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THANK YOU to Kathleen O'Neill-White, Mark Madoff, Pamela Madoff, Jennifer Nell Barr and Al Fry for making the Editor's job easier.....so that Desk Top Publishing and printing deadlines are her only stressors! Because of this teamwork, the Newsletter is another collector's item! MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

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## GENERAL MEETING



Maggie Graham-Bell, former Deputy Chief Conservator at the Royal B.C. Museum, and now a conservation consultant, will give an illustrated slide talk on "The Conservation of Historic Homes" which are open to the public. She will show examples from both Canada and Britain, including Point Ellice House and the Beatrice Potter Home.

The business meeting, including 'Heritage Update' slides taken by Al Fry, will follow the guest speaker.

Charles Rupert - The Shop, located at 2004 Oak Bay Avenue, will have on display, a wonderful assortment of Victorian and Edwardian reproduction tiles, and the first place winner of The Christmas Raffle will have first choice of their favourite tile...and a second lucky raffle winner can also choose a delightful tile to take home(singular tiles are trivets!).

The Members Bookstore - purveyor of fine books (look for our complete inventory listed in the Newsletter) and sweatshirts will be open to tempt you.

Membership Chairperson, Jennifer Barr will be selling memberships and renewing memberships for all you members who have forgotten to renew.....

Christmas baking will be served at intermission - so come nibble, shop and chat at the General Meeting, Thursday, December 7, 1989, 7:30 p.m. in the James Bay New Horizons Centre, 234 Menzies Street.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Soon after accepting the position of President of the Hallmark Society, I was congratulated by several well-meaning friends. I was quick to point out to them, however, that my success would not be proven until the end of my term, for this position can sometimes be beleaguered with difficulties. Though I am still quite new at this, I hope by the end of my term that I will have earned the congratulations of my friends and will have succeeded in guiding The Hallmark Society through what looks like a challenging year.

When Past - President Mark Madoff wrote his first message as President in the Hallmark Newsletter, he recalled a "silver-tongued" member of the then previous year's Executive, convincing him to allow his name to stand for nomination.

Well, Mark (and the rest of the 1988-89 Executive) - thanks for taking that one step further: I received the "goldentongue" treatment, regardless of my apprehensions! The reason for my hesitation? During the past three and one half years, I along with hundreds of Victoria citizens, watched incredulously as the City of Victoria dealt with the Cadillac Fairview and St Ann's fiascos. Throughout these incidents, I admired both Paul Convey and Mark Madoff, who as Hallmark Presidents, not only maintained a gallant battle against the development-oriented mentality of City Council, but also maintained their own sanity! Needless to say, I experienced grave reservations at the prospect of filling either of these gentlemen's shoes. However, in April of this year, the still -numb Executive and Nominating Committee reassured me after these two major losses, there could not possibly be anything else to save in Victoria! And then the miracle happened. The "underdog" won! The St. Ann's Rescue Coalition successfully challenged the first rezoning in court last summer. The Battle resumes.

I would like to say a heartfelt "thank you" to Mark Madoff. In my position as Vice-President I learned a lot from Mark, although I still feel that it will take years before I have gained even half the expertise, experience, and eloquence that Mark brought with him to the position of President. Mark has taught me to say "no" to no, and "yes" to know. Above all, Mark has shown all of us that we do not have to accept defeat; that we can learn from the good, the bad, and the ugly; and that we must continue in our struggle to preserve our heritage.

Our continuing focus must be to preserve the legacies, which are not just buildings, although that is one of our largest cultural assets, but our everyday educational experience that can enhance our day-to-day living. We need to scrutinize our neighbourhoods (like the present problems in Fairfield and Oak Bay); discover our streetscapes and street clusters (such as Amelia Street and Chinatown); appreciate street furniture (such as the street lamp clusters on Douglas and Government Streets), and encourage the restoration of these key elements.

I would like to welcome the "new" Executive; The Hallmark Society is fortunate to hang on to most of the previous year's members. I extend a very warm welcome to our new Executive members, Phyllis Griffiths, Cyril Hume and Julie McMahon.

I thought I would have an opportunity to brag that membership has reached 1,000; but alas, I cannot, because thanks to more interested people, we have exceeded 1,000 and are now at 1,070 members!! Welcome to all our new members, and thank you to those who have renewed their memberships, your support is needed.

Throughout the year, the Executive will continue to work towards education, awareness, appreciation, and inspiration. In order to do this, we need to call upon volunteers from time to time. We are undertaking some exciting projects this year, such as the design and creation of display boards, and additional themes for tours. Consequently, we are always in need of volunteers. Recently, a few new volunteers have come forward, and I would like to thank them. I would especially like to thank our telephone committee, headed by Cyril Hume. Without you volunteers, our communication lines would be faint and thin. Thank you.



