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HERITAGE CANADA AWARDS -

LOU and PAM COLLINS and
ELIZABETH PACEY win Awards -

For Heritage Trust members, one of the highlights of the Heritage Canada Convention in October was the recognition paid to Dr. and Mrs. Lou Collins and to Elizabeth Pacey.

Lou and Pam Collins have both been long-time, dedicated workers in the Trust, and have made a tremendous contribution to the success of our work. Pam's expert photography has backed up Lou's research into the history of our Province and its capital City, Halifax, of which Lou is Official Historian. We congratulate them for the well-earned honour paid them when they were presented with Heritage Canada's LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR'S MEDAL.

Betty Pacey's work in defence of our Citadel did not end with the publication of her book The Battle of Citadel Hill. She has not tired in fighting her ten year's rear-guard action against those seeking to ring the Citadel with overtowering concrete walls and block off even the narrow slits which yet give us a peek at the Harbour. So we were all delighted when Heritage Canada honoured Betty with its COMMUNICATION AWARD.

Well done, Betty; Well done, Lou and Pam, you have given us much inspiration and pleasure with your work and your programs, and now you have brought national recognition to the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia.



PROGRAMME NOTICE -

Thursday, 21 January 1982 -
Scott Robson and Sheila Stevenson of the Nova Scotia Museum staff will give a presentation in slides - "In Retrospect: Looking Back at Craft in Nova Scotia".

This presentation will be available in early 1982 as a tape/slide set to be borrowed from the school loans department of the Museum. It covers craft-produced articles from 1750 to 1950.

Note - There will not be a meeting in December 1981.

TRUST TOURS - 1981 -

We had three successful tours this year, with good weather for each one - at least for most of the time.

Tour One was in the Windsor-Wolfville area; we reached MacDonald House in time for lunch but as the rain was at that time still blowing around, the group split up, some staying on the bus and the rest of us relaxing in the house - except of course for John Lazier, who played around in the mud outside planting trees which had been donated by members.

I have a collage impression of that day, of brilliant japonica outside Miss Elderkin's drawing room window; beautiful flower arrangements in MacDonald House, Miss Elderkin's house, and Mrs. Schaffner's house; exotic colour in Mrs. Joyce's needlework and the masks in Mrs. Garbary's workshop.

The highlight of the afternoon for many members was being served tea on their patio by Lieut. Governor and Mrs. Schaffner, and strolling through their delightful home. The evening was so balmy that all the windows were open at the Nova Scotia Youth Orchestra concert at Acadia University. Although we sat inside to hear their excellent concert, many stretched out on the lawns to enjoy it.

Tour Two was a joy for me because Jean Petley-Jones had done all the organising. At times I felt we were on a car rally because we were racing in front of or behind the other bus along the country roads, with Evan Petley-Jones 'in charge' of it with members' cars fore and aft.

The day was very warm so the rhubarb sparkle made and served at the James House in Bridgetown was greatly appreciated, as was the cool dark interior of the octagonal barn further down the Valley

As on the Wolfville tour flowers were very evident, there were brilliant formal flower beds at the Sands-Young house and St. Mary's Church across the road, and big beautiful hollyhocks at the Petley-Jones house, Parker Farm, as well as pear and apple trees laden with enormous fruit. There were heavy-scented phlox at the Runciman House and hundreds of roses at the Historic Gardens in Annapolis Royal.

Our entrance fee covered a whole year of visits. We are encouraged to go back to enjoy the seasonal changes and to watch the Gardens develop.

In Richard Petley-Jones' home, the old Chesley House, there were huge bowls of roses surrounded by Inuit carvings of all sizes and designs. If you are interested in seeing hundreds of pairs of shoes in a charming old-world atmosphere, Bruce Shoe Store in Bridgetown is a must. As well as a painted wall to look at in the Sands-Young house there were about 20 quilts of various designs made by Mrs. Young and friends.

At 5.30 pm. we met up again with the Mayor of Bridgetown and the home owners who had entertained us through the day, in the gardens of the O'Dell Museum in Annapolis Royal.

Our Fall Tour started off in the rain and mist, which soon cleared away to reveal blue skies and exquisite fall colours on the trees.

The smell of the wood was a delight in the Dominion Chair Company's factory at Bass River. At Parrsboro's Museum we were each given a gift of a local stone in either a necklace or a key chain. In Ottawa House where we had lunch, there was a large fire burning and Sir Charles Tupper to greet us! It was here that Mrs. Goodday and our bus driver sat and played the organ. Listening to the organ in Mt. Allison's Chapel I was reminded of Coventry Cathedral, it was a beautiful experience. There was a strong smell of apples in the charming little church, St. Anne's at

Westcock, which was decorated for its Harvest Sunday Service.

