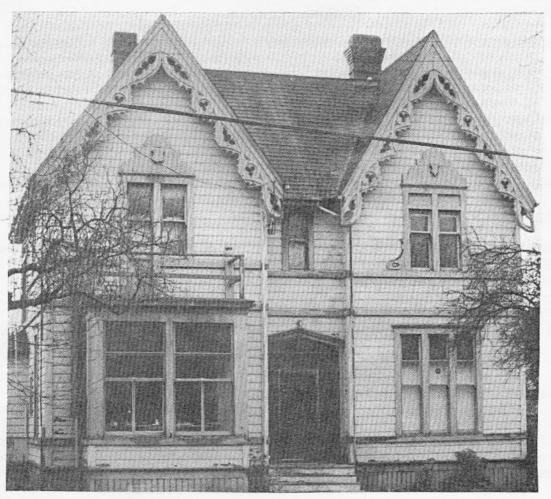
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# THE HALLMARK SOCIETY EWSLETTER

Dedicated to Preserving Historic and Architectural Landmarks



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HAPPY NEW YEAR and welcome to the Hallmark Society's first Newsletter of the 1990's - thanks to the great photos by Al Fry, and the words by Pamela Madoff, Kathleen O'Neill- White, Jennifer Barr and Mark Madoff.

### GENERAL MEETING

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

TRUSTEE:

"LENINGRAD: ARCHITECTURE OF THE IMPERIAL AGE"

Don Luxton, Heritage Consultant and designer for The Foundation Group, and former Hallmark Executive member, will present an illustrated slide show of his recent trip to Leningrad.

Heritage Update (including slides taken by Al Fry, Hallmark Executive Member) and the business meeting will follow the guest speaker.

The First Raffle of the Decade is two chances for the price of one! - the first draw will be for a pair of pearl earrings, donated by Nugget Jewellers, 201-824 Johnson Street and the second draw will be for a gift certificate donated by John's Place Restaurant, 723 Pandora Avenue.

The Members Bookstore, home of the world famous Hallmark Sweatshirt, and the best selection of heritage related books at the lowest price in Victoria, will be open to tempt you!

If you need to renew your lapsed membership or want to join for the first time, Jennifer Barr, Membership Chairperson will be issuing membership cards.

Come and meet new members and renew old acquaintances, during intermission, where you can sample the Hallmark Bakers' cookies(thank you once again for the great tasting baking!), browse and buy at the Bookstore!

See you all at the James Bay New Horizons Centre, 234 Menzies Street, on Thursday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.



I would like to personally extend my warmest wishes to all members of The Hallmark Society for a happy and successful new year.

If the 80's were any indication of what the 90's will be for heritage, then maybe we should be a bit concerned, although ironically, already there is optimism in some heritage related issues and definite improvements in others, and the first month of the new decade is not over.

For instance, The Hallmark Society has exceeded 1000 members with a membership of 1,115! The City's new downtown heritage building incentive program already has a few applications. The St. Ann's Rescue Coalition has filed another petition in the B.C. Supreme Court, and required an interim order preventing the City from issuing a development permit to Academy Gardens Corporation. The Hon. Lyall Hanson, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture, will be reviewing the Provincial Capital Commission policies and procedures to make sure they are acting out their mandate of beautification for the Capital area, rather than focusing on development. B.C. Stena Company has realized the value of keeping the Princess Marguerite in Victoria. The long overdue proposed new Heritage Legislation has been introduced with many positive improvements from the 1977 Conservation Act.

These issues require the urgent response from as many people as possible as soon as possible. We need to continue the momentum. If we show support and continue to be aware of what happens, heritage preservation can only get better by showing our support to our elected leaders in the City. More will be said about these issues elsewhere in this Newsletter.

I urge all our Members to continue in their support of the St. Ann's Rescue Coalition. Through the generous assistance of many people, legal fees from the previous successful court case have been paid. The Coalition requires \$6,000.00 immediatly to continue with their cause. Donations can be made to the Greater Victoria Credit Union, 1001 Blanshard Street, Victoria, B.C., V8W 2H4.

