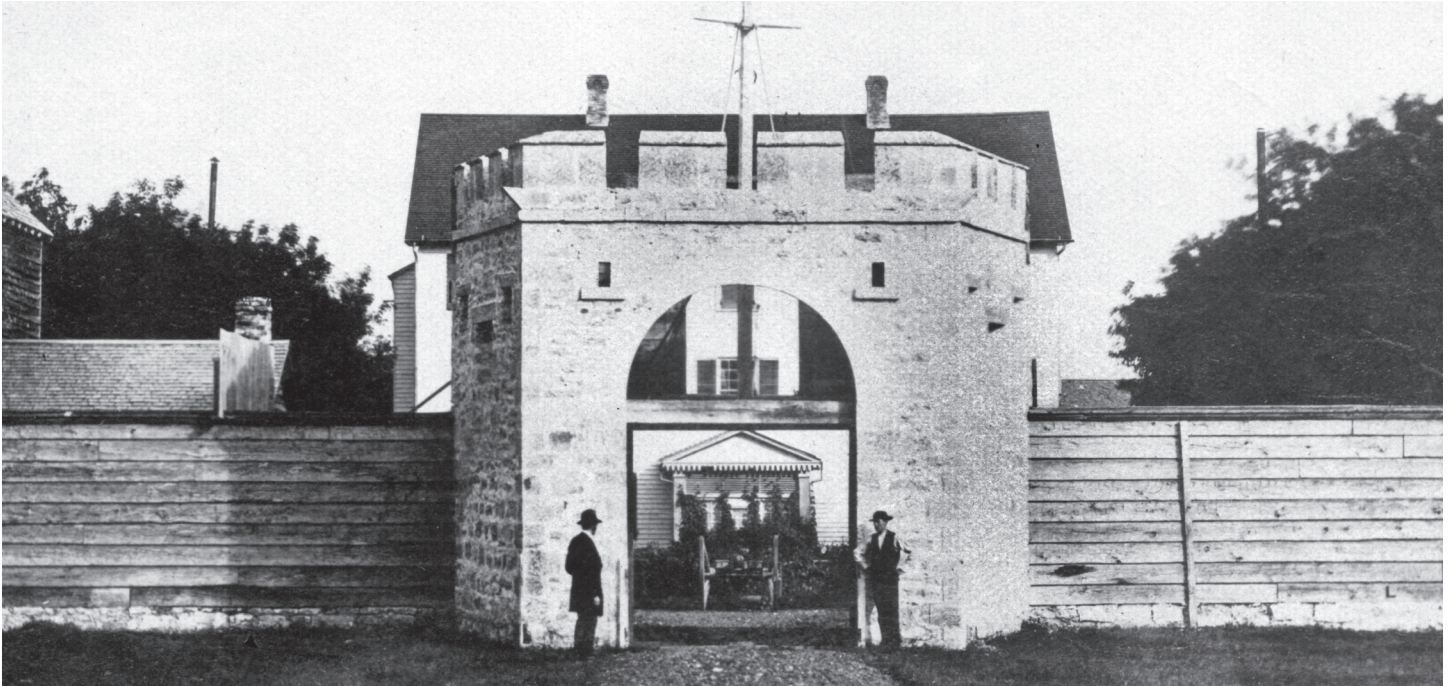




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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Heritage Winnipeg continues its balancing act as it relates to the work that it does to preserve Winnipeg's built heritage. One initiative or approach is not enough. It takes a variety of approaches, messages and a high degree of flexibility and innovation to achieve the objectives of the organization. In addition, due to limited grants from the City of Winnipeg and from the Province of Manitoba, Heritage Winnipeg must expend considerable time and effort to raise the funds necessary to keep its doors open.

The volunteer board of directors does what it can to assist but the bulk of the effort falls to one person, Executive Director, Cindy Tugwell. Just one person but she accomplishes much and we appreciate and benefit from her expertise and from the knowledge that she has accumulated over the years. As directors, we contribute by assisting with special projects, by fundraising, by consulting and assessing on matters related to advocacy and by helping to educate and inform children and adults about our local history and the stories that buildings can tell. Thank you to all who give of their time and expertise, you are making a difference. Also, we extend a huge thank you to all of you who contribute from your wallets. Since we must raise approximately \$100,000 a year, we could not continue without the donations that you make to Heritage Winnipeg.

Currently, as always, there are several projects underway. Some are pro-active initiatives that will make a major contribution in the future, others are focused on educating and informing children and adults so the value of our built heritage is understood and protected and of course, there is always, the ever needed advocacy effort to protect our city's wonderful architectural collection.

