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What Happened?

In the following letter to Ottawa's Mayor and Council from President David Flemming, Heritage Ottawa seeks answers to questions on the recent voting procedure for 204-212 Springfield Road which will result in the demolition of two historic houses to make way for a new student residence at Ashbury College.

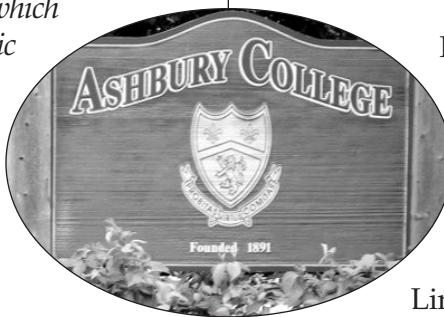
On July 9th, you will be considering an application for new construction on the Ashbury College campus. Heritage Ottawa supports the LACAC recommendation but we are concerned about the failure of the process in dealing with the original Ashbury application, especially their request to demolish the two existing houses at 204 & 212 Springfield Road which was considered by City Council on February 27th. These two buildings along with 224 Springfield Road comprise a unique heritage cluster of three of the oldest buildings in the Rockcliffe Park Heritage Conservation District.

I have delayed raising this matter so as not to jeopardize the negotiations between Ashbury and the community associations concerning the orientation of the new boys' residence but since this matter seems to have been

resolved, it is now important that the public be made aware of the circumstances surrounding Council's initial consideration of the matter.

On February 12th, after some debate, Planning and Environment

Committee (PEC) recommended that Ashbury not demolish 204 Springfield Road and that they meet with representatives of the Rockcliffe Park Residents Association (RPRA) and the Lindenlea Community Association (LCA) to discuss a different orientation of the proposed boys' residence. This decision was reached after a two-week delay requested by Ashbury at the January 22nd PEC meeting, ostensibly to submit a revised proposal. No revised proposal



Two of the oldest houses in the former Village of Rockcliffe Park, now slated for demolition.

Springfield homes demolition...

was forthcoming and PEC voted on the same proposal that had been on the agenda for the January 22nd meeting.

At the February 27th Council meeting, Councillor Legendre presented a motion opposing the application to demolish both 204 & 212 Springfield Road, the motion was lost on a 10-10 tie. Council then considered a motion to reconsider the matter at the next Council meeting scheduled for March 26th but were advised by the City's Senior Legal Counsel, Mr. Marc, against such action since the 90-day period for a response to Ashbury's request under the Ontario Heritage Act was to expire at midnight on February 27th. He explained that if Council were to move reconsideration of the matter until the March 26th meeting any decision made at that meeting would have no legal standing and the applicant would be free to proceed per their original request to demolish the buildings. Council then voted to support the PEC recommendation ordering Ashbury to retain 204 Springfield Road.

When Council reconvened after lunch, the Mayor, for some unknown reason, raised the matter of reconsideration again and after some discussion Council voted to reconsider the matter at its March 26th meeting. Those of us who attended the Council meeting in the morning were puzzled by the Mayor's suggestion and Council's subsequent vote in the afternoon, especially in light of the legal advice offered earlier by Mr. Marc.

On March 24th, the Mayor called a meeting in his office with representatives of Ashbury College, the RPRA and the LCA. Again, Mr. Marc noted that since the 90-day time period for a Council decision on this matter had expired at midnight on February 27th and since Ashbury had not agreed to a further extension, any consideration of this matter at the March 26th Council meeting would have no legal standing. The Mayor then urged all parties in attendance to meet in an effort to reach a compromise solution regarding the disposition of the two Springfield Road buildings which Ashbury had applied to demolish. After many hours of deliberation, no satisfactory solution was reached.

The RPRA, LCA and Heritage Ottawa were then under the impression that the Council motion to save 204 Springfield Road which had been passed on the morning of February 27th would be Council's "official" position on the matter. It wasn't until Council reconsidered the matter on March 27th that we learned that the City had failed to inform Ashbury in writing of the Council decision on 204 Springfield and that, in effect, Council, had failed to render a legally binding decision on this matter. We were later informed that Ashbury was thereby free to demolish both buildings.