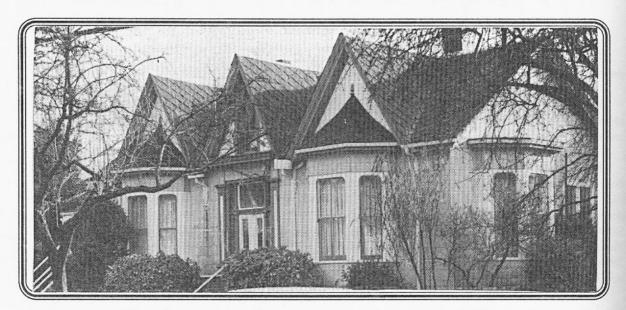
On behalf of The Hallmark Society, I wish to commend the St. Ann's Rescue Coalition for their tenacity and perseverance in fighting to save this sacred building and property.

Victoria's heritage preservation for the '90's could be looking up!



Kathleen O'Neill-White

# COVER STORY: RARE EXAMPLES OF AN ELEGANT VICTORIAN STYLE



Gothic on the Skids - 'Green Gables' - 1263 Richardson

The recent heritage designation of 1139 Burdett Street may ensure that it celebrates its 100th birthday in 1999 intact and, we hope, well on its way to a full restoration.

The house is owned by Louise Rose, the internationally acclaimed pianist, singer and songwriter, who originally applied for heritage designation in 1980, but was declined at that time.

Built in the carpenter Gothic style for William Pinder, a land surveyor, the house is one of only a small handful of buildings of this style that survive in Victoria. Its steep roofline, lacy bargeboards, elaborate 2nd-storey window casements and Tudoresque entranceway render it a sigmificant local landmark.

Other examples of carpenter Gothic architecture in Victoria include Wentworth Villa (built in 1862 and now known as Faith Grant Antiques) at 1156 Fort Street. It shares many of the architectural features of the Pinder House and in addition has a particularly fine wooden-mullioned arched Gothic window on the front facade. The house was saved from demoltion by Mrs. Grant in 1940 when she purchased it from the city for back taxes.

Green Gables (ca 1876) at 1263 Richardson originally stood at the corner of Langham Court and Rockland Avenue. Its owner had the house pulled down the hill on horse-drawn skids in 1889 in order to allow for the construction of a mansion called "The Laurels". Although neglected of late and covered with duroid shingles, Green Gables is a particularly elegant example of a picturesque carpenter Gothic cottage. Its future is uncertain at the moment. A developer has proposed moving the house closer to Cornwall Avenue and building townhouses on the remaining property.

The house at 3501 Cedar Hill Road is maintained in remarkably original condition. Its garden setting provides a lovely backdrop for this delightful house. It was also moved from its original location but in this instance only a matter of 300 feet.

The Skene Lowe house at 132 South Turner has recently undergone much restoration and now sports an eyecatching paint job. Built in 1897, the house features a delicate wraparound verandah and a romantic second-3 storey sleeping porch tucked under the steep Gothic roofline.



'Wentworth Villa': A Connoisseur's Haven For More Than 40 Years - 1156 Fort Street

#### SWEATSHIRTS SWEATSHIRTS SWEATSHIRTS SWEATSHIRTS

A new year, a new decade - a new sweatshirt.....yes, good reasons to sport a new Hallmark sweatshirt in moss green, berry red, grape, nautical blue, fuschia, emerald or eggplant. all at \$24.00 in Large and extra-large sizes.

The Members Bookstore will be selling smart sweatshirts at the General Meeting, Thursday March 1 - they're warm and cozy, perfect for the upcoming chilly months.

The sweatshirts are always for sale by contacting Pamela Madoff, Hallmark Vice-President, at 384-6971.

