flooring 2926 Government Street

1975 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial Award
  - a) Norwich Union Life Insurance Society 1162 Fort Street
  - b) W. C. McKecknie  
Chandler House 512 Simcoe Street
  - c) Bruce Thom (Promotions Manager)  
Labatt Breweries of B. C. 1921 Government Street
- 2. Communication Award
  - a) Cecil Clark  
"Yesterday and Today" in Victorian
- 3. Louis Award
  - a) Hon. W. L. Hartley (Minister of Public Works)  
Parliament Buildings
- 4. Peter Cotton - Recognition of 20 years service to Heritage Preservation.

1977 AWARDS

- 1. Institutional Award
  - a) Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association  
Chinese Benevolent School 636 Fisgard Street
- 2. Commercial Award
  - a) Faith Grant 1156 Fisgard Street
- 3. Residential Awards
  - a) Peter Orme and Ben Levinson  
Architects 146 Clarence Street
- 4. Louis Award
  - a) 1976 Mayor Michael Young and Council for Heritage By-law

1981 AWARDS

- 1. Interior Award
  - a) Don Taylor  
Old Morris Tobacconists 1116 Government Street
  - b) Earle Filer  
Roger's Chocolates 913 Government Street
- 2. Exterior Award
  - a) Janet Moore and  
Nicholas Poushinsky 106 Medana Street
  - b) Ronald Green  
Capital Iron 1824 and 1832 Store Street
  - c) Robron Developments:  
Robert Yellowless and Ron Bickford  
and David Watson (Owner) 3010 Quadra Street
  - d) Crystal Garden 713 Douglas Street
- 3. Peter Cotton Award
  - a) Darren Einarson - Visual Poster Category
  - b) Faye Dyson - Written Category
  - c) Stephanie Bartels - Pictorial Essay  
Emma Marley

1982 AWARDS

- 1. Awards of Merit
  - a) Graham and Wendy Haymes  
Four Mile House 199 Old Island Highway
  - b) Jim and Kathie Stiven 2221 Fernwood Road
  - c) John and Gretchen Brewin 1413 Fernwood Road
  - d) Harold E. Tweton 1609 Fort Street
- 2. Special Award
  - a) Stuart Stark - for contribution to Heritage Preservation in Victoria
- 3. Louis Award
  - a) Congregation Temple Emanuel 1461 Blanshard Street
- 4. Peter Cotton Memorial Award
  - a) Sheila Harris - Poster Category  
Ayala Knott
  - b) Nora Wood - Essay Category  
Liz Fontaine

1978 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial Award
  - a) Adrian Greenbank  
American Hotel 533 Yates Street
- 2. Residential Award
  - a) Don Wells 1020 Catherine Street
  - b) Bill Langlois 116 South Turner
- 3. Special Award
  - a) Terry Reksten

1979 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial Award
  - a) F. Oldfield and R. H. Thompson  
The Latch 2328 Harbour Road
- 2. Residential Award
  - a) Bill Murphy 1012 Richardson Street
- 3. Sympathetic Reuse
  - a) Town and Country Realty  
Beacon Hill School 3577 Douglas Street
- 4. Community Relations Award
  - a) Charles van Veen  
moved Dodd House
- 5. Communication Award
  - a) Thomas Palfrey

1980 AWARDS

- 1. Awards of Merit
  - a) Constance and Foster Isherwood 1192 Fort Street
  - b) Camberley Renovations  
Sharie and John Hayes 1765 Rockland Avenue
  - c) Les and Shirley Beach 215 Wilson Street
  - d) Dick and Anne Zeer 3670 Happy Valley Road
  - e) William Gidden and John Gidden 605 Courtney Street
- 2. Louis Award
  - a) The Society for the Preservation and Maintenance of Craigdarroch Castle
- 3. Peter Cotton Awards (1st annual)
  - a) Cecile Hambleton - visual presentation
  - b) Christa Zimakas - written presentation

1983 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial
  - a) William Wellburn and John Perri  
Best Western Olympic Hotel 642 Johnson Street
  - b) Barney and Joanna Hagar  
Poor Richards Books 968 Balmoral Road
- 2. Residential Award
  - a) Norman Pearson 242 Robert Street
- 3. Special Award of Merit
  - a) Dr. David Lai (Award of Merit)
  - b) Carolyn Smyly (10th Anniversary Award)

1984 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial Award
  - a) Roy and Glen Wakefield and  
William Patterson 556 Herald Street
- 2. Residential
  - a) Carl Rudolph 1501 Fort Street
  - b) Deborah Greene and  
Humphrey Melling 240 Memorial Crescent
  - c) Peter Walton 601 Trutch Street
  - d) i) The Pollard Family  
Interior 1127 Fort Street
  - ii) Grant Sheldrake  
Exterior 1127 Fort Street

