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THIS ISSUE CONTAINS COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN'S REPORTS FOR 1986-1987.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY: JUNE 25, 1987: Please note that this has been deferred from June 18. The meeting will be at the usual time and place: 8PM in the N.S. Museum on Summer Street, Halifax. Election of Officers for 1987-1988 will be held.

SUMMER AND FALL TOURS. See pages 2 and 3



DEADLINE :
for SEPTEMBER issue:

AUGUST 1, 1987





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TOUR PROGRAM - SUMMER 1987

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Ι.	JULY 4/5,	1987 - Weekend tour of ANNAPOLIS ROYAL HISTORIC HOUSES, and Arts and Crafts of Bear River.
		A new selection of historic houses will be open to view, along with Historic Gardens and Craft Shops and Galleries. Bring your own picnic lunch. Overnight accommodation Mountain Gap Inn - visit to Flight of Fancy Crafts Co-operative and Ethno-Graphic Costume Museum in Bear River
		Bus will leave Lord Nelson Hotel at 8.00 a.m. and Dartmouth Shopping Plaza at 8.15 a.m. Return Halifax, Sunday July 5, 5 p.m.
		Registration Fee \$5.00 each Bus Fare \$22.00 " By car - no charge Historic House Tour \$12.00 "
		Total
		ollowing directly :- Mountain Gap Inn \$27.00 plus tax, per person, for double occupancy; Dinner, Bed/Breakfast
	**	Entrance Fee - Historic Gardens - \$2.00 each Entrance Fee Ethno-Graphic Costume Museum - \$2.00 each Bear River - Lunch Buffet - \$7.50 each.
		Make cheque payable to Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia and mail to 1579 Dresden Row, Halifax, N.S. B3J .2K4
	Deadline	- AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
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	Address:	
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Mountain Gap Inn Reservation

Single Room:

Double Room:

Share with:

Car drivers send stamped, self-addressed envelope for House Tour Ticket and Map.



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TOUR PROGRAM 1987 - continued

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II.	Saturday, Augus	t 8, 1987 - D	ay Tour to	BRIDGEWATER	and LEHA	VE.		
		Bus leaves Lord Nelson at 8.30 a.m., Dartmouth Shopping Plaza at 8.45 a.m.						
	Visit DeBrisay Museum, view Hagan Pottery Collection, local Churches, two private houses, LeHave Museum, Risser's Beach etc.							
	Registra	tion Fee -	\$5.00 e	each				
	Bus By car		\$15.50 no charg					
	Church S	Supper -	\$7.50	each				
	Make cheque payable to Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia and mail to office, 1579 Dresden Row, Halifax, B3J 2K4.							
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Deadline: AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

III. ANNE OF THE ISLAND WEEKEND - Mid-September weekend to Charlottetown,

Prince Edward Island to see Anne of Green Gables at the Arts
Centre and local points of interest.

Details to follow.

IV. October 10-12, 1987 - LOYALIST THANKSGIVING TOUR TO KINGS LANDING,
New Brunswick with old-fashioned Thanksgiving Dinner.

Details to follow.

RESERVE EARLY TO SECURE SPACE ON THE BUS!

HERITAGE TRUST ANNUAL REPORTS -- 1987

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

My first wish is to thank all members of the Heritage Trust for their interest in the various aspects of our activities. Without membership interest and active support, the Trust could not function. I want particularly to thank the hard-working members of the Executive and the Board, and the Committee chairmen and their committees. All have given much time and skill to the Trust. You will read of their activities in the individual reports. Audrey Crawford our Executive Secretary, has given freely of her time and ever-increasing expertise to the running of the office, and to the entire organization. She has been especially helpful to me, as a new President, and has made my task much easier and more enjoyable.

We are, unfortunately, losing our Secretary, Edith Clare to whom we all owe thanks for her faithful and conscientious fulfillment of her duties. Pamela Collins is stepping aside as Program Chairman. Over the years Pamela has given us many entertaining and informative programs and tours. The interest of many members is sustained by the programs she has provided, which bind together groups within the Trust who have diverse interests and might not otherwise be involved with our activities. She has been a key person in the organization for years and has contributed enormously to our well-being. Pamela received the Dr. Phyllis R. Blakeley Award for Lifetime Achievement in the Heritage field. This was given by the Federation of Nova Scotia Heritage at their Annual Dinner in 1986. Lew Billard, Joan Harrison, Ralph Pepper and Don Crowdis are retiring Board members, and I should like to thank them for their contributions while they were on the Board.