# HALL MARK ADVERTISING POLICY

~\$10.00 per inch x 6 inches wide

~all ad layouts are accepted at the discretion of the Editor

~camera ready ads are accepted or can be designed by the Editor

~the ad must be of interest to members of the Hallmark Society

### **CLASSIFIEDS**

Restricted to three lines or 50 words

Non-Commercial

~\$10.00 to non-members

Commercial

~\$5.00 to members

~free to members

~\$10.00 to non-members

Contact the Editor, Joan McCorry, at 386-0106(home) or 387-3212(work) to place your ad!



The 16th Annual Hallmark Awards Night is set for Tuesday, May 1, 1990 at the Esquimalt Fleet Club on Lyall Street.

The deadline for nomination submissions has been extended to February 15, 1990. The categories are: Commercial, Residential, Groups, Individuals, Publications, Gardens, and Commercial Interiors. All nominated projects had to have been completed by December 31, 1989.

More details will be published in upcoming Newsletters, but don't forget to mark Tuesday, May 1 on your calender, a gala evening that will be both informative and fun.

#### E AND N RAILWAY AND PRINCESS MARGUERITE NEGOTIATIONS

John West has been involved in the discussions on the E & N and Maggie, as the representative from the Hallmark Society, and his efforts are appreciated. Thanks, John!

# On A Personal Note





We have decided to start a column to keep you informed about fellow Hallmark members. If you have news about a member, please phone Helen Edwards at 382-4755.

We would like to welcome new members Brian Seymour, Sheila Welsh, Alan Filmer, and Les and Thomas Pickell.

Hallmark also gives a rousing cheer to Peter Walton, Past President, who has recently moved back to Victoria from Winnipeg. We note with pleasure that he has immediatly resumed heritage activities, being appointed to the Victoria Heritage Advisory Committee for 1990.

We are sorry to report the death of Hallmark member Marjorie C. Holmes this past month.

### HELP SAVE ST. ANN'S WITH YOUR HELP WE CAN WIN!

The St. Ann's Rescue Community Coalition
is going to court,
this time on the issue of conflict of interest
Help keep St. Ann's for proper public use
by donating at the Greater Victoria Savings Credit Union
1001 Blanshard Street, Victoria, V8W 2H4
For information or to make a personal donation
phone: 388-5854 or 388-4046

# FIFTH ANNUAL HERITAGE FAIR



Join the Saanich Heritage Foundation in promoting Heritage Week 1990 at the Hillside Centre, February 19-24. This year's fair will be the biggest ever, with 20 local organizations and agencies scheduled to take part. It promises to be a fascinating selection of booths, exhibits and presentations of heritage interest. This year, several groups new to the fair will be adding their displays to the week long exposition.

Special events will include a fashion show on Saturday, February 24, presented by the Royal Victorian Heritage Fashions Society. In addition, the Vintage Car Club of Canada will have a fine selection of heritage autos displayed throughout the Centre for the entire week. And, don't miss the great book selection offered at The Hallmark Society booth!

Why not start off this brand new decade with a delightful and informative look at the past? Take an hour and find out what other community groups are doing to preserve our unique heritage.

The fair is sponsored by The Saanich Heritage Foundation and Hillside Centre. For more information about the fair, contact Bjorn Simonsen (479-1147) or Brian Seymour (380-7782).

### Confirmed Exhibitors/Participants in the Heritage Fair

B.C. Historical Federation - Victoria Chapter British Columbia Heritage Trust City of Colwood City of Victoria - Planning Department Craigdarroch Castle Historical Museum Society **Dodd House Historical Society** Greater Victoria Electric Railway Society Fort Rodd Hill National Historic Park Hallmark Society Heritage Tree Project of The Victoria Horticultural Society National Urban Archaeology Society **Old Cemeteries Committee** Royal Victorian Heritage Fashions Society Saanich Heritage Advisory Commitee Saanich Heritage Foundation Saanich Pioneers' Society Takata Japanese Garden Society Victoria City Archives Victoria Heritage Foundation Vintage Car Club of Canada



### VICTORIA HERITAGE FOUNDATION RESTORATION SEMINAR

On Saturday March 10, 9:00a.m. - 4:30p.m., the V.H.F. and the B.C. Community Pride Program will sponsor a seminar for owners of Heritage Designated Residential Property in the City of Victoria. The day will offer the "how to" of planning the restoration of your home: sequencing of each aspect; who can help; where to get all the different things you need; and discussion of specific problems encountered by the home owners.

