

NEWSLETTER

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FEBRUARY MEETING

DATE Monday, February 20, 1978
8:00 p.m.

PLACE La Salle Academy, Sussex Drive,
Audio-Visual Room. Use the main
entrance on Guigues Avenue.

This being Heritage Day, Michael Newton, N.C.C. researcher, will give an illustrated talk on The Development and Growth of Lowertown, 1827 to the Founding of the Capital. Since Mr. Newton has discovered a group of extant buildings in Lowertown which he dates to pre-1854, this promises to be an extremely interesting evening.

HERITAGE DAY, 1978

While Heritage Day, 1978 is officially being celebrated on Monday, February 20, Heritage Ottawa will hold a ceremony in the Mayor's Office on Friday, February 17, at which time the Mayor will present Heritage Ottawa Awards of Recognition to citizens who have made special contributions to the continued preservation of the heritage of our city. The March Newsletter will report the recipients of this year's awards.



LA SALLE ACADEMY, SUSSEX DRIVE

HERITAGE OTTAWA, P.O. Box 510, Stn. B, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 5P6

HERITAGE OTTAWA GALLERY

"Winter Sports in Ottawa" continues at the Fraser Schoolhouse, 62 John Street. Open weekends from 1:00 until 5:00, the exhibition presents numerous photographs and artifacts depicting vice-royalty, championship sportspersons and the local citizenry enjoying winter sports in Ottawa.

MEMBERSHIPS

Attached to this Newsletter is a list of all Heritage Ottawa's paid-up members. As was reported in the September Newsletter, membership cards are not being distributed this year in an effort to economize on the association's expenditures. If your name does not appear on this list, please renew your membership by filling in the attached form and returning it, with the appropriate money, to Heritage Ottawa, Box 510, Station B, Ottawa, K1P 5P6

NATIONAL GALLERY LECTURE SERIES

Under the auspices of the National Gallery of Canada, a five-lecture series on the architecture of Sandy Hill will be given, in French, by Carol Sheedy. The following topics will be presented at the Gallery:

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| Thursday, Feb. 2
at 8 p.m. | Introduction: Contexte historique et social du quartier. |
| Thursday, Feb. 9
at 8 p.m. | Historique des styles architecturaux des maisons de la Côte-de-Sable. |
| Thursday, Feb. 23
at 8 p.m. | Façades des maisons de la Côte-de-Sable au cours des siècles. |
| Thursday, Mar. 2
at 8 p.m. | Toits des maisons de la Côte-de-Sable, pignons, cheminées, lucarnes, girouettes. |
| Thursday, Mar. 9
at 8 p.m. | Les vitraux des maisons de la Côte-de-Sable. |

LACAC NOTES - a brief review of LACAC activities for the past three months

The Cattle Castle, Lansdowne Park

It was recommended that a subcommittee be mandated to work with the Lansdowne Development Advisory Committee to report to Council on possible designation and use of the building. Other Lansdowne Park buildings will be examined for heritage value.

Murray Street Synagogue Murals

The Committee to Save the Murals, consisting of representatives from the Jewish Historical Society, the Jewish Community Council and Heritage Ottawa, has received a proposal outlining the procedures, schedule and expenditures for the murals. Machzikei Hadas Synagogue and the Museum of Man have both expressed an interest in obtaining the murals, and methods of raising funds to carry out the work of removing them are now being discussed. Results are expected by the end of January.

Regional Transit Development Program

Plans are underway for a new transit route which may affect heritage buildings in and around the downtown area of the city. The Transit Technical Working Committee has made suggestions as to the best route possible with the least threat to heritage properties. For example, one route under consideration passes 60 yards to the south of "Park Hill", the Billings Estate. The proposed volume of traffic would have a damaging impact on the rural, tranquil feeling which gives the Estate so much of its character. Alderman Bédard, Chairman of LACAC,

voiced his preference for the alternative which passes along King Edward Avenue and through an area not considered as a heritage district. This route also lies within the expropriation area of the University of Ottawa.

Billings Estate

Alister M. Ross Associates have been chosen as Architectural Consultants for the restoration of the Billings Estate. At an earlier meeting, the committee recommended asking the city to isolate and protect from vandalism all buildings and effects on the site. It was proposed to send a flyer to all neighbouring homes explaining the value of the Estate and requesting assistance in keeping it from damage.