*Kathleen O'Neill-White*



# HERITAGE CANADA



The following is the text, slightly condensed, of a letter sent on September 15, 1989 from Mark Madoff, on behalf of the Hallmark Society, to all Governors and senior staff of the Heritage Canada Foundation.

The Hallmark Society has long been a supporter of the Heritage Canada Foundation. Though some of the faces on the executive have changed over sixteen years, our resolve and purposes have remained firm. Recently, we have seen reason to doubt that the same is true for Heritage Canada. As supporters of such long standing, we believe that we should inform you of the reasons for our intention to sever the relationship between our thousand-member organization and Heritage Canada.

The proverbial straw is Heritage Canada's insensitive and wrong-headed program choice for this September's Seminar on Conflict Resolution in Kingston, Ontario. The community was outraged to learn that the sole discussion of the Victoria Eaton Centre case will be delivered by a public relations consultant who mounted Cadillac-Fairview's campaign to "sell" the most destructive project ever to strike Victoria's Old Town. Heritage Canada staff have given only the lamest excuses for this choice and have revealed a complete lack of understanding of the dynamics of the case and its lingering effects upon Victoria. Heritage Canada seems to entertain vague notions either of "learning from the enemy" or of obtaining an objective academic study from someone who, by the very nature of his role in the case, cannot be objective. When the Hallmark Society raised the question of balance, this was dismissed or treated half-heartedly. At no time was the Society, which has a vast archive and expertise in this case, asked its opinion of who might speak well about it, even from within the non-heritage academic circles who have studied it.

This farce does not occur in isolation, however. It is symptomatic of deeper ills. Heritage Canada has quite consciously abandoned most of its original preservationist program. This is clear from the recent Five-Year Strategic Plan. Beneath the almost-unintelligible feelgood bafflelegab, this is a program for an organization where the bureaucrats rule and the grassroots languish. Whatever the jargon may pretend, we no longer find our interests reflected in the great majority of Heritage Canada's statements or activities, such as they are.

The epitome of this situation is the program for the 1989 conference in Vancouver. Our executive took one careful look at it and wisely observed that it has nothing to do with heritage, except in the most figurative sense. This might be a small matter were it not typical of our recent relations with Heritage Canada. In planning the Vancouver conference, with its considerable Victoria side-trip expedition, Heritage Canada did not see fit to ask one word of advice from the Hallmark Society, which knows heritage tourism on southern Vancouver Island better than anyone. This was scarcely surprising since Heritage Canada also never notified the Hallmark Society about the Main Street Program for downtown Victoria, the Foundation's most significant heritage program in this area for many years. A pattern of non-consultation with the very heritage groups that might have supported Heritage Canada has been set.

What emerges from the evidence of Heritage Canada's plans, statements and inactions is a so-called national heritage organization which is less and less interested in preserving the built heritage of the nation and more interested in becoming like the corporations with which it has grown so comfortable.

As early supporters of Heritage Canada, we would be glad to have our dismay reversed. Unfortunately, our only contact with the Foundation in two years, aside from the publications which go out to all members, has been a computer generated letter inviting us to flog Heritage Canada Mastercards. We would prefer, if we are going to continue an affiliation with Heritage Canada, to communicate about matters of real heritage substance.



EDITOR'S NOTE: After extensive talks between past and present Presidents of the Hallmark Society and both staff of the Heritage Canada Foundation and the Governor of this region, the Hallmark Society has yet to receive any replies from the Heritage Canada Foundation which address the substance of our criticism; therefore, at the Executive Meeting of November 7, 1989, it was resolved, subject to ratification at the General Meeting on December 7, that the Hallmark Society dissociate itself from the Heritage Canada Foundation.



## HERITAGE CANADA



Following is a reproduction of the letter received from Mary Elizabeth Bayer, British Columbia's representative on the Board of Heritage Canada, after hearing that The Hallmark Society's letter to Heritage Canada would be published in the Newsletter.

November 2, 1989

Dear Ms. O'Neill-White:

Hallmark's letter of September 15th has been discussed by the Board of Heritage Canada. We respect your views, recognizing the fine work done by the Society in the Capital Regional District and appreciating your importance as part of Canada's heritage network.

Heritage Canada still follows its original mandate, "To preserve and demonstrate and to encourage the preservation and demonstration of the nationally significant historic architectural, natural and scenic heritage of Canada, with a view to stimulating and promoting the interest of the people of Canada in that heritage." (Letters Patent, March, 1973) In summary, we are dedicated to "maintaining our sense of place and continuity". We believe in the collaborative management of change in our built environment.