There is limited space available, and \$10.00 per person will be charged to cover refreshments, etc.

For more information, please contact Jennifer Barr, V.H.F. Administrator at 385-4408.

### THE HALLMARK EMPORIUM

This month the intrepid Hedda S. Hopper travels to the desert of the American southwest in search of antique treasures. Definitely not an easy task - if the cactus barbs don't get you the shopping malls will.

The city of Tuscon, although it has a population of more than 450,000, has a very small downtown. The city sprawls for miles and shopping is carried on in any one of the hundreds of malls that cover the city. The downtown block surrounding the newly refurbished Hotel Congress has a number of interesting new shops and one antique shop that was planning to open the day we strolled in. Run by a particularly charming and helpful fellow, the store stocked an amazing range of items from Victorian rosette curtain tiebacks to miniature primitive twig bunkbeds (perfect for the child with a rustic dollhouse). Since the majority of antique and collectible shops in Tuscon are located in strip malls, the shop owner's tip that took us to an antique business housed in a Victorian brick home that is listed on the National Register for Historical Homes was a particular treat.

Irma Langton is a charming southern lady, originally from Virginia, who invites you into her shop as graciously as she would admit a welcome visitor to her home. After explaining the layout of the building Irma leaves you to your own devices saying, "You don't need me to tell you what you want, but stop in the kitchen on your way out and remember everything is for sale." This is a necessary reminder as first and foremost this is Irma's home; it just happens that there are discreet price tags on everything. From the panelled entranceway, which featured a magnificent pair of French art glass torcheres, we made our way into the double drawing room with its Victorian parlour set and pre-Civil War pieces. The front parlour is lit by an exquisite early Victorian fixture with a cranberry glass shade and elaborate decoration (unfortunatly already sold). We moved from room to room in an intoxicated daze overwhelmed by the extraordinary collection of oriental and Victorian antiques, art glass, bronzes, paintings, crystal, porcelain, screens, mirrors, lamps, scrolls, majolica, etc.

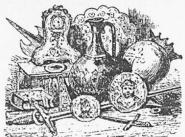
The upstairs bedrooms nearly proved my undoing as I had to fight the overwheming urge to lay down. One bedroom is furnished entirely with Eastlake furniture, another with Renaissance Revival, another with wicker and a brass and cast iron bed and another with a Chinese wedding bed. All of the rooms give the impression that the occupant has just stepped out for a moment. The way in which this house is furnished would put many historic homes to shame. Imagine the temptations presented strolling through a beautifully interpreted museum where everything is for sale.

When you have torn yourself from the last room in the house your visit is not yet over. Stepping out the back door into an enclosed courtyard you come upon three self-contained one-bedroom adobe cottages. Each cottage is fully furnished and again everything is for sale. I still find myself dreaming of the white wicker sleigh bed that was in one of the living rooms.

As wonderful as the house was and as tempting as the antiques were the most memorable part of our visit to the shop was meeting Irma, the loveliest, warmest and most gracious person we met on our wanderings in Tuscon.

Until next time, keep shopping!

Accent Antiques is located at 505 South 6th Avenue in Tuscon, Arizona. (They can arrange to ship anywhere!)



HEDDA S. HOPPER



### HERITAGE WHITE PAPER GIVES PROMISE AND CHALLENGE

"Toward Heritage Legislation: A Proposal for Public Review," the long awaited white paper released by the Hon. Lyall Hanson, Minister of Municipal Affairs, Recreation and Culture in early January, in many ways charts the course towards more effective management of British Columbia's heritage resources. It proposes significant changes to the Heritage Conservation and Municipal Acts which will affect British Columbians' abilities to identify and protect important heritage sites, streetscapes, and archaeological or cultural treasures.