As you know the two community associations expended much effort in an attempt to save the Springfield Road houses and on the morning of February 27th had come within one vote of saving both. To have lost this battle because the Mayor and Council approved a motion to reconsider which they knew would permit the applicant to "win by default" is especially galling. It also raises questions of why such an action was taken.

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What happened over the Council lunch break on February 27th which resulted in a change of heart by the Mayor and Council and the subsequent afternoon vote for reconsideration?

Was Ashbury asked to agree to an extension of the 90-day response time prior to Council's vote to reconsider? If not, why not?

Was the Mayor or any of his staff in contact with representatives of Ashbury College between the morning and afternoon sessions of the February 27th Council meeting? If so, what was the nature of these discussions?

Why did Council vote to reconsider this matter when the City's Senior Legal Counsel strongly advised against this course of action?

Heritage Ottawa feels that it is important that Council provide answers to these questions and that the answers should be made public. It is challenging enough to save the built heritage character of our City in light of recent Council decisions on intensification but to have lost two of the five oldest buildings in the Rockcliffe Park Heritage Conservation District by what appears to have been a procedural error is a serious matter deserving of some formal explanation.

I look forward to this matter being raised at the Council meeting on July 9th when you consider the June 24th recommendation from Planning and Environment Committee. ♦

Lowertown Is Only a Click Away

By Serge Barbe

Many people interested in the built environment of our city come to the City of Ottawa Archives in search of primary and secondary sources. In my 25 years there on staff I have assisted a great number of users in the reading room to trace the history of buildings or neighbourhoods and at the same time have added considerably to my own knowledge.

Last winter I decided to take my professional studies a step further and enrolled in a course at the University of Ottawa called *Studies in Public History*. Professor Peter Rider asked students to develop a heritage product designed for a potential client. He provided a selection of product types with certain parameters to guide the product's development.

As the assignment was a group project, I joined three classmates and together we selected the production of a virtual walking tour of Ottawa's Lowertown. We felt that the tour would benefit clients such as the Ottawa Tourism Authority or the National Capital Commission and possibly other groups. Neither I nor my fellow students, Marc Frappier, Alison Lever and Rob McDonald, had much experience in the production of web sites. Fortunately, Marc had access to a web platform



Early days in the By Ward Market.

Photo: City of Ottawa Archives

through his extra-curricular activities with the local band, *A New Renaissance*; he is the drummer.

Alison, Rob and I began developing the web content while Marc contributed his technical skills and also the space on his band's web page. For reasons of achievability and practicality we decided to limit the number of sites to about 25 to 30. We had just a little over two months to agree on the product concept, develop the project outline and present it in class. This entailed research, securing photographs, both current and archival, developing



County of Carleton Protestant General Hospital which was later renovated to become Wallis House, 589 Rideau Street

the web interface, assembling the data and images, formatting the electronic files so they all conformed to the selected standard, and then loading them up, linking them up, going online, and making a final presentation to the class with the finished product online. It seemed daunting.

We used digital cameras and camera cellphones to produce multiple current images of the buildings and sites at little or no cost. There were some drawbacks – notably winter's snow cover that masked part of the landscape and some of the buildings' architectural details. As the sun was low in the sky, it was also difficult to photograph the front of north-facing buildings. And of course, image gathering outdoors in January and February was a chilly exercise.

On the plus side, our team had access to an impressive number of primary and secondary

sources from which to extract historical information about the selected locations. We managed to find historical photographs for many of the selected buildings and sites. Much of the research was done in walking tour books but we also made use of sources such as the heritage designation By-laws that often provided key factual information. As an add-on, I incorporated some notes on the origins of Lowertown street names, a topic on which I had already done some preliminary research.

Marc used a map borrowed from Google Earth and inserted links for the buildings and sites submitted by Alison, Rob and me. He incorporated links to site and building names and also to their civic addresses. He also inserted links to two of By Ward Market's businesses as an example of potential sponsorships.

The final result is a functional web product that anyone can visit from the comfort of their home or on the electronic device of their choice while virtually strolling from one site or building to the next. Why not check it out yourself at the following address: <http://www.anewrenaissance.com/lowertown/map.html>

Alison, Marc, Rob and I hope you will enjoy discovering Lowertown through this web page. We certainly enjoyed putting it together. ♦

Serge Barbe is the Archivist responsible for community archives acquisitions at the City of Ottawa Archives.

