

Heritage Ottawa

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, May 17, 1976, 8:00 p.m.

Museum of Man
McLeod Street at Elgin

Speaker:
John Stewart, Period Landscape Architect

Subject:
Original Landscape Plans for Parliament Hill

The talk will be preceded by the business meeting, the annual general meeting of Heritage Ottawa. The meeting will include the President's Report, nomination and election of the Board of Directors, revisions to the By-laws and other business which may properly be brought before the annual meeting.

All members of Heritage Ottawa are urged to attend this important meeting.

FUTURE MEETING

Following the annual general meeting the next regular meeting of Heritage Ottawa will be held in the fall of 1976. Time and place have not been decided - watch for notice in your Newsletters.

TOUR OF AYLMEY AND LUCERNE

Saturday, June 19, 1976
12:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Tour Tickets \$5.00 each

This tour of heritage buildings is being conducted by the Aylmer Historical Society. Heritage Ottawa is arranging a bus to transport interested members from Ottawa to Aylmer and return. The bus will leave from the Fraser Schoolhouse at 12:30 p.m. and return there.

Tickets may be purchased, prior to June 11, from Mrs. Eleanor Polk, 34 Union Street, New Edinburgh, telephone 749-9113.

HELP WANTED

Heritage Ottawa is a very busy organization and we have many irons in the fire. Projects include efforts to promote the conservation of our architectural heritage, to raise money to support these efforts, and other activities for the enjoyment and education of our members and others.

Our President, Martin Weil, is a very busy man. He is deeply committed to the cause of conservation and does his utmost. The Board of Directors likewise does all that it can to initiate and carry out its mandate. But the President and the Board need the active participatory assistance of other members of Heritage Ottawa.

We need help in the following endeavours:

1. A regular (weekly or semi-weekly) program of housekeeping at the Fraser Schoolhouse. This time of the year, we really should carry out a spring cleaning;
2. Volunteers to help plan and promote a Heritage Ball to be held in Ottawa in October. Please call David Lewis 237-2105 (office) - 722-5252 (home);
3. Scribes and sages who can write articles about our heritage for publication in our Newsletter;
4. Persons who may enjoy helping in assembling and presenting exhibits in our gallery at the Schoolhouse;
5. Volunteers to help plan and promote a garden party this summer at the Billings House;
6. Volunteers to preside as docents at the Fraser Schoolhouse this summer.

Offers of assistance will be gratefully received by Martin Weil at 996-4065 or by any member of the Board.

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR CONSERVATION

The annual meeting of the Canadian Group of the Institute will take place on Friday and Saturday, May 28-29, 1976 at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. The meeting is designed to provide a series of interesting papers, events and the opportunity for much needed contact between conservators and other professionals.

The Association for Preservation Technology has arranged to give a number of papers on the Saturday afternoon. Speakers will include P. Pratt, P. Stumes, D. Nicastro, M. Weaver and J. Dalibard of the Association. For more information call Martin Weil at 996-4065 (days).

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W.E. NOFFKE EXHIBIT

Heritage Ottawa will hold an exhibit on W.E. Noffke, FRAIC (1878-1964) in the Heritage Ottawa Gallery, Fraser School House, 62 John Street, from May 16 - June 27, 1976. The exhibit, which was researched, prepared and mounted by Heritage Ottawa members Joan Mackie and Harold Kalman, will consider the entire range of Noffke's work through the exhibit of original drawings and photographs of existing structures.

Werner Ernest Noffke was born in Stolp, Germany, in 1878, and as a child came to Ottawa with his family. After receiving his architectural education at the Ontario School of Art, he opened an office in Ottawa in January 1901. During sixty years as an active architect, Noffke carried out an extensive and distinguished practice. He numbered among his clients the federal government, for whom he designed the Post Office at Sparks and Elgin Streets and many departmental buildings; and the Lutheran Church, for whom he did numerous churches across Ontario. His commercial structures include the Blackburn Building and the Medical Arts Building, and he designed fine houses for many of Ottawa's business and social elite. He was a Fellow of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, and a president of the Ottawa Chapter of the Ontario Association of Architects. Noffke retired from practice in 1961, and died three years later.

SSAC ARCHIVES COMMITTEE PRESENTATION TO THE ROYAL ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF CANADA

At the conclusion of the 1975 seminar on architectural records conducted by the Archives Committee of the Society, it was decided that the Society would carry out pilot projects in Alberta and New Brunswick to evaluate the scope of architectural records that survive in architects' offices and to determine the type of questions that the architects raised concerning the preservation of their material. The pilot projects were to be carried out by Roger Nason of the New Brunswick Archives and of the University of Calgary Library. The results of this work and a proposal for further action is to be presented by Jim Knight, Archives Committee Chairman, to the members of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada at their Annual Meeting, May 17-20, 1976 in Ottawa.

As a means to dramatize the need to preserve architectural records the Society and Heritage Ottawa will co-sponsor a special opening of the exhibit on W.E. Noffke at the Heritage Ottawa Gallery for the members of the RAIC and the Ottawa Association of Architects. The opening ceremony will include presentation of a Noffke watercolour drawing of the Grey Nun's Convent in Ottawa to the Public Archives of Canada.

TECHNICAL HELP NEEDED

Stuart Lazear is looking for persons technically inclined who can help with the preparation of audio-visual kits concerning heritage subjects. Stuart doesn't need equipment - he has all he needs. He would appreciate some help in the man-hours department. Stuart would also like to hear from school teachers who want to use these kits in their classrooms. Call 233-8270.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Heritage Ottawa is going to set up booths this month at Carlingwood and St. Laurent shopping centres to sell our booklets, publications, etc. Volunteers to man the booths are needed.

We also expect to provide booths at various crafts fairs in the area this summer.

Volunteers call: Stuart Lazear, 233-8270.

Persons who know of the existence and whereabouts of original architectural drawings, sketches, papers, records, diaries, etc. could telephone Harold Kalman in Ottawa at 238-4607.

CARE AND RESTORATION OF OLDER HOMES

The series of five public lectures sponsored by Heritage Ottawa and the Sandy Hill Heritage Committee on the above subject got off to a very successful start on Wednesday, May 5th. It is said that nearly 400 people attended - a testament to the interest in the preservation of older houses. Accordingly, in order to accommodate everyone comfortably the talks are being moved to Marion Hall, University of Ottawa at 365 Nicholas Street, 8:00 p.m. Ample free parking. The first talk concerned problems which develop on the exterior of homes and was given by Martin Weaver, a Restoration Architect with the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs. Future talks will include:

- May 12 - Renovation and Neighbourhood Compatibility
Edward MacFarlane, Restoration Architect
- May 19 - The Process of Interior Renovation
Brian Wiles, Algonquin College
- May 26 - A Detailed Review of Interior Renovation
Nigel Hutchins, Algonquin College
Gerry White, Algonquin College
- June 2 - A Question and Answer Session
A panel will answer written questions related to the previous lectures.