This article briefly describes some of the important provisions outlined in the white paper. It begins the Hallmark Society's efforts to educate our members and community about the elements of the white paper which we should urge our political representatives to enact into law and to enforce.

- 1. Heritage Zoning: The white paper introduces a new tool for protecting heritage resources. Heritage zoning would be part of the ordinary municipal planning process. Once identified, heritage buildings or sites could be included in a special heritage zone, which would carry with it certain controls on further development and also certain benefits and privileges for the owner. Among the benefits would be relaxation of fire and building codes, streamlining of the planning and permit process for rehabilitation, and possible broader permitted land uses under the heritage zone. There would be no requirement for municipalities to compensate owners of heritage zoned properties.
- 2. **Jurisdiction**: Regional Districts would be able to exercise the same kinds of controls over heritage resources in unincorportated areas as municipalities would have. This might make for better protection in rural districts.
- 3. **Designation**: Heritage designation, with its attendant liability for the designator to compensate the owner for economic loss, would continue, especially as a means of emergency protection of hitherto unrecognized heritage properties.
- 4. *Conflict Reduction*: The spirit of the proposed legislation strikes a balance between property rights and community rights. It provides for an appeal procedure which, in principle, should not become a huge loophole for defeating the purpose of the legislation.
- 5. "The Carrot": In addition to the benefits of heritage zoning, the white paper encourages the creative use of property tax remission, grants-in-aid-of-restoration, and other financial incentives to heritage property owners.
- 6. "The Stick": The white paper mandates hefty fines and jail terms for private and corporate destruction of heritage sites.
- 7. Transition: The white paper requires that jurisdictions identify and protect their heritage resources within five years of the enactment of the legislation. Evidently, present designations would have to be reinforced, heritage zonings worked out between planners and owners.. There may be some provincial government financial assistance in this process, especially to municipalities which face heavy work loads in completing this work because their heritage resources are so numerous. The transition period is a time when sites may be added to (or lost from) the municipal and regional lists.

Look for further discussion of the white paper in future issues of the Newsletter and at Hallmark Societysponsored events. In the meantime, contact the Heritage Conservation Branch for information about the proposed legislation, and write or call your MLAs or the Hon. Lyall Hanson, NDP MLA Robin Blencoe, the Hon. Cliff Michael, Minister of Tourism, your Mayor and Council and even local developers to express your support or concerns.

### HERITAGE UPDATE



#### RECENT HERITAGE TRUST GRANTS

St. Andrew Victoria Housing Society was awarded a grant to restore the Saanich War Memorial Health Centre.

Songhees Indian Band was awarded a C.H.D.P. grant to research, compile and organize correspondence and other documents relating to the Songhees Trust.

### Courses

# CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AT UVIC SPRING SESSION COURSES INCLUDE:

SURVEY METHODS IN BUILDING CONSERVATION

March 14-23, 1990

Insructor: Robert Patterson, P.Eng. Building Restoration Consultant

EXHIBIT DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

April 3-12, 1990

Instructor: Carol Meyer, Curator of Collections, UBC Museum of Anthropology

GETTING IT OUT AND BACK: TRAVELLING EXHIBITIONS FOR THE SMALL MUSEUM

March 29-31, 1990

Instructor: Dr. Sonya Tanner Kaplash

BRINGING HISTORY TO LIFE: ANIMATION AS AN INTERPRETIVE TOOL

April 18-20, 1990

Instructor: Doug Cole

HISTORIC CITIES AND THE SEA

May 7-12, 1990

Professor Martin Segger, UVIC and Professor Jan Rosvall, University of Gothenberg

Location: InterUniversity Centre, Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION MATERIALS, PLEASE CONTACT JOY DAVIES AT 721-8462

### 1843 HERITAGE SOCIETY

This Society, which is allied with the Victoria Heritage Foundation, offers Educational Grants to local residents taking courses in the UVic Cultural Resource Management Program. For futher details, please contact Joy Davis of the CRM Program at 721-8462, or Jennifer Barr of the 1843 Heritage Society at 385-4408.