TOUR COORDINATORS WANTED

Heritage Ottawa needs coordinators for its August, September and October walking tours. We require two coordinators per tour to set-up the sign at the departure point, sell tickets, introduce and thank the tour guide, provide crowd control and submit a tour report to the Walking Tour Manager.

In exchange for their help, coordinators tour for free!

To "sign-up" and for further information, leave a message for the Walking Tour Manager at 613-230-8841.

For your calendar

Don't forget – the popular Heritage Ottawa lecture series starts once again in the fall

Eight free lectures offered between September and May

Local, national and international experts in heritage conservation featured

Check our website for titles and dates

From the President....



*Report of David B. Flemming,
president of Heritage Ottawa,
to the Annual General meeting
held at the Army Officers'
Mess, 149 Somerset Street West
on Wednesday, May 21, 2008*

This marks my sixth and final president's report to a Heritage Ottawa annual general meeting. It has been an honour to serve for a sixth year as your president. Before reporting on the past year I would like to ask our current Board members and active volunteers to stand and for you to join me in thanking them for their hard work over the past year.

I would like to give a special thanks to David Jeanes, our vice-president, who continues to be an articulate, eloquent and enthusiastic advocate for our built heritage, to our Treasurer, David Ivison for his effective management of our finances and to Helga Jeanes for her diligent office and administrative work.

Our membership has increased by nearly 13% over the past year thanks to the recruitment efforts undertaken during our walking tours and lectures and to the hard work of membership secretary Jane Reid.

In 2007-2008, we produced three editions of the *Heritage Ottawa Newsletter* under the direction of our able editor, Veronica Vaillancourt. The newsletter provides the membership with important information on our activities and on our built heritage.

Our webmaster, Peter O'Malley, reports that our website continues to attract nearly 1000 visitors per month. I have received numerous compliments about our website over the years, especially for our archive of past issues of our *Newsletter*. Over the past year, Peter has managed the redevelopment of the "back-end" of our website to enable us to post important information in an easier and timely manner. Peter is stepping down as our webmaster this year and I want to thank him for his efforts over the past six years.

Heritage Ottawa continues to provide education and outreach programs in support of our built heritage. Last year's 12 walking tours attracted

543 participants and generated over \$4100 in revenue. I would like to thank David Jeanes and Rick Belliveau for their assistance in planning and managing the tours and the guides, many of whom volunteer every year to participate in this important fundraising and educational activity. Last year's tour guides were Katharine Fletcher, David Jeanes, Hagit Hadaya, Judy Deegan, Michel Prévost, Linda Hoad, Paulette Dozois, Fern Mackenzie, Martha Edmond, Glenn Lockwood, Ken Elder and Leo Doyle. Thanks also to those members who helped co-ordinate these tours and to our sponsors, Sussex Capital Inc., for their ninth year of sponsorship, and to Royal LePage Performance Realty's Jeff Rosebrugh and Janny Mills.

Both sponsors are onside again this year as we offer another series of 12 tours. The schedule was posted on our website and copies of the brochure



Photo: Peter O'Malley

President David Flemming delivering his Annual Report to the 2008 Annual General Meeting.

mailed to members in early May. This year's program began on June 15th with Julie Harris' tour of the Central Experimental Farm.

Our seven free public lectures held between April 1st, 2007 and March 31st, 2008 drew 441 participants. Our program committee has already started planning the 2008-2009 lecture series which will begin in September. Thanks to

Andrex Holdings and President Sandy Smallwood for continued sponsorship of our lecture series, enabling us to produce a colour promotional brochure for the event.

Besides these two major outreach and educational programs, Heritage Ottawa also participated in local events and festivals including Heritage Day and Col. By Day and was a major sponsor of this year's popular Jane's Walks involving four of our regular tour guides.

Heritage Ottawa continues to play a lead role in Doors Open Ottawa. In 2007-2008, we completed the collaborative grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation grant awarded in 2004 and our members continue to serve on Doors Open Ottawa's Advisory Council and Buildings Committee. Last year we again "adopted" the former Ottawa Registry Office on Nicholas Street during Doors Open. Heritage Ottawa volunteers greeted over 500 visitors during the two-day event. Unfortunately, Viking-Rideau,

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the building's owner, has informed us that the Registry Office is not available for Doors Open Ottawa 2008.