The Heritage Trust has had an interesting and sometimes overly exciting year. The former refers to extension of our contacts with groups and areas outside Halifax, and the latter to the meetings and decisions involved in the handling of the Macdonald property in Windsor.

The Trust has, during the year, been asked to advise or to support various groups in the Province. I am particularly pleased at this since our title is the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia, and these opportunities help us to fulfill our mandate. We have been asked to support requests for the designation of the Annapolis River as a Canadian Heritage River; for the Designation of the DeWolf House in Liverpool as a Provincial Heritage Property; and we have brought the Rundle House of Stellarton to the attention of the Nova Scotia Museum and to the Heritage Office, Department of Culture, Recreation and Fitness. We had the pleasure of visiting the Université Ste. Anne at Church Point on one of our

summer tours, and were later able to make a grant to the Societé Historique Acadienne de la Baie Sainte-Marie to aid in restoration work as a memorial to Fr. Sigogne.

The Trust has supported in principle Dr. Frank Eppell's proposals to institute a Master's Degree for architects in conservation and restoration architecture, and in heritage legislation to be offered at the Technical University of Nova Scotia. There would also be lectures for the general public. This seems like a valuable contribution to heritage serving to train architects, a key group in preservation, and to inform the public whose support and interest are crucial to our success in the preservation of our built heritage.

A different approach to promoting public interest in heritage buildings was made by Musique Royale, a group of classically-trained musicians, several from Nova Scotia, who put on a series of concerts during the summer in several towns of Nova Scotia All concerts were presented in heritage buildings, thus giving the public a pleasant experience which will be associated with these buildings. The Trust sponsored the introductory concert held in the Red Chamber of Province House in Halifax.

We were able to give financial support to a sisterorganization, the Federation of Nova Scotia Heritage, which suffered drastic cuts in their funding. They serve a very useful training and networking function among heritage and museum groups in the Province.

A project which has taken up a great deal of time and effort is the attempt to find a successful use for the Macdonald property in Windsor which was left to the Trust in 1976. A committee in Windsor, the "Friends of Richmond Hill Farm" chaired by Mrs. Veronica Connelly, President of the West Hants Historical Society, has been very helpful in caring for the house during the period when it was empty, renting it, and collecting and presenting two proposals for the use of the property. You have received the details of the initial proposals by Professor Frank Eppells and TUNS, and by Penelope and Colin Taylor of Windsor. Dr. Fred Matthews deserves our thanks for acting as liaison between the Trust and the Windsor group. He has put a great deal of time and effort into this duty. It is my sincere hope that a satisfactory solution to the ultimate use of this property can be reached in the near future.

It is gratifying to see interest in heritage expanding each year, with new groups being formed to deal with problems as they arise. It is exciting to be able to take part in some of the various activities associated with the preservation of our heritage, whether it be built, natural or cultural. I hope that this trend can continue and that we may truly be the Heritage Trust of Nova Scotia.

Lucille Stewart

6 Report: January 1, 1987.

Balance of all accounts Jan 1,1986 7679.13

48500.27 Deposits Expenditures 38207.34

10292.93 17972.06 (Dec 31,1986)

17972.06 (Dec 31,1986) Balance

Investments 144538.98 Central Trust 30 days 7.5%

140834.52 NS Savings. 30 days 8.0%

Total assets: Land: 60000 Buildings: 151984

Book inventory: 28622 Investments: 285373.5 17972.06 Accounts:

543951.56 Total:

Revenue Expenditure Projects 5111.35 2296.81 1961.00 Program 996.67 40.00 Books 12481.61 1076.85 Office MacDonald 5871.58 11860.13 2750.60 2220.07 Tours 1641.21 Newsletter 911.00 3100.00 Donation 5210.00 Membership 5210.00 24000.00 Donations 45.19 1175.68 2338.31 Misc.

At the time of this report there were accounts not under the direct control of the treasurer. These were used for expenses connected with the MacDonald House and office expenses. Totals of expenditures are reflected in the above but not the day to day details of these accounts. Action has been taken to bring these accounts under closer control.

The main revenue in connection with the MacDonald House was \$4519.52 in rent. In connection with the office account \$5051.66 was spent through that account. About \$4100 of this was salary and salary expense related. Communications expenses accounted for another \$900 dollars.

These accounts do not reflect any monies from the Colpits' Estate as they were not under the control of the trust during the fiscal year. However this bequest amounted to a book value of \$64209.28 of which about \$30000 was in high quality shares and securities and the remainder in government bonds or bonds and certificates issued by bank and trust companies.