1985 AWARDS

- 1. Commercial Award
  - a) Jim Munro  
Munro's Books 1108 Government Street
  - b) Bill McKecknie  
Beaconsfield Bed and Breakfast Inn 908 Humboldt Street
  - c) John and Heather Nicol  
Colonial Metropole Hotel 541 Johnson Street
  - d) West Coast Savings Credit Union  
Carnegie Building 794 Yates Street
- 2. Residential
  - a) Patrick and Suzanne Bulmer 1785 Carrick Street
  - b) Richard Collier, Larry Cook,  
John Keay, Ken Lane 314 Huntington Place
  - c) Tom Palfrey and Tom Putnam 941 Meares Street

HERITAGE UPDATE

Jim Lee held a final raising party on Sept.1. The final was restored and raised after five years respite from the elements....Several members of your executive spent an enjoyable weekend at The Moyers bed and breakfast in Chemainus....looking for a Heritage School? The Vancouver Heritage Conserv. Dept. has three 1900, milled prefab schools for sale at \$1.00 each!(873-7479)..... the City of Victoria, with the help of many heritage minded people including Hallmark members Terry Reksten and Norm Pearson has produced an excellent coloured brochure "Victoria- A Lady with a Past". Pick up a copy from the Visitors Bureau and take a walk through Olde Towne!.....just when we think Heritage demos are a thing of the past the Royal Jubilee Hospital decides to tear down its historical brown shingled Admin. block. It was designed by John Keith architect of many fine buildings in Victoria including Christ Church Cathedral, South Park School, Victoria City Police building and many others. Hallmark made attempts to save the building but the Hospital board maintains it is too expensive to rehabilitate.....Colin and Jennifer Barr are back with us after spending the summer in Nanaimo with "Shakespeare Plus" After a holiday in England they hope to get involved with Hallmark again in December.....Cliff Whitehead and Marjorie Parsons have just finished painting 522 Quadra. The new colour scheme shows off the Queen Anne architectural details to advantage.....a drunken spree at St. Anns Academy resulted in the loss of irreplaceable stained glass windows. Glass in one main door and a sidelight were destroyed even though they were protected with plastic. Charges have been laid ( against a neighbour!)..... Homes designated- Peter Sarakhannas -340 Wilson and Pat and Suzanne Bulmers -1785 Carrick st.

HALLMARK GARAGE SALE !!!

I could be accused of being biased if my report on the garage sale was too glowing. So, I'll just say it was Fantastic!!! We all owe a debt of gratitude to those, too numerous to mention, who donated all that good stuff. Thankyou, all you donators. The bottom line financially looks to be \$500.00, which will help the post Heritage Fair blues. We will definately be having another sale sooooo.....

DON'T THROW THAT GOOD STUFF OUT, SAVE IT FOR THE NEXT HORRIBLY GREAT HALLMARK GARAGE SALE!!!

We would like to extend a special thanks to those that volunteered their time to price, cart, set up, and sell all that good stuff. Thanks to: Mark, Kathie and Elizabeth Aitken, Kerry Armour, Paul and Marilyn Convey, Barbara Dashwood, John Edwards, Gwin Kelly, Eleanor Smith Jim Stiven, Don Wells and Patty Newman.

FOR SALE\*\*\*

- #1. Six old porch Pillars-5' height, no tops  
Jim Stiven has pattern
- #2. 30 ft. white marble curbing. 1 ft. high 5" wide  
various lengths 5'-6' Price negotible  
Call Tom Palfry evenings 385-7530
- #3. 1890 Gurney restored wood burning stove.\$700.00  
Call Mrs. Hartt, after 5 p.m.. 382-2891

WANTED TO RENT

Responsible couple (late 20's) wish a rent-to-own situation or rent an apartment suite in a home in the Rockland, Fairfield or Hames Bay area. If possible, looking for a rent-reduction for maintaining the property and home. (Experienced in carpentry and cabinetry as well as minor plumbing/electrical)  
Please call after 5:00 p.m. @ 383-6429 or leave a message for Kathleen at 387-1642