We again received an operating grant of \$11,670 from the City of Ottawa for 2007-2008 and a \$1,100 grant from the Ontario Ministry of Culture for 2008. We acknowledge with thanks both levels of government for their ongoing support for our



Member attendance at the AGM was high.

activities on behalf of the people of Ottawa. In January we signed a three-year Service Agreement with the City of Ottawa which included our financial requirements for 2008 through 2010.

The past year has seen much activity in our role as an advocate for our built heritage. The emphasis on intensification of development in older sections of Ottawa, especially in heritage conservation districts has proved a special challenge. Our *Heritage Ottawa Newsletter* has kept members up-to-date on the growing number of interventions over the past year to prevent demolitions and unsuitable development in heritage conservation districts.

Although we were finally, after a year-long struggle and a bitter and at times acrimonious debate at LACAC and Planning Committee, able to save 456 Lansdowne Road North with a new addition, we were not so successful in the application by Ashbury College to demolish two of the oldest buildings in Rockcliffe Park (204 & 212 Springfield Road) in order to make room for a new students' residence. Despite strong advocacy by the ward Councillor, two community associations and Heritage Ottawa and after coming within one vote on Council of saving both buildings, we were let down by the Mayor and Council who voted to reconsider the matter despite advice to the contrary from the City's Legal Counsel. This delay allowed

the 90-day limit for a decision under the *Ontario Heritage Act* to expire which left Ashbury free to demolish the buildings at will.

These cases and others at 330 Gilmour Street and 132 Stanley Avenue demonstrate the weakness of the heritage overlay in heritage conservation district and how City staff and Council treat demolition applications and applications for new development in these areas no differently than similar applications in non-designated districts. Heritage Ottawa is working closely with community representatives, LACAC and selected Councillors in trying to reform how such applications are handled by the City.

The matter of protection of buildings in heritage conservation districts from "demolition by neglect" and by unsuitable renovations has also been of great concern over the past year. In December, I wrote to the Mayor and Council urging that they adopt an emergency protocol to enable the City to intervene when buildings are at risk owing to neglect or other questionable actions by the owner as appears to be the case with 352 Somerset Street West (Somerset House). I am pleased to report that yesterday I had an initial meeting with Councillor Bédard and the Chief Building Official, Arlene Grégoire, to discuss this matter. Both have agreed to work on a report to LACAC based on the integrated approach outlined in my December proposal to Council.

Heritage Ottawa is also participating in partnership with the Architectural Conservancy of Ontario and the University of Waterloo's Heritage Resources Centre in a Province-wide study of the effectiveness of heritage conservation districts throughout Ontario. Again, we are part of a collaboration which has received an Ontario Trillium Foundation grant to undertake this work.

Over the past year I have represented Heritage Ottawa at a number of meetings with representatives of the National Capital Commission (NCC). The NCC under its new leadership has adopted a more transparent and collaborative approach to planning and development and it is incumbent on organizations such as Heritage Ottawa to take advantage of these consultative opportunities. Earlier this year, I also had an opportunity to present our views on the 2008 Ontario Budget to the Minister of Finance.

On another positive note, some of the projects which received 2008 Heritage Conservation Awards demonstrate that it is possible to undertake good restoration and infill development. The City, through its Heritage Designation Program, continues to designate new buildings although not at the rate we would like to see. We support the hard work of the grossly under-funded and under-staffed Heritage Planning Section of the Department of Planning, Transit and the Environment and continue to advocate for more funding for heritage at each year's City budget consultations.

Heritage Ottawa's main goal for 2008-2009 must be to depend less on municipal support and become more self-sufficient. Our activities require that we hire a paid staff person and we cannot afford to do this given our current level of government support and other revenue generation. I hope that the new Board of Directors will make this a priority in the coming year. I urge those of you who have not been active in Heritage Ottawa's activities to consider doing so today. I fear that our failure to regenerate leadership will result in the loss of much of what we have gained over the past few years. The demands of preserving our built heritage are great and we must meet the challenge in a more effective manner. ♦

Thank for your attention



Members enjoy cheese, crackers and cake after the meeting.