At Fort Beausejour it was as I predicted - cold and windy - but it was sunny. The storerooms in the casemates were realistically portrayed and the history of the Fort convincingly related by the friendly guides. While we were being swept about above the Acadian dyke, our bus driver watched the hot soup beside a roaring fire in the Pavilion.

Our turkey dinner at Rocklyn, the Confederation home of Sylvia and Mark Yeoman, was elegance itself. After Ian, our president, had thanked Sylvia we heard from Mrs. Goodday. She had been a guest in the house sixty-one years before, when a ball was held in her honour, and she was thrilled to see it again.

I could have mentioned much, much more, but space won't allow it. On all tours we saw excellent examples of our province's architectural heritage in homes and museums - all cared for by people proud of their past and concerned with preservation.

My sincere thanks to all homeowners, barn-owners, museum staff, Women's Institute members, church group members and the bus drivers, who made the tours so enjoyable; also to our members who "came along for the ride".

Our first tour in 1982 should be in the Shelburne-Liverpool area.
Hilary Grant.



ANNUAL DINNER -

I hope many members were able to get out to our Annual Dinner on December 5, with speaker Vivien Frow who spoke on "Christmas Past", and to the December 5 art exhibition in Keith Hall of Jean Edmonds Hancock's illustrations for "Hot Tongue, Cold Shoulder" (reviewed in this issue of Griffin)

BOOK REVIEW

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HOT TONGUE, COLD SHOULDER:

A Diary - by Heather Davidson,
illustrated by Jean Hancock.

published by Nova Scarcity Enterprises, Wolfville,

This is a short novel in the form of a diary kept by Peter Thallman, from 1759-1768. It records his decision to move with his wife Catherine, and their children, from Connecticut to the Gaspereau Valley. Good farming land was now sufficiently scarce in Massachusetts that the young people of the families needs must go to the 'towns' to earn a living, and there be exposed to horrid temptations. The families left in 1760, by ox-cart, travelled through Massachusetts and "51 days past Stoughton (Mass.);" they arrived in Horton Township, N.S.

It is written succinctly, as befits the writing of a diary, but despite the brevity, conveys a surprisingly clear picture of the incidents, and the personalities of the persons involved. The incident which most interested me was the petition of the farmers of the area to the Governor in Halifax to free some of the French prisoners in order that they might teach the newcomers how to repair the dykes, since many had settled on dykeland. The result of their efforts was a surprise to me.

The book is attractively illustrated by Jean Hancock in a style deliberately reminiscent of woodcuts and drawings of the period. The cover design and the calligraphy of the title page and "Family Record" are done by Deborah Young. The text is printed in the handwriting of Mary Hamilton. The entire presentation is extremely attractive.

A rebuttal in the form of a diary by Catherine Thallman, Peter's wife, entitled "The Cow's Tail" is promised for December, 1981.

PUBLICATIONS -

Future Publication -

The next publication of Heritage Trust's Publications Committee will be a resource book to aid researchers who want to ascertain the history and age of a house. The book will discuss such sources as probate records, deeds, maps, directories, photographs, newspapers, municipal records, house styles and case histories. The various sections are being written by members of the Publications Committee and other individuals who have expertise in certain topics being discussed. The Committee is hoping to assemble the various sections early in 1982 with publication to follow later in the year.

Philip L. Hartling.



New Ship Index from Y.C.H.S. -

The Yarmouth County Historical Society has published an Index/List to Yarmouth Vessels, 1761-1902, mentioned in J. Murray Lawson's three books; Record of the Shipping of Yarmouth; Appendix to Yarmouth Shipping; Yarmouth Reminiscences (Past and Present).

The index lists alphabetically some 2,550 Yarmouth vessels and the page numbers of references in the Lawson volumes. This index will be invaluable for historical research into marine and family history, and much else beside.

To buy a copy send a money order for \$5.95 to the Bookshop of the Yarmouth Museum, 22 Collins Street, Yarmouth, N.S., B5A 3C8 (Price includes cost of mailing)

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A WALK THROUGH OLD LUNENBURG -

An attractive and interesting little book brought to our attention recently is "A Walk Through Old Lunenburg" published by the Lunenburg Heritage Society. It is copiously illustrated with photographs of Lunenburg buildings, and well arranged to guide the visitor to outstanding examples of Lunenburg's characteristic architecture. We should like to quote from some of the fascinating tales about personalities connected with the histories of the buildings, and shall probably do so from time-to-time.

FUNDS NEEDED!

HELP RESTORE ST. MARY'S, AUBURN -

Built in 1790, St. Mary's Anglican Church at Auburn is one of Nova Scotia's, and indeed Canada's, most beautiful and most historic churches. Its simplicity of style and classical details, particularly its magnificent spire, make St. Mary's a veritable work of art.