Heritage Designations

The following properties were recommended for designation as heritage buildings under the provisions of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1974. Valade House at 142 St. Patrick Street; Donnelly House at 365 Sussex Drive; Collège de Bytown (Académie de la Salle) at 373 Sussex Drive; 174-175 King Edward Avenue; and, 193-195 Cumberland Street.

CKOY Building

Application has been made for demolition of the old house from which CKOY operates. Investigation into the feasibility of saving the house has commenced. It was decided that future applications for demolition of designated buildings will come to LACAC for review.

Jennifer Roddick

BOOK REVIEWS

Shirley Leishman Books, 88 Metcalfe Street, very kindly lent the following books to Heritage Ottawa for review purposes. Members wishing to purchase these books may do so either at Shirley Leishman Books, or at Books Canada in Confederation Square.

Lucien Brault and John Leaning.
La Salle Academy: New Life for a Heritage Building. Ottawa: Information Canada, 1976, \$5.95. (paper)

Walter P. Stewart. A Photo-journalist looks at the Village of Rockcliffe Park. Ottawa: Walter P. Stewart Consultant Limited, 1976. 62 pp., many illus., \$12.50.

La Salle Academy: New Life for a Heritage Building contains two informative and well illustrated articles which deal with the history of the Academy. The first article, by Lucien Brault, reconstructs the environment in which the Academy existed from its conception in 1844 to the closing of its doors in 1973. Brault's reconstruction contains delightful accounts of daily life on Sussex Drive compiled from mid-19th-century newspapers. The second article, by John Leaning, describes the history of the Academy from the building of a hoarding around it in 1973 to its conversion into a modern office complex in 1975. Leaning's admirable account contains one questionable comment. He evaluates the alterations of the Academy, dating to the 1890s and the late 19th century architecture in general, as mediocre. This comment is not supported by any examples apart from his reference to the alterations of the Academy.

Halina Jeletzky

"While it is true that there is an exclusivity about the Village of Rockcliffe Park, and that it is supported by wealth as a whole, it would be improper to interpret this as materialism. The residents are, in the main, beyond that. ... They have arrived." So concludes author-photographer-publisher Stewart in this platitudinous hardbound tribute to Ottawa's finest residential suburb, issued on the fiftieth anniversary of its incorporation. He offers a summary history of Ottawa and of Rockcliffe Park, beginning with its origin as the domain of Duncan MacNab's Rockcliff Manor House. He introduces its institutions and some illustrious past residents, but satisfies our interest in few. Numerous houses are recorded in insipidly grey and ill-composed photographs, only some of which are identified by address. Stewart's admiration for the attractive village is evident, but his book has been produced with insufficient care to be worthy of its subject.

Harold Kalman

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

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Payment of joint membership fees to your LOCAL organization please HERITAGE OTTAWA, P.O. Box 510, Station B, Ottawa, Ontario.



HERITAGE OTTAWA is a voluntary community organisation actively working to preserve the visual heritage of the National Capital Region.

Our aim is to save those historic properties, early settlement areas, representative streetscapes, and domestic and industrial artifacts which contribute so much in enhancing the quality and unique character of the community.

Your support is needed urgently to prevent further destruction of the reminders of our past.

YOUR membership means that YOU will demonstrate your concern and have a voice in helping to preserve heritage values in the National Capital Region.

HERITAGE OTTAWA est une organisation communautaire bénévole qui s'occupe activement de la préservation du patrimoine visuel de la région de la capitale nationale.

HERITAGE OTTAWA vise à sauvegarder les biens et les bâtiments qui ont une valeur historique, les régions de première colonisation, les avenues offrant une perspective particulière ainsi que les objets d'intérêt domestique et artisanal qui contribuent tellement à rehausser la qualité et le caractère exclusif de la collectivité.

Nous avons grandement besoin de votre appui afin de prévenir toute autre destruction des témoins physiques du passé.

Votre affiliation traduira l'intérêt que vous portez à notre patrimoine national. Vous aurez votre mot à dire dans la préservation des valeurs patrimoniales de la région de la capitale nationale.

DEMANDE D'ADHESION

HERITAGE OTTAWA

B.P. 510, Succursale B, Ottawa, Ontario

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S.V.P. Faites parvenir le montant de votre inscription combinée à votre organisation LOCALE, HERITAGE OTTAWA, B.P. 510, Succursale B, Ottawa, Ontario.

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