In developing this collaboration, our methods will not always meet with universal approval: errors and omissions may occur. You can be sure that we are determined to learn from whatever mistakes have been made.

As British Columbia's representative on the Board of Heritage Canada, I have been and am ready and willing to meet with Hallmark or any group to discuss the specific points raised in your letter, such as the Heritage Canada mandate, its relationships with its members, the theme and program of any public meetings we convene, Main Street or any other demonstration projects in which we are involved.

Given the importance of national issues like the need for a national heritage policy, changes in tax legislation, the threat to railways, fast-growing cities, crisis in waterfronts, problems with jurisdictions, it is vital that Western heritage organizations participate fully in Heritage Canada as active and, if need be, critical partners.

Mary Elizabeth Bayer

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## AWARDS NIGHT



This will be the first year that The Hallmark Society will be hosting the annual Awards Night in the spring. The date has been set for Tuesday, May 1, 1990. In the past, the Awards Night has taken place during Heritage Week in February and had to compete with numerous activities, as well as foul weather. At the present time, the location has not been confirmed, but watch for it in the next Newsletter.

The Awards Night Committee will be accepting nominations until February 1, 1990. Please let us know of any possible nominations by calling Jennifer Nell Barr at 385-4408 or Kathleen O'Neill-White at 592-8344.

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## HALLMARK REPRESENTATIVES

New Hallmark Representative for the Esquimalt Heritage Advisory Committee is Mary Lou Berod - 385-8666

Continuing Hallmark Representative on the Victoria Heritage Advisory Committee is Al Fry - 658-5948

Continuing Hallmark Representative on the Victoria Heritage Foundation is Catherine Henderson - 383-5260

If you have concerns that you wish to address to these Committees or Foundation, please contact the appropriate representative.

# THE HALLMARK EMPORIUM



With the arrival of *Charles Rupert - The Shop*, at 2004 Oak Bay Avenue, hastily planned shopping trips to Britain may become a thing of the past. When struck with an uncontrollable urge for National Trust treasures, William Morris textiles or Victorian-patterned tiles, one has only to slip just inside the Tweed Curtain to find an extraordinary range of items in this superbly appointed shop.

The shop features a lavish selection of Victorian and Aesthetic Movement tiles. Birds, poppies, peonies, thistles and convolvulus are just some of the images to be found on the tiles. Collectors familiar with names such as William de Morgan and companies such as Minton will be happy to discover that these tiles are still available and are produced by the original companies or their successors. While a set of tiles would be appropriate for use on a fireplace surround or in a bathroom, an individual tile could be used as a coaster and would make an unusual and elegant gift.

The selection of wallpaper and wallpaper borders is exclusive to Charles Rupert in Western Canada. Whether you are working on the restoration of a heritage home or creating a traditional and elegant interior in a modern setting, these papers are sure to provide inspiration. The borders are authentic replicas of historic designs. The Papers of London series, which dates from 1755-1840, features 5 wallpaper designs, 38 colourways and 4 hand-printed borders available in 9 colours. Of special interest are the Arts and Crafts papers. Reasonably priced at \$40.00 per double roll, these designs would be ideal in houses built between 1900 and 1920.

The range of tassels, tie backs and trimmings is enough to make Oscar Wilde swoon. There are literally thousands to choose from and, once again, these are exclusive to Charles Rupert in western Canada.

The shop also features a limited range of specialty fabrics: from wool baize (produced by a company that has been in business since the Battle of Waterloo) to luxurious brocade to a horsehair and cotton/linen blend for the ultimate Victorian enthusiast. This last fabric is produced by one of only two mills in the world still manufacturing this textile.

By way of furniture, the shop offers rustic twig designs and Windsor chairs which are made especially to Charles Rupert's exacting specifications. In addition, painted wire plant stands, a favourite in English country houses and conservatories, are also available.

The ideal item for the most difficult person on your Christmas shopping list would be a set of porcelain carpet bowling balls. Or perhaps a cast-iron Victorian bootscraper? Or a stereoscope with views of the 1906 San Francisco earthquake?

Garden enthusiasts will be happy to find English trugs and terracotta edging tiles.

Other items that would make ideal gifts are Chinese blue and white ware, hand-forged fire-irons, mugs embellished with Victorian tile patterns, a wide range of books appealing to those with interest in traditional building and design, stationery, wool travel rugs, tea sets and Charles Rupert's own line of preserves which are beautifully labelled in an Aesthetic Movement design.

So put away your steamer trunks, cash in your tickets and save pots of money by shopping at home.



*Hedda S. Hopper*

HEDDA S. HOPPER



# MEMBERS BOOKSTORE

The following books are available by contacting Pamela Madoff at 384-6971. The books are also for sale at The Hallmark Society's General Meeting on December 7, 1989 at 7:30 p.m. in The James Bay New Horizon's Centre.