John MacLeod - Treasurer

PROJECT COMMITTEE REPORT

During this term the Project Committee embarked on a public awareness programme to encourage the homeowners in proper restoration or renovation methods. As a first phase, an exhibit was created to identify Georgian and Victorian styles and some of the right and wrong ways to repair doors, dormers, porches, etc.
The easily portable "Heritage Starts at Home" exhibit consists of three large-scale panels and is currently on display at three local shopping malls (i.e., Scotia Square, Penhorn and Sunnyside). The Committee hopes to follow the exhibit with a series of informative articles on the same theme.

Recently the Committee applied for funding under the Provincial Employment Program to hire researchers for three 13-week summer projects. The projects are:

- to identify conservation areas;
- 2) to study the use of sites which may contain significant archaeological artifacts; and
- 3) to continue researching the historical and architectural importance of pre-1914 buildings.

The information gained from these projects is to be shared with the City of Halifax, the provincial Heritage Unit and the Nova Scotia Museum. The provincial government approved funding for one researcher to carry out work on any one of the projects or a combination of the projects. Work is scheduled to begin on May 25, 1987.

I would like to thank the committee members for their co-operation, creative work and enthusiasm.

Respectfully submitted
Elizabeth Pacey
Projects Committee - '
Chairman

PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

We have been working towards two new publications: Seasoned Timbers, Vol.III, and an updating of Founded Upon A Rock.

Committee members have met twice in Truro at the Colchester Historical Museum with staff from that Museum and from Cumberland Historical Museum and with other individuals interested in historical buildings. It was decided that the area to be covered in <u>Seasoned Timbers</u>, <u>Vol.III</u>, would include Cumberland, Colchester and East Hants Counties, and the Musquodoboit Valley. We hope to feature buildings of historical and architectural significance. Exteriors and Interiors of these buildings will be shown.

The new publication of <u>Founded Upon a Rock</u> will include buildings in Halifax, Dartmouth and Bedford. Several locations and/or buildings not in its first book have been suggested. We feel that it would be appropriate to dedicate this book in Phyllis Blakeley's memory.

Several committee members were pleased to prepare 20 questions re: each of several of our Halifax Trust books considered to be suitable by Pam Collins. These questions were asked on radio stations in conjunction with Heritage Day.

My sincere thanks to the members of the Committee: Shirley Elliott, Karen Smith, John MacLeod, Philip Hartling, Pauline Hildesheim, Prof. M. Brook Taylor, Arthur Carter and Ellen Webster for their interest and work on behalf of publications for Heritage Trust. As well, Fred Matthews, Margaret Martin and Gary Shutlak have served on the subcommittee for Founded Upon a Rock.

Respectfully submitted Margaret Ross - Chairman Publication Committee.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE REPORT

I wish to thank Joyce McCulloch, Hilary Grant, Betty Mitchell, Margaret Parke and Ida Zifkin, members of the Program Committee, for their assistance in planning the monthly meetings, refreshments and tours for the 1986-7 season. The ten regular monthly meetings included:

- -Sept. 11 1986 Allan Duffus, Architect re: The Macdonald House, Windsor
- -Sept. 18 Pamela Collins chaired a Special General Meeting on the sale of the Macdonald House and Property; a membership vote was taken to assist in the decisions to be made regarding the future of this property.

-Oct. 16 - Marie Elwood, History Curator at N.S.M. - on Recent Additions to the Museum collections.

-Nov. 20 - Gemey Kelly of Dalhousie Art Gallery - on Sketchbooks and Letters of Arthur Lismer, principal of the Victoria School of Art and Design, 1916-1919.

-Dec. 18 - Hilary and Miles Grant - Britain and Wales revisited and Church Rubbings.

-Jan.18, 1987 - Mary Martha and Robin Creighton - on Art Handcrafts and Silk Manufacturing in China Today.

- -Feb. 19 Prof. Paul Erickson of St.Mary's University Archaeological Dept., on Digging Up the North End, anarchaeological project in Halifax.
- -Mar. 19 Tim Randall presented a photo essay on Blomidon. -April 16 Prof. Nina Konczacki, Mt.St. Vincent Dept.

of History , on Plantation Houses in America. -May 21 - Clary Croft on The Paisley Shawl.

In October '86, the Trust took a day tour to the Windsor and Wolfville areas and in October paid a visit to several local sites of historical interest - Fort Needham Bell Tower, the Memorial Tower in Fleming Park, York Redoubt and the Greek Orthodox Church at Purcell's Cove.

The Heritage Trust Annual Dinner was held on Saturday, November 15, in the Bluenose Room, at Chateau Halifax. Entertainment was provided by Whitley and DeWolf.