### CLASSIFIEDS

The

Whyte House

Bed and Breakfast

Melinda Seyler, Proprieter (Hallmark Executive Member)

155 Rendall Street in James Bay, Victoria, B.C. Phone: 389-1598



### REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS



#### FRIENDS OF HATLEY PARK

The Annual General Meeting will be held Thursday, April 5, 1990, at 7:30 p.m. at the Castle. Everyone welcome.

#### VICTORIA HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Committee expressed its concern to Council about the developer's plans for St. Ann's. VHAC would prefer to see a public use for the grounds. It also considers the interior space at St. Ann's important. The recent White Paper on proposed heritage legislation strengthens this concern.

The Committee is also concerned about the future of the E&N and the Princess Marguerite, considering them to be important heritage objects for the area.

#### VICTORIA HERITAGE FOUNDATION

. Guidelines and application forms for the 1990 grants were mailed to eligible designated heritage home owners in the City of Victoria at the end of January. This means 161 owners, although about 10 are only eligible for partial grants, as the houses combine residential and commercial use.

#### DODD HOUSE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

"Open House" is closed until April 1, but interested groups may always phone 477-4464 (Nancy Griffin) or 477-5026 (Jo MacGregor) and make arrangements for a date and time. A new(old) lamp and a sign will be installed on the house, thanks to memorial donations. See you at the Heritage Fair at Hillside Mall, February 19-24.

#### HIGHLAND HERITAGE SOCIETY

Monday night events this Spring at the Caleb Pike House, 1589 Millstream Road, include a slide show on Western Community history, a folk music evening, and a quilt making "bee". For information, call Nancy McMinn, 478-4403.

#### SAANICH PIONEERS SOCIETY

The archival group of the Society were delighted recently to receive a grant from the Seniors Lottery, enabling them to purchase a very versatile photo copier. This will be of great assistance in their work of preserving the history of the Saanich pioneer families. Over the past two years this volunteer group has worked hard to compile a computerized filing system for the hundreds of files and photos in their possession and they are justifiably proud of their achievements to date. Both the Archives and the Society's log cabin museum on the Agricultural Society's fairground at 7910 East Saanich Road, Saanichton, are open to the public every Monday from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00p.m. Interested visitors are always welcome to browse among the artifacts or to research family history. Please come along and see what the Society is doing.

#### GOLDSTREAM REGION MUSEUM SOCIETY

#2-697 Goldstream Avenue

Recipes and sponsors are being sought for the upcoming cookbooks; "Tastes of Summers Past, Vol. 1 "and "Tastes of Christmas Past Vol. 2" A program of seminars and workshops is being arranged to train volunteers in basic museum skills. The first seminar "Museum Collections Management" will be held on Saturday, February 10, 1990, commencing at 9:00a.m. There is no fee, but pre-registration is required by phoning 474-6113.

# REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS





The Tree List is in the process of being revised, as it is each year at this time. Copies are presented to the Mayor and Council and the Parks Department of each municipality or area in the Capital Regional District. Copies may be obtained by phoning Winnie Crooks at 479-3279. A list of heritage orchards is also being compiled. The Heritage Tree Project meets at the Forest Research Centre, 506 Burnside Road East, every third Thursday at 7:30 p.m., everyone welcome. Come and see the Project's booth at the Heritage Fair at the Hillside Mall, February 19-24.

#### CFB ESQUIMALT NAVAL MUSEUM

The Museum's supporting society (CFB Esquimalt Museum and Archives Society) is actively seeking new members. As part of this membership drive, the Society is offering a framed limited edition print of a painting entitled "Pacific Rendezvous" by Bo Hermanson valued at \$150.00. All new members names will be entered in a draw for this print. Anyone wishing more information should contact the Chairman, Mr. Ian Black or call the CFB Esquimalt Naval Museum at 380-4395.

#### ESQUIMALT MUNICIPAL ARCHIVES

Heritage issues and projects have been a priority in Esquimalt.

Last Fall, on the recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee, Esquimalt Council adopted a policy to protect Heritage Trees in the community.