**Arches in B.C.** - Dr. David Lai  
Christmas Special - \$5.00

**Buildings of Samuel Maclure** - Martin Segger  
Regular Price: \$39.95    Members Price: \$32.00

**Built Heritage in Esquimalt** - Dorothy Field  
Regular Price: \$10.00    Members Price: \$8.00

**By Our Own Hands: Heritage Buildings in Metchosin** - Phyllis Griffiths and Lorri Dauncey  
Regular Price: \$10.00    Members Price: \$9.50

**Cadboro: A Ship, A Bay, A Sea Monster** - Ursula Jupp  
Regular Price: \$12.00    Members Price: \$10.00

**Chinatown: Towns Within Cities** - Dr. David Lai  
Regular Price: \$28.00    Members Price: \$25.00

**Come Give a Cheer: 100 Years of Victoria High School**  
Regular Price: \$5:00    Members Price: \$4.00

**Craigdarroch: The Story of Dunsmuir Castle** - Terry Reksten  
Regular Price: \$12.95    Members Price: \$10.50

**Early Indian Village Churches** - J. Veillette and G. White  
Regular Price: \$14.95    Members Price: \$10.95

**E and N Railway** - Ian Baird  
Regular Price: \$4.95    Members Price: \$4.00

**The Fernwood Files** - John Ellis and Charles Lillard  
Regular Price: \$12.95    Members Price: \$10.00

**First Water Tigers** - Dave Parker  
Regular Price: \$34.95    Members Price: \$28.00

**History of North and South Saanich Pioneers and District** - Victor E. Virgin  
Regular Price: \$6.00    Members Price: \$5.00

**Island Heritage Buildings** - Islands Trust  
Regular Price: \$18.00    Members Price: \$14.50



## MEMBERS BOOKSTORE: continued

- More English Than the English** - Terry Reksten  
Regular Price: \$11.50    Members Price: \$9.50
- More Victoria Landmarks** - Barry King and Geoff Castle  
Regular Price: \$19.95    Members Price: \$15.95
- Oak Bay Heritage Buildings** - Stuart Stark  
Regular Price: \$12.00    Members Price: \$10.00
- 101 Historical Buildings of Sooke**  
Regular Price: \$10.95    Members Price: \$10.00
- The B.C. Parliament Buildings** - Martin Segger  
Regular Price: \$2.00    Members Price: \$1.50
- Presence Francophone a Victoria B.C. 1843-1987**  
Regular Price: \$16.00    Members Price: \$14.00
- Rattenbury** - Terry Reksten  
Regular Price: \$10.95    Members Price: \$9.00
- Ross Bay Cemetery** - John Adams  
Regular Price: \$4.95    Members Price: \$4.00
- Saanich: An Illustrated History** - Geoff Castle  
Regular Price: \$19.95    Members Price: \$16.00
- Samuel Maclure, Architect** - Janet Bingham  
Regular Price: \$9.95    Members Price: \$8.00
- Trees of Greater Victoria**  
Regular Price: \$14.95    Members Price: \$14.95
- Urban Archaeology** - Gary and Karen Pearson  
Regular Price: \$12.95    Members Price: \$11.50
- Vice-Regal Mansions** - Peter Cotton  
Regular Price: \$4.00    Members Price: \$2.00
- West Coast Victorians** - Ken Naverson  
Regular Price: \$32.00    Members Price: \$28.00
- Greeting Cards** - Rosemary James Cross  
Regular Price: \$2.50    Members Price: \$2.00





# HERITAGE UPDATE

Recent designations in the City of Victoria:

- \*1139 Burdett
- \*1317 Arm
- \*1961 Fairfield Place
- \*3010 Quadra Street
- \*1609 Gladstone
- \*1021 Catherine Street
- \*613-615 Pandora



Recent designation in the Corporation of The District of Saanich:

- \*751 Burke - early 1900's farmhouse on the edge of Cuthbert Holmes Park

Saanich Municipality has vacancies on its Heritage Advisory and Archival Committee for 1990. Residents of Saanich who would be interested should contact the Mayor's office at 386-2241. Deadline for applications is Dec. 1.

## CLASSIFIEDS



**HOUSESITTING** - Single man wants to housesit for two to three months starting in December. Quiet, non-smoking, very responsible, phone 383-7841.

**FOR SALE** - Small Godin coal/wood heater, Model 3720, Chocolate brown enamel trim. CSA approved. Good shape. \$250. OBO, phone Melinda Seyler at 389-1598.

**FOR SALE** - wooden eavestroughs - Short un-used and two used 8' pieces and approximately 30 old pieces of red drain tile. Phone Gary White at 382-0871.