A collection that now includes the modernist buildings of the 1960s as well as those from 1900 to 1920.

It was certainly a pleasure to be part of the presentation of the Heritage Awards on National Heritage Day. Congratulations to all winners, you are most deserving. Your leadership will encourage others to preserve and reuse existing buildings and we will all benefit. Thank you to those who chose to spend part of their new Louis Riel holiday day with us.

At this writing, The Friends of Upper Fort Garry are in the final stretch to secure the site of Upper Fort Garry (100 Main Street). People have been very generous and it is most gratifying to sell the swell of support that has materialized. There is still much to be done— securing the support of two senior levels of government at levels that meet the requirements set out by the City and completing the private sector fundraising portion to achieve the 3.5 million target. A daunting task from the beginning but one that the Friends felt they must try to address as this is our last chance to protect, for future generations, the birthplace of our province. Leadership is trying even though the task is formidable.



Executive Director's Message

The Heritage Canada Conference this past October in Edmonton was very interesting and informative. We again held our Built Heritage Networking session with representatives from around the Country. As Manitoba Governor on the Board of Directors we discussed the National Trust Issue and the various programs and projects we are continuing to facilitate.

“FRIENDS OF UPPER FORT GARRY” *Update*



An exciting time in the City of Winnipeg’s history. Citizens are expressing their concern regarding the future of the site where Upper Fort Garry stood. This historic landmark has moved many locals to send in funds, write letters and offer their support. The Friends group have received immense attention from Winnipeg Free Press writer Gordon Sinclair. He has referred Upper Fort Garry as” Winnipeg’s Alamo.” As a result, people have been moved into action by his words of condemnation at the city’s lack of interest, and perceived betrayal. Various media sources have been conducting interviews speaking to Dr. Jerry Gray, chair of the Friends of Upper Fort Garry. CJOB broadcasted from the site on the morning of February 28th interviewing people with an invested interest in this historic location.

During the program, educators stressed the significance of the site and its integral part of Canadian history. A member of the Métis community expressed their concern for its future and indicated its significance to their history and Louis Riel. St. Boniface Museum additionally offered their support adding that the two points of intersecting history should be maintained. And finally, members of the tourism sector expressed their belief in this site’s potential as a hotspot for generating tourism dollars.



UPPER FORT GARRY HERITAGE PARK and INTERPRETIVE CENTRE
Master Plan



IN MEMORIAM

Harold Buchwald



Jeanne Perreault

Jeanne Perreault's life is made up of enough careers to fill half a dozen lives. Her determination to fulfill her many pursuits never faltered even to the end of her 89 years. My first contact with Jeanne occurred in the mid 1970's when she was a school trustee. St. Norbert was in need of additional school facilities. Creating an all French school was a dream of Jeanne's and with her usual determination, that is what happened. About that time a developer wanted to take over the property owned by the Oblate Fathers for a housing development. A majestic building that had stood on the property since the early 1900s was to be torn down. In a gesture of conciliation, the developer offered to place the belfry on a stand at the entrance. Enough opposition was generated that the developer withdrew. Subsequently the property was sold to an organization for a substance abuse treatment facility. Not long after another character building – a former bank – disappeared virtually overnight. That was enough. Jeanne, Jim Cameron and I formed Heritage St. Norbert with the objective of protecting the unique heritage and culture of St. Norbert. Jeanne has been president of that organization and provided active leadership throughout its 28 years of existence. He presided over its most recent meeting in March three weeks before her death. The agenda included a cairn commemorating the lives of over 1100 early settlers (mostly Metis) in the St. Norbert area, maintenance of the Trappiste Monastery ruins, potential archeological study and establishing a bursary at College Universitaire de St. Boniface for students. All of these projects will be carried on with the same kind of determination Jeanne has demonstrated.

Heritage Winnipeg recognizes the many wonderful contributions Jeanne has made toward the preservation of heritage in this city and has made her an honorary board member of Heritage Winnipeg

Louis Riel Day and Heritage Day

Since 1985, Heritage Winnipeg has sponsored an annual awards program that seeks to recognize those people who are dedicated to the protection, restoration and conservation of Winnipeg's built heritage.

On 18 February Winnipeg celebrated its first Louis Riel Day and along with National Heritage Day; what a better way to celebrate than to attend the 23rd Preservation Awards. Hosted at the former Dominion Bank Building by recipient, Wins Bridgman owner of Bridgman Collaborative Architecture Ltd.