At 2 a.m. on September 20, 1981 St. Mary's beautiful steeple was struck by lightning. Four volunteer fire departments came to the rescue and saved the church from total destruction. However, the top of the steeple was damaged, Please help restore this Georgian steeple to its original beauty with your contribution. Special, old-fashioned wooden shingles which must be dipped in water and bent to fit the spire are needed. Naturally, it is difficult for a small congregation to bear the added expense of such shingles.

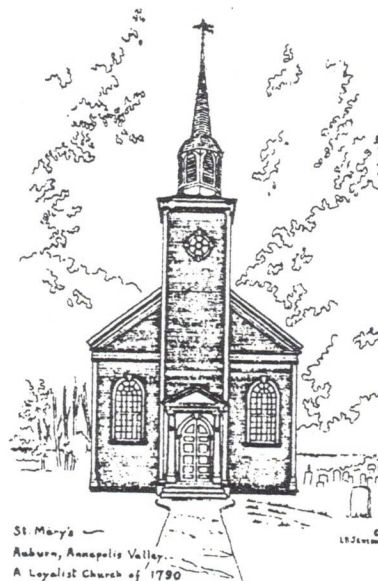
Make cheques payable to:

The Rector, Wardens & Vestry
of the Parish of St. Mary's

and mail contributions to:

P.O. Box 177
Berwick, N.S., BOP 1E0

Elizabeth Pacey



THE INCOME TAX ACT AND OUR
HERITAGE -

We have recently received from Pierre Berton, Chairman, Board of The Heritage Canada Foundation, a letter and pamphlet expressing concern about the effects of the Income Tax Act upon our heritage.

He says in part "Because of the act it is often cheaper to tear down a building and build a new one than to sell it and preserve it... the act unduly favours demolition of buildings but provides no incentive for renovation of heritage structures... with an energy shortage facing us we can't afford to tear down everything and rebuild it again..."

Berton asks us to express our opinion to the Government by writing to:

The Hon. Allan J. MacEachen
Deputy Prime Minister and
Minister of Finance
House of Commons
Room 209-S, Ottawa, Ont.,
K1A 0A7.

Ask him what he is doing about the March 1979 commitment of the Federal Government Cabinet;

Ask him when the terminal loss provision will be lost forever;

Ask him when there will be financial assistance for preservation work that was promised in 1979;

Ask him why the work on the Canadian Register of Heritage Property has not progressed.

ALSO write to your M.P. and ask him to speak on your behalf to Mr. MacEachen.

We are also asked by Mr. Berton to help the cause by making a donation; the cost incurred to pay qualified research staff, print pamphlets and lobby the government is quite heavy.

Any contribution would be greatly appreciated. Send to:

The Heritage Canada Foundation
P.O. Box 1358, Station B
Ottawa, Ont.,
K1P 5R4.



CITADEL APPEAL FUND -

The result of the Appeals with regard to the development proposed for Brunswick Street, by Canterbury Investments will be reported in an early issue of the Griffin.

Unless we keep the stream of the past with living significance for the present, we not only have no past but we have no present.

Tradition is not a barren pride in a dead glory, tradition is something that provides refreshment for the spirit.

It is something that gives us deep assurance and a sense of destiny and a determination to hold fast to the great things that have been done through valour and imagination by those who have gone before us.

Felix Frankfurter.

(quoted by Sigurd F. Olson
in Open Horizons, N.Y., Knopf,
1969, p.110.)

NEW MEMBERS IN HERITAGE TRUST,
1981 -

Ms. Sally Parsons	Windsor, N. S.	February 1981
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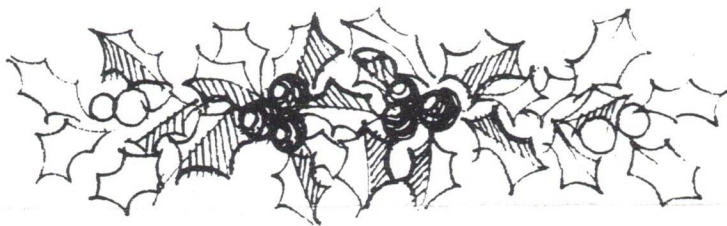
MACDONALD HOUSE LANDSCAPING -

Following are the names of those Trust members who donated shrubs for landscaping of the MacDonal House property and planted during a heavy rainstorm by a stoic and muddy-booted John Lazier while the 'support' members sheltered cosily in the house!

Mr. & Mrs. Blair
 Mr. Allan F. Duffus
 Mrs. Sarah Squires
 Mrs. Hilary Grant
 Ms. Barbara Watt
 Mrs. Ann Raymond

COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON !

from your Griffin Committee



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