**OVERRUN WITH GUESTS?** - Want them out of your home but well cared for? Bring them to THE WHYTE HOUSE! Bed and Breakfast in a designated Heritage Home, built in 1889, in the heart of James Bay. Discount for Hallmark Society Members. Extended stays available. Member of Tourism Victoria. Call Melinda at 389-1598 (message)

**FOR SALE** - one 600 gallon oil tank, in good condition (6' long x 2' wide) Must be seen to be appreciated! \$70.00 Please call 592-8344 and ask for Richard.

**HOUSESITTING** - Professional man, 48, Victoria resident for 16 years, will house or apartment sit for extended lengths of time, plants and small pets o.k. References available. Call 386-6728 or 384-6208.

**FOR SALE** - EDWARD CORDINGLY HOUSE (55 Oswego Street) HALLARK AWARD OF MERIT FOR "METICULOUS RESTORATION" 1988. This three bedroom, 1 bath VICTORIAN HOME in JAMES BAY has 2 fireplaces, fir plank floors, small (but pretty) yard with matching Garden Shed. Asking \$164,500. Contact Kathy or Edward Dahlgren at 384-5866.

# REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS



The next meeting of the Regional Heritage Committee will be held in January, where plans for Heritage Week will be discussed. Watch the next Newsletter for information on the date, time, and location.

Jennifer Barr, Chairperson of the Regional Heritage Committee, says "Thanks to Phyllis Griffiths, Sheila Colwill and Jo MacGregor for their timely gathering of regional heritage news".

## HERITAGE TREE PROJECT

383-6982

The Heritage Tree book is still available, a bargain at \$14.95 (the book includes 103 full colour photos). The group now has a phone number 383-6982. Meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, except in July and August and are held at the Pacific Forestry Centre at 506 West Burnside Road, 7:30 p.m. - everyone welcome.

## DODD HOUSE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

477-5026(Jo MacGregor)477-4464(NancyGriffin)

Another successful "Open House" season has just finished. While the regular Sunday Open Houses will not resume until next spring, the Society welcomes classes, interest groups, etc., who wish to arrange a visit. The Society is looking for old furniture, pictures, etc., (pre-1910) and are prepared to pay if the price is right. Of course, donations will not be turned down! An antique floor standard lamp and bookcase or shelves are particularly needed.

## B.C. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The next meeting will be held on November 23, 8:15 p.m. at Cridge Hall on Blanshard Street. The guest speaker will be Dr. Nancy Turner, ethnobotanist, who will be speaking on "Indian Uses of Plants"

## CANADIAN ART DECO SOCIETY

The Annual General Meeting was held on November 15 at the Maltwod Museum at UVic. A video, "A Pastel Paradise" was shown, about the Art Deco District of Miami Beach.

## HIGHLAND HERITAGE PARK SOCIETY

Caleb Pike Homestead on Millstream Road was the scene of another well-attended Fair, on the last Sunday in August. Old time activities such as lacemaking, quilting, weaving, pottery, whittling, chair-caning, folk dancing and a working display of old washing machines took place in the restored log house and the leafy orchard under a warm August sun.

## CANADIAN FORCES BASE ESQUIMALT MUSEUM

380-4395

The Museum has been involved in the planning stages of the Esquimalt Heritage Committee. Esquimalt recognizes the value of the Museum as a community resource in its development plans. The Museum is open to the public, Monday through Friday, from 10am to 4pm; however, the Base appears as an impregnable fortress. Therefore, ways are being considered to make the Museum more accessible via the North Gate(near the dry dock).

The C.F.B Museum and Archeological Society(Friends), under the chairmanship of Ian Birch, has launched a membership drive. All those interested in the preservation of the history of the Naval Base at Esquimalt from 1846 to the present are invited to become a member of the Society. For further information call the Society at 380-4395.

## ESQUIMALT HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mark Aitken 386-6593

Lampson Street School's future looks a little brighter because of an urgent need for classroom space in School District 61's western sector. The G.V.S.B. has applied for Ministry of Education funds to return the building for use as an elementary school. Their plans also include heritage designation and exterior restoration.

The HAC recently hosted a very successful "Community Pride" 'Let's Get Organized' Workshop partially funded by the B.C. Heritage Trust. It brought together a cross-section of the Community to identify heritage goals and priorities. The Workshop identified its first objective: the formation of a Heritage Foundation to assist in projects that will promote and protect Esquimalt's designated, built, environmental, cultural and economic heritage.

# REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS



## OLD CEMETERIES COMMITTEE OF THE B.C. HISTORICAL FEDERATION - VICTORIA BRANCH

Tours of Ross Bay Cemetery are still drawing good crowds! The Halloween tour on ghosts of Victoria brought 133 people out! The tours will be on a hiatus from December 24 through January 28 and a new tour schedule will commence February 4, 1990.

Halloween was very uneventful in the Cemetery. There were more volunteer patrolers than vandals in Ross Bay and there were no problems. Looks like the campaign against vandalism has worked.

The OCC cleaning committee was invited up to St. Peter's Anglican Church in Duncan, to do demonstration cleanings on the stones in their wonderful old church yard. They have a very active cemetery committee that has been gradually cleaning up their cemetery and will start on the stones in the spring.

The OCC has received an \$8000.00 grant from B. C. Heritage Trust, to continue computerizing the burial registers and to build an educational display. The grant will run for nine months.

## CAPITAL REGION DISTRICT - PARKS

Lloyd Rushton 478-3344

"Secrets of the Midden" - is explained and explored at Witty's Lagoon on Sunday, November 16th at 10:00p.m. The walk begins at the Nature House with CRD park archeologist Christine Barnett.

Heritage Week in February will feature a week of events at Witty's Lagoon Oark. For more information, contact CRD Parks at 478-3344 or call the 24 hour info-line at 474-PARK (message updated weekly).

## COLWOOD HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Phyllis Griffiths 478-5485

The Pioneer Cemetery Inventory project is well underway. Project Specialist David Townsend will be undertaking an in-depth study of the site, its history, and the histories of those buried there. David can be contacted at Colwood City Hall, 478-5999.

## FRIENDS OF THE ROYAL B.C. MUSEUM

Sally Gardner 387-5745

The Royal B.C. Museum has a full calendar of events, with nine events taking place in December, from the Mummie Play to slide talks to large screen videos. For a full description of events, call the Events Hotline at 387-5822, or call 387-5745 to obtain a free calendar of events.

## GOLDSTREAM REGION MUSEUM SOCIETY

Phyllis Griffiths 474-6113

The Goldstream Region will be holding "Images of Christmas Past" during the month of December at Building 2, 697 Goldstream Avenue in Langford. The ever popular children's tours will take place throughout the month. This exhibit will be open to the public on Sunday afternoons from 1-4p.m. or by appointment. If you drop by during a tour, you are welcome to join in.

The 1990 Annual General Meeting of the Goldstream Museum Society will be held on Monday, January 8, 1990 in the Museum's 'Upper Room'.

## VICTORIA CITY ARCHIVES

385-5711, local 371

As of November 1, 1989, the Victoria City Archives has relocated to #8 Centennial Square.

## ESQUIMALT ARCHIVES

Irene Bekes 385-2461

October was Heritage Month in Esquimalt. Residents from throughout Greater Victoria came to this Archives sponsored event and enjoyed a slide show and an historic bus tour of the municipality.

## CRAIGDARROCH CASTLE SOCIETY

Bruce Davies 592-5323

Christmas at Craigdarroch - December 1- January 6. There will be a special exhibit of Christmas ornaments, demonstrations of games, a display by the Canadiana Costume Museum and a series of theatrical performances.

# REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS



Bjorn Simonsen 479-1147

## SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The SHF has recently coordinated an excellent video depicting the history of Saanich, which will be specifically aimed at the primary schools. The Foundation was assisted in this project by a grant from the British Columbia Heritage Trust and by the Social Studies Curriculum Coordinators from School Districts 61 and 63. The purpose of the video series is to make available information on Saanich's history to Saanich Schools, as well as other groups and residents within Saanich and the Greater Victoria region. The video is divided into five vignettes: Native and Geological; Fort Victoria and area; Schools of Saanich; Transportation and Industry; and Homes and Gardens. The Foundation is hoping to sell these videos to other municipalities. Presently, a few are available for loan through the Clerk's office at 388-2241, local 303, Ms. Dale Russell. This interesting and informative video complements the recently published book, "Saanich: An Illustrated History", by Geoffrey Castle, available from the Hallmark Society's Bookstore for \$16.00, members price.

There will be a workshop for designated home owners on December 22, 1989.

The Foundation is also making preparations for the Heritage Fair, which commences the third Monday in February. All heritage groups should be making plans to participate.....watch for further details!

The SHF has also produced a HERITAGE HOUSE RESTORATION WORKSHOP MANUAL, funded by the British Columbia Heritage Trust. This useful tool explains how to organize a workshop, and covers everything from foundations to roofs. Each section is illustrated with reprints from 'Old House Journal', and 35 mm slides, showing different phases of restoration work are included. Anyone interested in setting up such a workshop may arrange to borrow the manual from the British Columbia Heritage Trust, 356-1436.