After formal presentations were completed, guests had the opportunity to take in a tour of the building offered by Mr. Wins Bridgman. In addition a presentation was done by Mr. Gordon Goldsborough, past president of the MHS on the new online Heritage Forum.

The event was well attended with over 120 people, which offered an exciting experience on our first February long weekend.

Please see next page for all the award recipients



Wins Bridgman



Gordon Goldsborough



Wins Bridgman and Penny McMillan



The 2008 APA Recipients:

Conservation: Institutional

University of Manitoba &
LM Architectural Group
for the John A. Russell Building;



University of Manitoba & Stantec Architecture
for the Engineering One building;

University of Winnipeg & Corbett
Cibinel Architecture
for Convocation Hall in Wesley Hall;



Province of Manitoba & Bridgman
Collaborative Architecture Ltd.
for the ramp at the Legislative Building

Conservation: Commercial

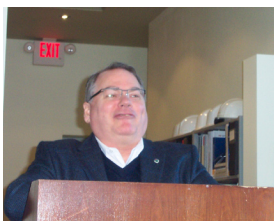
Manitoba Blue Cross & Stantec Architecture
for the Manitoba Blue Cross building;



Bridgman Collaborative Architecture Ltd.
for the former Dominion Bank building.

Distinguished Service Award

David McDowell for
Ian Tizzard, Winnipeg Free Press writer
Sandy Siepman, Heritage Consultant





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The 5th annual doors open was held on the weekend of May 24th and 25th was a great success. This years event was one of the most exciting yet with over 50 buildings on the roster and a variety of organizations, volunteers and businesses interested, becoming a main stage summer event citizens can take pride in. Some of the new buildings showcased this year in addition to Government House were; the Bank of Montreal, Ukranian Labour Temple, Police Museum, Chocolate Shop, Pantages Theatre and Centennial Concert Hall to name a few.



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School Banner Project 2008



Again this year, Daniel McIntyre students in partnership with The University of Winnipeg Faculty of Education students completed three new banners. The buildings chosen this year were the Bank of Montreal, Ukrainian Labour Temple on Pritchard and the Ralph Connor House in Armstrong's Point. Thank you to everyone who participated in the project this year. we were proud to display the banners at each building during the doors open weekend.

Bank of Montreal
"Founded 1817, Incorporated by Act of Parliament. Established in Winnipeg 1877. This Building Erected 1913."

1904: Bank of Montreal opens big new tower.
1910: value of the gold held over \$1,200,000 (Canadian)
1915: Winnipeg General Strike takes place on the intersection of Portage and Main
1915: reconstruction's expenditure is \$2,400,000 to restore the building to its 1913 form
1915: time capsule is buried
1913: building was erected

Created by: Joceline Marano, Joseph Froyd, Casey Lacop, Russell Lopina, Meagan Muramatsu

WORKERS OF THE WORLD UNITE
"You have nothing to lose but your chains..."
- Karl Marx

1904: Workers' Union
1910: Western Labor News
1915: Women's Movement
1915: J.S. Woodsworth
1915: African American Migration
1915: Midge Sulejewska
1915: W.B. Russell

Created by: Joceline Marano, Joseph Froyd, Casey Lacop, Russell Lopina, Meagan Muramatsu

Ralph Connor House
54 West Gate

CHARLES WILLIAM GORDON "RALPH CONNOR"
AUTHOR OF "THE MAN FROM GLENGARRY," "THE SKY PILOT" AND OTHER NOVELS OF CANADIAN LIFE
BORN AT INDIAN LAKE IN GLENGARRY 19th SEPTEMBER, 1866
DIED IN WINNIPEG, 10th OCTOBER, 1937

Created by: Joceline Marano, Joseph Froyd, Casey Lacop, Russell Lopina, Meagan Muramatsu



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Manitoba Day



Queenston School



Heritage Luncheon



Advocacy Updates

The Albert Block

Ken Zafman, owner of the St. Charles Hotel, again solicited permission from City Hall to level the Albert Street Business Block. He would like to construct a restaurant, patio and parking lot on the north side of the

hotel thereby replacing 38 Albert St. This will be his second attempt to knock down the 3,000 –square-foot, two-storey, 131 year old building.