To celebrate Heritage Day on February 16, Howard Donahue of the Dept. of Mines and Energy, led a morning walking tour of Downtown Halifax from the Grand Parade and ending at Historic Properties for a Chowder Lunch.

During the Halifax visit of the Hon. Desmond Guinness of the Irish Georgian Society, Heritage Trust presented a public lecture on Irish Houses and Castles, on March 16, in TUNS School of Architecture. The evening concluded with a Reception to honour Dr. Guinness and guests, at the Cambridge Military Library.

To close the Trust's activities for the year, the Annual General Meeting was held on June 25, postponed from June 18, at the regular third Thursday time.

I would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks to the N.S. Museum for allowing us to hold our meetings there and to our secretary Audrey Crawford for getting the monthly public service announcements out, and to local radio, television and newspapers.

Respectfully submitted

Pamela Collins - Chairman

Program Committee



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

As at May 1, 1987:

Paid-up Membership	418
Life Membership	21
Honourary Members	7
Halifax City Aldermen	13
Dartmouth City Aldermen	15

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Respectfully submitted Elizabeth E. Shatford Membership Chairman

HERITAGE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

REPORT

Last year, I requested brochures or catalogues from forty companies which have some connection with restoration, renovation, or decorating supplies. I received replies from twenty-two businesses. The products include paint colours, wooden columns, fretwork and mouldings for Victorian houses, interior lighting fixtures and exterior light posts, reproduction furniture, nails and curtains. These brochures and catalogues have been numbered and are kept in the Heritage Trust Collection (MG 30, Series "V", Volume 1, #1-61) at the Public Archives of Nova Scotia, 6016 University Avenue, Halifax. The list was printed in the March 1987 issue of The Griffin.

The publications lists by the National Trust, England, and the National Trust for Scotland were obtained. Scotland also enclosed a number of brochures on historic properties and the pamphlet Conserve and Provide: a brief history of the National Trust for Scotland. These items are in the Heritage Trust collection MG 30, Series "T", Volume 2, #24-32.)

Throughout the year, I constantly added material to the Heritage Trust collection. The material included minutes of the Executive and Board's meetings, The Griffin, and miscellaneous pamphlets and brochures.

Respectfully submitted

Philip L. Hartling - Chairman
Heritage Resources Committee

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Nominating committee, consisting of Karen Smith, Douglas Price, Pat Langmaid and Fred Matthews, put forward the following nominations for Officers of the Heritage Trust:

Secretary Pauline Hildesheim Program Chairman Joyce McCulloch Board Member Retiring 1988 . Jon Murray Board Members Retiring 1990 . Douglas Price Benton Haliburton Carmen Carroll Donald Patten Patricia Cunningham Desmond Piers

Respectfully submitted
Fred Matthews - Chairman
Nominating Committee

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE REPORT.

Issues of the Griffin published this year were as follows: June 1986, Vol.11, No.2., which contained the 1985/ 1986 annual reports of the Trust and its committees;

September 1986, Vol. 11, No.3. November, 1986, Vol. 11, No.4. March, 1987, Vol. 12, No.1.

A June 1987 issue is planned which will contain the annual reports of the Trust and its committees for 1986/1987.

The Newsletter Committee greatly appreciates the help of Trust members who have contributed news items and articles to the Griffin, and it appeals to all members to continue to aid the Newsletter Committee's mandate by sending in accounts of local heritage activities anywhere in the Province.

We thank the Nova Scotia Museum for its generous assistance in printing all issues of the Griffin so attractively, and Audrey Crawford, Executive Secretary, who has helped in many ways.

As Chairman I would like to thank my committee members who have worked so enthusiastically to produce our newsletter: Doris Butters who again typed all material in camera-ready copy for printing, and Lucille Stewart who continued to work for the Griffin despite her heavy responsibilities as President of the Heritage Trust.

Respectfully submitted
Maud Godfrey
Newsletter Committee Chairman.



DR. PHYLLIS R. BLAKELEY MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE REPORT

A Committee to establish a fund to honour the memory of Dr. Phyllis R. Blakeley was appointed at the meeting of the Board of Heritage Trust held on November 1, 1986.

The Committee: Betty Pacey, John MacLeod and Maud Godfrey has held two meetings at the Public Archives of Nova Scotia, attended also by Lucille Stewart, President of the Trust. The second meeting was attended by Mrs. Wendy Duff, Archives Librarian and Mr. Carman Carroll, Provincial Archivist.

The Committee proposed that Heritage Trust establish a fund to be named the Dr. Phyllis R. Blakeley Memorial Fund and invite contributions from individuals and organizations wishing to honour Dr. Blakeley's memory, the money to be invested in a separate special account the interest from which would be used to purchase annually for the Public Archives of Nova Scotia research materials in line with Dr. Blakeley's known interests, which could not be afforded within the Archives' regular budget.