## SAANICH HERITAGE ADVISORY AND ARCHIVAL COMMITTEE

The designation committee is nearing completion of a 'fine-tuned' heritage home inventory to present to council. The schools awareness committee will be challenging the Saanich school children to a heritage contest; the winners receive an award from the mayor and the winning entries will be displayed at the Heritage Fair.

## SAANICH MUNICIPAL ARCHIVES

Geoff Castle 386-2241 local 407

The archives is transcribing fifty aural history interview tapes made recently with partial funding from the British Columbia Heritage Trust. Any long-time Saanich residents who have clear memories of past events, people and buildings, or human interest stories, and would like to relate them, are invited to contact Geoff Castle, Saanich Municipal Archivist at 386-2241 (local 407) 9:00am to 12:30pm, Monday through Friday.

## OAK BAY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The committee is revising, updating and compiling a list of significant homes in Oak Bay to present to council as a guideline to future development proposals and possible eventual designation. The committee is currently restructuring and restaffing. Any Oak Bay residents wishing to serve on this committee should put forward their name to the Municipal Clerk, Mr. William Cochrane, c/o Oak Bay Municipal Hall, 2167 Oak Bay Avenue, V8R 1G2.

## VICTORIA HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A hard working sub-committee, under the Chairmanship of Catherine Campbell (Community Pride), has spent considerable time in recent weeks surveying the Foundation Group Inventory and proposed management plan. While the sub-committee has been generally in agreement, there have been one or two divergences and, in some cases, evolving concepts, which it is hoped, will prove useful if eventually adopted by the whole committee. Discussions are proceeding with B.C.B.C. with regard to designation of the Legislative Precinct Houses. The primary issue with the requested changes to the Yarrow Building is the replacement of the fifth floor windows and the importance of maintaining historic integrity while dealing with practical requirements. The matter of exterior lighting on heritage structures requires further study and recommendation, while in due course, it is hoped that some guidelines will be produced.

John West is the new Chairman of the Heritage Advisory Committee, replacing Barbara Kennedy.

The committee is proud of Alderman Martin Segger's Lieutenant Governors' medal, for his work in heritage.

# SWEATSHIRTS SWEATSHIRTS SWEATSHIRTS



Hallmark has the true Christmas spirit - green or red sweatshirts, yes, now you can dress for the season! The new Winter editions of the Hallmark Sweatshirt are forest green and royal blue, both with white logos in L and XL sizes.

Hedda S. Hopper has been busy buying bunches of grape, as it was the hot colour in the Fall edition and sold out, but now is back in stock - join the crowd and get in the purple...for \$24.00.

Shop at The Members Book Store during the General Meeting December 7 and get wrapped up in a sweat shirt, they're warm and say "Merry Christmas!" to all heritage enthusiasts.

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## VICTORIA REDISCOVERY SOCIETY

November hours:	Helmcken House	10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. daily
	Richard Carr House	12 noon - 4:00 p.m. daily
	Craigflower School House	Saturday and Sunday - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00p.m.
	Point Ellice House	Saturday and Sunday - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00p.m.

December 9, The University Women's Club will be hosting an Emily Carr Birthday tea at Richard Carr House, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Cost \$3.50.

Richard Carr House has tours for school groups by booking, and walking tours every Sunday afternoon, 12 noon to 4:00 p.m.

Helmcken House, a Victorian Christmas, from December 1-31, except Christmas Day and Boxing Day.  
Special holiday hours: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, and 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekends.  
December 21-23 - open 1:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., Cost \$3.00 per person.  
Groups of ten or more can book a tour by calling 387-4697.

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## THE 1843 HERITAGE SOCIETY OF THE VICTORIA HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The 1843 Heritage Society offers educational grants to local students in architectural and landscape conservation courses of the Cultural Resource Management Program offered by UVIC. For more information and application forms, phone Jennifer Barr at 385-4408 or Joy Davis at 721-8462. Recent recipients of the 1843 grants are Melinda Seyler and Allan Collier.

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## CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM - UVIC

Spring Session program includes the course, "Survey Methods in Building Conservation", March 14 - 23, 1990, with Robert Patterson, Building Restoration Consultant as the instructor. Call Joy Davis at UVic for more info., at 721-8462. Fees: \$494.00

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## MEMBERSHIP



Membership has passed the 1000 mark and winners of the 1000th membership prize are Sue Rothwell and Jan West of 126 South Turner Street (hopefully soon to be designated!). Hallmark will officially welcome them to the Society at the Christmas General Meeting on December 7, when they will be presented with their prizes.

By the way, our membership now stands at 1070!!!; however, there are still a lot (150) of memberships which are overdue. Please help your Membership Chairperson, Jennifer Barr by mailing in your dues now! If you have an overdue membership, a notice is attached to this newsletter reminding you.....thanks for your support.