NCC Gets a New Look

Marie Lemay, newly appointed Chief Executive Officer (CEO) at the National Capital Commission (NCC) spoke at Ottawa's annual general meeting, May 21, on the changes to the organization's mandate. Principally, the offices of Chairman of the Board and the CEO have been split. Since Russell Mills took over as Chair, board meetings are now public. The NCC will also meet once a year with special interest groups and hold Open Houses on important issues.

To members of Heritage Ottawa this news was like a breath of fresh air given the secrecy of former decision making at the NCC. Mme. Lemay said that the capital belongs to the people and that the NCC is reaching out to connect with them, particularly those living in the region.

The NCC manages many designated buildings such as Rideau Hall and the six official residences, as well as others that have local significance.

Mme. Lemay would like to institute a program of preservation rather than continue with the former ad hoc approach. Buildings identified as being of national interest will not be sold while others could be sold or transferred to other levels of government.

The NCC plans to form partnerships with other levels of government where it is deemed of mutual interest. One proposal from the community, for example, is a footbridge over the canal linking



Photo: Peter O'Malley

President of Heritage Ottawa, and Marie Lemay, Chief Executive Officer of the National Capital Commission.

Ottawa South with the Glebe at the level of Fifth Avenue. The NCC, Mme. Lemay said, would have to consult with the city at an early stage of development, if the project goes ahead.

Mme. Lemay emphasized that the NCC has an impact on local aspirations and wants to reinforce its link with the community. Members of Heritage Ottawa welcomed the change from an adversative to a cooperative relationship and look forward to increased collaboration with the NCC.

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456 Lansdowne Saved!

By David Flemming

In light of City Council's decision not to permit the demolition of this 1905 home, the first permanent house built on McKay Lake, the owner recently submitted a revised plan which incorporates the original building in an expanded, newly-designed home.



456 Lansdowne Road.



The long battle to save the building (see *Heritage Ottawa Newsletter*: Fall 2007, pp.4-5, Winter 2008, p.6 & 8) began last year and involved many community groups and individuals, including Heritage Ottawa. If the owner had submitted this proposal to LACAC last July, it is likely that

it would have met with the approval of those who fought to prevent its demolition.

We must now be vigilant to assure that adequate care is taken in the new construction to avoid damage to the existing structure.



This proposal, with slight modifications, was approved by City Council on May 28th.

Lecture Series Opens at Arts Court

Heritage Ottawa 2008-2009 Lecture Series kicks off on Monday, September 15 at 7pm in the Arts Court Theatre.

Heritage Ottawa is participating in the 20th anniversary celebration of Arts Court as the centre of the Ottawa arts community with the season opener of the lecture series. Arts Court is a dynamic facility, the hub of the city's performing, visual, literary and media arts community. Moreover since 1990, it has been the home of Heritage Ottawa.

The evening is jointly sponsored by the Ottawa Arts Court Foundation and will feature presentations by Susan Annis, Vice-Chair, Ottawa Arts Court Foundation, Peter Honeywell, Executive Director, Council for the Arts in Ottawa, and Linda Balduzzi, (Executive Director of Arts Court Foundation) on the adaptation of the Ottawa Court House for use by the arts community, the role the building plays today supporting art and culture, and the vision for the future. A tour of the building and reception will follow.

Please plan to join us for this unique event.

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Big Turn Out at Doors Open 2008

By Emma Jackson

Doors Open Ottawa had a massive impact on the city and its residents again this year.

112 buildings opened their doors June 7 and 8, giving Ottawa residents the opportunity to discover some of the city's best-kept secrets. Nearly 40,000 visitors got a sneak peek inside Ottawa buildings with architectural, historical and functional significance, from Carp to Cumberland.

Kids especially had a good time as they scoured the city for answers to their interactive kids' guide. Scavenger hunts and word searches kept kids busy, despite the heat. The guide book helped the younger generation learn about our city's history, enjoy an introduction to architecture, and explore ways to build 'green' in the city.

This year's new 'green' theme highlighted measures of conservation, and offered examples of different ways to be sustainable. Twelve sustainable buildings showcased Ottawa's commitment to decreasing our city's environmental impact. Buildings like the SunTech Greenhouses in



Number 7 Rideau Gate houses guests of the Prime Minister.

Photos: Emma Jackson

Manotick, the NRC Centre for Housing Technology on Montreal Rd, and Ottawa Paramedic Service Headquarters on Don Reid Dr. are just a sample of the buildings across Ottawa that have made a conscious effort to be green.