The creation of this Fund was announced in the November 1986 issue of the Griffin. The President wrote a letter regarding the Fund which was sent to heritage and historical associations within Nova Scotia. Mr. Carroll suggested that because of the deep respect with which Dr. Blakeley's work was regarded throughout Canada that the Archives would like to advise Canadian Archival Associations of the Fund. The Committee welcomed this proposal. A brief acknowledgement was written to be sent to contributors with their tax deductible receipts.

The Committee suggested ideas for a suitable bookplate to identify materials purchased by the Fund and this was forwarded to Dr. Robert Dawson who had agreed to design a bookplate. The Board of Heritage Trust agreed to pay the cost of printing the bookplate.

Response to the creation of the Fund has been very gratifying. Many contributions have been accompanied by expressions of appreciation of Dr. Blakeley's outstanding contributions to historical scholarship, her unique personality, and her generous encouragement of all work related to the history of her beloved province.

Respectfully submitted
Maud Godfrey - Chairman

MUSIQUE ROYALE - 1987 A Treasury of Music from Our Historic Past.

The August 1987 season promises to be even more exciting than last year. Four outstanding new groups will perform in heritage settings, commencing on Monday, August 3, in St. George's Round Church, 2222 Brunswick Street, Halifax.

The schedule throughout August is as follows:

MONDAYS - St. Georges Round Ch., Halifax.

TUESDAYS - Old Holy Trinity, Middleton.

WEDNESDAYS - Trinity Church, Liverpool.

THURSDAYS - St. Andrews Presby'n, Pictou
and in Mulgrave

FRIDAYS - Cape Breton - St. Georges
Anglican Church, Sydney., and
on Port Hood Island.

Ensemble Musique Royale, the Garden of Eloquence and Tafelmusik Soloists are among the groups of international calibre which will take part, with musicians from Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario and Europe.

A Ballad Opera will complete the monthlong musical feast of period music in historic buildings across the Province. Many Trust members enjoyed the 1986 concert series - your continued support will ensure that Musique Royale continues this fine series.

As details are finalised they will be published in the news media.



COLE HARBOUR HISTORICAL SOCIETY -

<u>June 6</u> - in celebration of ENVIRONMENT WEEK @ Cole Harbour Farm - Slide Show, Walk and Lunch to introduce people to the local environmentally-sensitive dyke area.

<u>June 25</u> - from 4.30 to 7 pm - FISH FEST in the Big Barn - a variety of fish dishes topped off with homemade pies.

<u>August 9 - 8 pm - in the Big Barn - a SETTLERS' SUPPER</u>, with entertainment - an enacting of episodes from local history.

For further information on any of these events, call Cole Harbour Farm Museum - 434-0222, or Rosemary Eaton - 434-1654.

ANNAPOLIS ROYAL -- SUMMER 1987

June 13	Art and Antique Auction pictures, crafts and small collectibles will be sold
July 1	Canada Day holiday
July 4	Historic House Tour 8 homes and buildings will be opened to the public
July 5	Arts Council Strawberry Tea a garden party over looking the Annapolis Basin
July 9, 10	Atlantic Windsurfing Championships
July 24 to 26	Annapolis Royal Recreation Weekend tennis, swimming, running, sail-boarding, games and sporting events for all ages
July 31, & August 1 to 3	Natal Day weekend Craft and Antique Market will draw collectors from around the province. Military sunset ceremonies at Fort Anne National Park colourful Natal Day Parade
August 5	Historical Association will have a supper meeting at Port Royal Habitation
August 7	Flower Show by Champlain Garden Club
August 15	Festival of the Forts will entertain the International Gathering of the Clanswith a re-inactment of the Landing of the Scots at Port Royal in 1629 followed by dinner and
	a Ceildidh in King's Theatre
August 29	Charter weekend when the King James Charter which granted Nova Scotia to the Scots will
	be unveiled a festival of Scottish and street dancing, bands, fireworks, garden parties and theatre performances
Sept. 5	Annual Heritage Foundation Auction
Sept. 25 to 28	Arts Festival Weekend festivities around art demomstrations, readings by famous authors, costume Arts Ball, hot air ballooning

The award winning Historic Gardens, intresting Museums will be open to welcome visitors. The town and area offer comfortable accommodation at reasonable rates. You will relax and enjoy a visit to Annapolis Royal. For further information call the Annapolis Royal Board of Trade information centre at 532-5769.