- MEMBERSHIP The membership is now at 320+ and climbing steadily.
- COURSES!!! Terry Reksten's course VICTORIA: Lady with a Past 8 Lectures and 2 walking tours. Course begins Tuesday September 24. The cost is \$45.00 To register call Camosun College at 592-2311  
Stuart Stark's Course Heritage Walks & Talks (Victoria 1843-1914) Tuesday September 10 until October 20 6 Lectures and 3 Sunday Walking tours.
- NEWSLETTER Did you know that the cost of each newsletter is .53c per individual copy! We print about 250 newsletters each issue.
- EXECUTIVE BBQ The BBQ was held at Rob Adams house. A Invitational Croquet Tourney was held. Rick Morgan nosed out Preident Don. Rick should know better than that. Many thanks to Rob and Tibby for the hospitality.
- BOAT TOUR Another great tour enjoyed by 30 members and friends. This time we cruised by Maplewood and Roslyn. As an added attraction, we saw 4 Great Blue Herons.
- DOCKYARD TOUR! The tour at the HMC Dockyard was most enjoyable for the capacity crowd. Douglas Watson toured us around the dockyard. It was an informative and humourous tour. President Don was there; unfortunately the Military Police thought Don was travelling a trifle quick and ticketed him....and Preident Don thought he was getting a police escort into the grounds!
- PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS TOUR This tour was definitely a highlite of the year. Allan Hogden guided us around, and we were able to travel up and inside the dome as well as having the opportunity to walk around the outside of the dome and enjoy the incredible 360 degree view of Victoria. It is possible that this tour may become a yearly event. for Hallmark members.
- GENERAL MEETING HOSTS AN OVERFLOW CROWD!! Approximately 70 members and friends attended the slide presentation presented by Sister Lorraine on the history of St. Ann's Academy. St. Ann's Academy was recently designated a provincial heritage site and so will be restored by the province.
- GOLF ANYONE!!!! The First Annual Hallmark Golf Tourney is coming up fast. Call Rick Morgan at 388-7277. Everyone is welcomed.
- CHINATOWN TOURS! YOU MISSED IT! One of the highlites of the year. Over 275 people in 3 days and 25 tours. Tom Pappajohn, Bill Huot, and Melissa MacLean deserve a well deserved pat on the back as do the many volunteers who guided the tours. About \$350.00 was raised for Hallmark. Tom says that it might be possible to arrange a tour just for Hallmark members! Interested? Call Don Wells at 385-3713.
- JAMES' BAY FAIR & THE WESTERN COMMUNITIES HERITAGE FAIR Both of these Fairs were successfull and very well attended. The Hallmark Booth was there and books and memberships were sold. Many thanks to Heather Swanson and Rick Morgan for taking the time to organize both these events for Hallmark. Thanks to the many volunteers who assisted.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT from September 7 1984 to September 13 1985

ASSETS

On deposit at Yorkshire Trust:	Chequing Acct.	1985 \$1,025.46
	Savings Acct.	\$ 232.26

LIABILITIES

No outstanding debts.

RECEIPTS

6.085.72

EXPENDITURES

7,288.89

Treasurer's Report

The Heritage Building Foundation of the Hallmark Society

During the twelve month period ending June 30, 1985, the rental of the "Jackson House" produced gross rental income of \$21,352.50 and a net rental income of \$4,314.91.

We still owe \$142,900.60 on three mortgages and the B.C. Heritage Trust has very generously extended our first mortgage of over \$100,000.00 for another year at 8% per annum.

The loan of \$500.00 was repaid to the Hallmark Society, and we received tax deductible donations of \$700.00 in this fiscal year.

At present, all suites are rented and a member has been hired to manage the building.

A Balance Sheet and Statement of Rental Income and Expenses have been prepared and are available to any member on request.

John Edwards,  
Treasurer

BOOK REVIEW

ARCHES IN B.C. by David Chuen-yan Lai  
This interesting book traces arches in B.C. from 1869 to modern times. A copy of this book has been donated to the Hallmark Society by David Lai and Sono-Nis Press.

NEW MEMBERSHIP RATES!!!

As of the last Executive Meeting of the Society, membership rates have been raised as follows:

STUDENT	\$4.00
SENIOR	\$5.00
SINGLE	\$9.00
FAMILY	\$12.00

P.I.B.C. CONFERENCE

The Planning Institute of British Columbia is holding a fall conference entitled:

"Return of the City Beautiful"

Urban Design and Heritage Conservation

The speaker will be Michael Seelig, Professor at U.B.C. School of Planning. Specializing in Heritage Conservation. Also Professor Ed Gibson from S.F.U. Geography Dept. He was on the B.C. Heritage Advisory Board

For information call Hallmark member Bill Huot  
Home 385-0941  
Office 387-1011 local 324

DATES TO REMEMBER

Annual General Meeting.....	Oct. 9 @ 7.30 p.m.
P.I.B.C. Fall Conference.....	Oct. 17-19
Course-Victoria: Lady with a Past.....	Sept.24
Course-Victoria 1843-1914.....	Sept.10