A photo contest prior to Doors Open Ottawa allowed residents to capture the beauty and innovation of their favourite architecture in the city. For the first time, the City of Ottawa collaborated with photo sharing website Flickr to showcase the contest's entries. The winning photo, on display at ottawa.ca/doorsopen, highlighted the modernity of the University of Ottawa's Science, Information Technology and Engineering building. Frames by Rockwell awarded contest winner Dave Elden a custom frame for his photograph.

Overall, feedback was positive across the region, and Doors Open Ottawa 2009 is sure to be an even bigger success. ♦



The French Embassy with its rich Art Deco décor is a perennial favorite with visitors.

Emma Jackson, a fourth year journalism student at Carleton University, is working as a communications and marketing assistant at the City of Ottawa this summer.

Tributes to David Flemming, Outgoing President of Heritage Ottawa

From Gordon Cullingham, one of the longest serving members on the board of directors of Heritage Ottawa

Six years is too short a term when your president is David Flemming. He does so much good in such a short time, that it is painful to let him go. But he seems to be determined, and so we have to respect that decision, no matter how unfortunate.



It was a tumultuous six years for him, taking a healthy and active organization, and finding a still higher gear to switch it into. And that is what happened. David Flemming was

everywhere – in the newspapers, on radio and television, in the chambers and meeting rooms of City Hall, barging through the grudgingly opening doors of the National Capital Commission.

Heritage was Flemming. He was a force that made the movers move, and the shakers shake. Those who heard him could not forget the electrifying speech he gave in the Tom Brown Arena during the fight over the role of heritage in the City's new structure in 2004, or the eloquent scolding of the City Fathers and one wincing City Mother that marked his opening remarks at Heritage Day in City Hall in that same year.

Well, I want to live in David Flemming's Ottawa – so let's make him mayor.

David being interviewed by CTV, talking about the "new NCC" and other heritage issues.

We wish you well. From Carolyn Quinn, Past-president of Heritage Ottawa

David Flemming has given six years of dedication and unwavering commitment to Heritage Ottawa and the cause of heritage conservation in Ottawa.

He has brought a professional, reasoned tone to his responsibilities as president and a work ethic that is difficult to match. After more than six solid years of moving this organization forward, David would like to step down from the helm. We can't blame him of course – we know he deserves a break – but our selfish motives can't help make us wish that he would stay. And he is staying, on the board of directors at least. So you'll still be able to find him.



Photo: Peter O'Malley



Many of you will remember the speech that David gave on Heritage Day four years ago. He brought the house down and sent the mayor running!

But more importantly, he galvanized us all to do more to ensure the protection of heritage planning and programs in that year's budget.

To you, David, a big thank you!

David accepts an Ontario Museum Association Award of Merit on behalf of the Ottawa Strong Voice for Heritage Coalition at the OMA's Annual General Meeting held at Peterborough in October 2004.

David providing colour commentary with Linda Kelly for CBC Television's Tall Ships coverage in Halifax, August 2, 2004.

Photo: Brian Dubreuil

Heritage Ottawa 2008 Walking Tours

Join us for an hour-and-a-half walk highlighting some of Ottawa's finest architecture!

All Tours begin at 2:00 PM unless otherwise indicated.

Tour Prices:

Heritage Ottawa members: \$5.00

Non-members: \$10.00

The dozen 2008 tours and tour dates are listed below.

Central Experimental Farm	June 15
Village of Hintonburg	June 22
Village of Britannia	July 13
Lowertown West	Aug 3
Cathedral Hill to Nanny Goat Hill	Aug 10
Beaux Arts Ottawa	Aug 17
University of Ottawa Campus	Aug 24
Parliament Hill	Sept 14
The Glebe	Sept 21
Village of Rockcliffe Park	Sept 28
Old Ottawa South	Oct 5
The Buildings of Foreign Affairs	Oct 19

For full descriptions of the tours, please consult www.heritageottawa.org



Tabaret Hall of the University of Ottawa, celebrated its centennial in 2005.



The old village charm of Rockcliffe Park, 111 Manor St.



Sunnyside Community centre, formerly the #10 Graham Fire Station, is an historic gem in Old Ottawa South.

Photo: University of Ottawa archives

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