A new Society, the Esquimalt Heritage Pride Foundation has been formed to preserve and promote heritage structures and sites in the municipality. The first Annual General Meeting is Wednesday February 21, 1990. (phone 385-2461(216) or 385-2967 for details)

The Esquimalt Archives saw nearly 100 people participate in Heritage Month slide shows and a bus tour in October. As well, historical slide shows were given to 390 school students and community group members as part of a community outreach program for 1989.

#### REDISCOVERY SOCIETY

Carr House - open daily through the winter, noon to 4:00 p.m. Walking tours of the Carrs' neighbourhood occur every Sunday.

Helmcken House is open daily 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. through the middle of February.

Craigflower Manor remains open 10:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. through the winter.

Richard Carr House has also introduced a new school program which is proving quite successful. Anyone interested in booking, call 387-4697.

#### **OLD CEMETERIES COMMITTEE**

Sunday tours of the Ross Bay Cemetery start February 4 and continue every Sunday throughout the year. The meeting place in at the Fairfield Plaza in front of the Bagga Pasta at 2:00p.m. For more details call 384-0045.

#### CRAIGDARROCH CASTLE SOCIETY

A proclamation and tea were held the second week in January to kick off the Centennial Year celebration. Special events are in the works - watch your newspapers for announcement of special events. The Castle had record Christmas attendance and is looking forward to a busy spring and summer. A Centennial plaque will be put in place during Heritage Week at the Government and Fort Street Corner.

RETRACTION: Due to an editorial error in the last Newsletter, John West was listed as the Chairman of the Victoria Heritage Advisory Committee; in fact Hilda Symons is Chairman and John West replaced Barbara Kennedy as the VHF representative on the VHAC.

# REGIONAL HERITAGE NEWS



#### ST. ANDREWS CATHEDRAL RESTORATION COMMITTEE

The restoration and copper roof work contract is nearing completion, including gold plating of the finial crosses. The project for spring is a renovation to the interior main lobby to be done in a 19th century High Victorian theme.

#### SAANICH HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Foundation is again sponsoring the Heritage Fair in the Hillside Mall, which starts February 19 and concludes February 24.

The Foundation has a new member, Nigel Banks, a designer.

The Foundation is considering creating a general membership category and is also considering taking on a restoration of its own.

#### SAANICH HERITAGE ADVISORY AND ARCHIVAL COMMITTEE

New members this year include Louise Ditmars, George Gunn, Bill Assad and Larry Webb. It will be a busy and productive year with the completion of the buillding inventory and the bus tour of heritage homes in Saanich.

#### OAK BAY HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

This new committee has been struck in Oak Bay and the members include, Russ Irvine, the former Director of the Heritage Conservation Branch; Geoff Castle, a local historical author and archivist; Jean Sparks; Alderman Ed Flanagan and Stuart Stark, author of the book on Oak Bay's heritage buildings.

#### SAANICH ARCHIVES

The book, Saanich: An Illustrated History is selling well.

#### B.C. HISTORICAL SOCIETY - VICTORIA BRANCH

The following programmes will be presented:

February 22 - Charles Lillard, "Pre - 1950 B.C. Coastal Cruising Literature"

March 22 - Ken Leeming, "Reminiscences of Victoria"

April 26 - Larry Tickner, "Labour History in Victoria"

May 24 - Mr. Arnet, "Tofino History"

A change of the name of the Society to Victoria Historical Society is pending.

The Building and Site Marker Committee is making an inventory of historically significant locations for consideration and selection of placement of suitable plaques. The Committee welcomes suggestions for inclusion on the list and would like to hear from individuals and businesses who might like to share in sponsorship of a particular historical marker. Please call the Committee Chairman, Geoff Castle at 592-4161.

#### **B.C. MUSEUMS ASSOCIATION**

Executive Director, Rick Duckles leaves the BCMA at the end of January for the challenge of being a CUSO worker at the Museum of Popular Culture in Heredia, Costa Rica.

### CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT, PARKS

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

# THIRD ANNUAL JESSIE WOOLLETT PHOTO CONTEST

The Jessie Woollett Memorial Photo Award will again, for the third year, be awarded to the entry which best captures the competition theme of, "Captured Heritage: Photographic Images of Historic Structures in the Victoria area". The Award was created to honour Jessie and promote an awareness of the unique heritage resources in the Victoria area.

#### COMPETITION RULES

- 1. The submissions (regular or jumbo size snapshots) must not have been previously published.
- 2. Images must not have been taken for a professional fee.
- 3. Entries must be received no later than April 3, 1990.
- 4. Entries may be mailed to or dropped off at 953 Empress Avenue, Victoria, B.C., V8T 1N8
- 5. Winners will be announced at the Annual Hallmark Awards Night on May 1, 1990.
- 6. Only one entry will be accepted from any one person.
- 7. All entries must be accompanied by the entrant's name, address, phone number and subject address.
- All entries become the property of the Hallmark Society and may be used by them to promote heritage awareness. Entries will not be returned.
- 9. Enties will be judged on photographic skill and exemplification of the heritage theme.
- Judges' decisions are final.
- 11. Prize money will be \$50.00.

# HALLMARK SOCIETY BOOTH AT THE HERITAGE FAIR

Heritage Week will be February 19-24, and Hallmark will once again be at the Heritage Fair at the Hillside Mawith displays, books and memberships for sale.

Anyone who would be willing to help on the Hallmark table at some point during these days, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Cyril Hume at 656-1834. Its always fun to meet the public, talk to people from the groups with booths, and view the wide variety of heritage displays. Don't forget to attend!!

## CALENDAR

Feb. 10	Goldstream Region Museum Society Seminar - Museum Collections Management
Feb. 15	Deadline to nominate buildings for an Hallmark Award of Merit
Feb. 18	Ross Bay Cemetery Tour by Pamela Madoff, "Architects and Home Builders"
Feb. 21	The Esquimalt Heritage Pride Foundation AGM
March 1	The Hallmark Society's General Meeting, 7:30 p.m., 234 Menzies Street
March 10	"Be A Tourist In Your Own Home Town" - Heritage Walking Tour of James Bay led by Hallmark Society Tour Guides
March 10	Victoria Heritage Foundation Restoration Seminar
April 3	Deadline for entries to the Annual Jessie Woollett Photograph Contest
April 15	Friends of Hatley Park Society AGM at Hatley Castle
May I Every Sunday Every Day	The Hallmark Society's 16th Annual Awards Night Ross Bay Cemetery Walking Tours, 2:00 p.m. Tours of Richard Carr House, noon to 4:00 p.m.

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On February 18th, The Old Cemeteries Committee will present a tour of Ross Bay Cemetery that will be of special interest to Hallmark Members. Pamela Madoff, Hallmark Vice-President, will conduct a tour of the final resting place of some of Victoria's most prominent architects. The tour will also feature the graves of a number of people who built significant homes in Victoria.

The tour assembles in front of Bagga Pasta in the Fairfield Plaza at 2:00 p.m.

### HERITAGE TOURS ARE IN DEMAND

Due to increasing requests from various organizations, The Hallmark Society has implemented a policy for heritage tours. The charge is \$5.00 per person, with a minimum charge of \$25.00 per group. Because the Society relies solely on volunteers from amongst its members, three to four weeks advance notice is required to book the Society's knowledgeble tour guides. Any Hallmark members who are interested in becoming a tour guide, please contact Kathleen O'Neill-White at 592-8344 or Pamela Madoff at 384-6971.

### BE A TOURIST IN YOUR OWN TOWN

The 18th Annual BE-A-TOURIST-IN-YOUR-OWN-TOWN is fast approaching with the dates set for Friday March 9 to Sunday March 11. Over 10,000 people attended last year! This year, an additional theme will be introduced in this successful event: *Heritage Walking Tours*. The tours will be scheduled for Saturday March 10 and will focus on the James Bay area. Keep your eyes and ears alert for more details through local newspapers and radio. See you there!

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