## **B.C. HERITAGE TRUST GRANTS AWARDED FROM JANUARY - OCTOBER 1989**

Hallmark Society - awarded a grant to research and design two exhibits to raise community awareness of heritage preservation as a constructive volunteer activity.

Old Cemeteries Committee - received an award to assist in creating a public education display.

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church - awarded a grant to assist with the restoration of the cupola and finials.

City of Colwood - awarded money to assist with conducting an inventory of the pioneer cemetery in Colwood.

Maritime Museum of B. C. - awarded a grant to assist in consolidating the catalogue of archival collections and providing access to the archive for public reference.

U Vic Public History Department - awarded a grant to reproduce information from the 1881 Census on Vancouver Island.

Hook Sin Tong Society - received an award to assist in carrying out a feasibility study to produce a restoration program.

Greater Victoria Electric Railway Society - received an award to assist with restoration of the "Brill" bus.

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### **HALLMARK SOCIETY WINS HERITAGE TRUST GRANT - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

The Hallmark Society has been awarded a grant of up to \$8000 through the Community Heritage Development Program of the British Columbia Heritage Trust. (THANKS!) The grant will assist the Society to develop two sets of display materials: a large, semi-permanent display for use at the annual Heritage Fair and in shopping centres, municipal halls, museums or other prominent locations; and a highly portable display unit for community fairs, classroom visits, and conferences. The theme of the larger display will be "Greater Victoria's Heritage Resources". The portable unit will explain the history and activities of the Hallmark Society. The Society has secured the services of museum display designer Stuart Stark; Mark Madoff is the project co-ordinator.

**Volunteers who are skilled at finish carpentry, reading and following detailed drawings and plans, or cabinet-making are needed for this project. Please contact Mark Madoff at 384-6971.**

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### **DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS AND STUDENT VOLUNTEERS**



Many students require volunteer service hours for school programs (such as PACE) or to fulfill the requirements of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards. Volunteers are always required in the heritage field, to help out in the many and varied projects that occur in this area. Digging into and preserving the past can be exciting work, and adds a great deal to our community pride. Those students who are interested in doing work in local heritage should contact the Hallmark Society at 382-4755 so their names can be forwarded to the people requiring volunteer assistance. Documentation of hours and letters of reference can be supplied for all volunteers.

# CALENDAR

- Nov. 26 Ross Bay Cemetery Walking Tour "Japanese Graves"  
Nov. 26 "Secrets of the Midden" Walk at Witty's Lagoon - 10:00am  
Dec. 1-31 "Victorian Christmas" at Helmcken House  
Dec. 1 - Jan. 6 Christmas Event at Craigdarroch Castle  
Dec. "Images of Christmas Past" at Goldstream Region Museum  
Dec. 3 Ross Bay Cemetery Walking Tour "Seafarers and Shipwrecks"  
Dec. 7 **Hallmark General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 234 Menzies Avenue**  
Dec. 9 Emily Carr's 118th birthday, 10am to 2pm, 207 Government Street, Tickets available at Munro's Books, Ivy's Book Shop and Village Book Shop for \$3.50 - includes refreshments  
Dec. 10 Ross Bay Cemetery Walking Tour "Spirit of Christmas Past" Part 1  
Dec. 17 Ross Bay Cemetery Walking Tour "Spirit of Christmas Past" Part 2  
Jan. 8 Goldstream Region Museum Society Annual General Meeting  
Feb. 19 - 23 Heritage Week  
Every Sunday 2:00 p.m. Tours of Ross Bay Cemetery  
Every Sunday 12:00 - 4:00 p.m. Tours of Richard Carr House



**FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT** Exhibit "In The Realm Of Ideas" is at the Bellevue Art Museum, 301 Bellevue Square, Bellevue, Washington until January 7, 1990. Phone (206) 454-6021.

## 1990 APT CONFERENCE - CALL FOR PAPERS

Abstracts should be 400 words in length and be submitted to the Program Chairman no later than Jan. 15 to: APT Montreal 1990 Conference, 406, Notre-Dame est, Montreal, Quebec, H2Y 1C8, telephone (514)842-8678, FAX(514)842-8670

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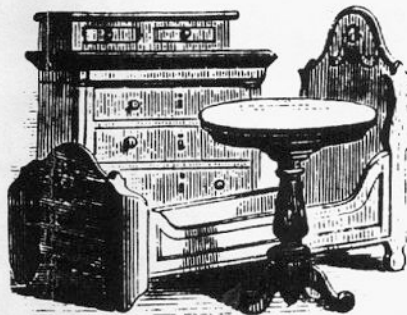
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