In 2007, city councillors decided against placing another surface parking lot in the historically designated area, as per Heritage Winnipeg's position

Regardless of the alterations to his original proposal, the new plan has already been met with resistance from Fort Rouge councillor, Jenny Gerbasi, chair of the Historic Buildings Committee. Additionally, Darren Jorgensen, owner of the Vault Spa and located on Albert St. near the sensitive location, said he offered to invest funds into the derelict 1877 building and convert it into a coffee shop and tourism centre for the Exchange District.

Ryan Building on King Street

CentreVenture Development Corporation intervened successfully and will be overseeing a re-development plan which will save the East and North facades and it will become a 147 stall parkade.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

This church has stood in Osborne Village since 1910 and is another fine example of Beaux-Arts classical style made popular during the early 20th century. Currently, the future of this building is sketchy at best as the current owners have requested a demolition order. Ben Haber, co-owner of the former church, described the building has having mould and asbestos issues that would cost over \$700,000.00 to remediate. The Standing Committee on Property and Development was to be hearing the delegations on Wednesday, March 25th but it was removed from the agenda, Heritage Winnipeg supports the Historical Building's Committee's recommendations to designate therefore protecting it from demolition.

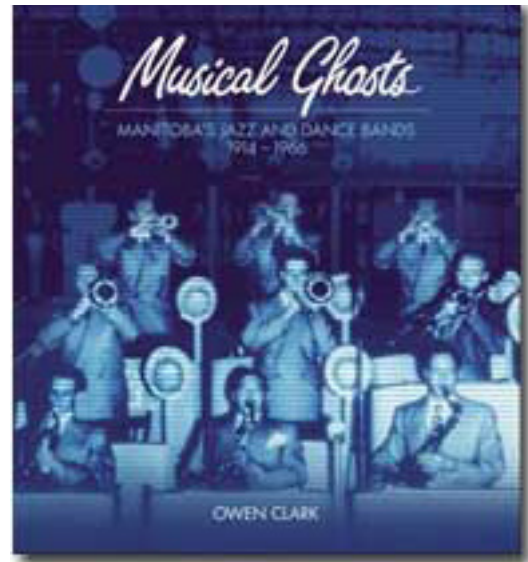
Heritage AGM - June 25th

The AGM will be held on Wednesday June 25th, 7:00 pm at the Ralph Connor House - 54 West Gate with Guest Speaker Owen Clark:

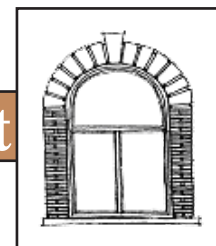
Owen Clark B.Mus. Ed., L. Dip. (Perf.), M. Sc. Ed. Owen is a drummer, vocalist, percussionist, bass player, composer, historian, author and radio announcer. He graduated from McGill University in 1971 and from Moorhead State University in 1974.

Currently he performs with the Owen Clark Band, the Owen Clark Big Band and the Owen Clark Jazz Group. He also freelances with many bands, singers and performing groups in the Winnipeg area.

He has recently released a book entitled, "Musical Ghosts, Manitoba's Jazz and Dance Bands, 1914-1966."



YCW - Summer Student



Allow me to Introduce Myself.....

My name is Devin Clark and I'm interested in the history of cities. I've recently completed the first year of a two year Masters of City Planning Program at the University of Manitoba. My interests lie in merging the future with the past by developing sustainable neighbourhoods that preserve the historical integrity of cities. These are the places which make cities unique and desirable places to be and I want to see them maintained in a sustainable way for years to come.



Aside from planning I love the summer. So I'm glad it's here. I'm currently playing in a spring hockey league, as well as ultimate frisbee. I also love golf and am decent. So if anyone is looking for a fourth for tournaments, don't hesitate to look me up..... :)





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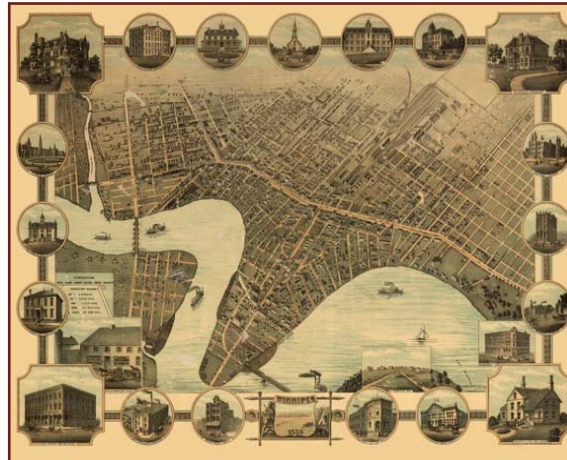
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